



**Village of Belledune
Regular Council Meeting
April 18, 2024**

Time: 7:00 PM
Place: Belledune Council Chambers
Mayor, Paul Arseneault
Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael
Present: Councillor, Cynthia Robinson
Councillor, Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell
Councillor, Ron Bourque
Absent: Councillor, Kristie Carrier
Late:
Staff Present: Chief Administrative Officer, Landon Lee
Clerk Treasurer, Angela Culligan
Staff Absent:
Staff Late:

Call to Order & Welcome

- Acknowledgement of "Treaties of Peace and Friendship"
- Reaffirm Oath of Office
- Moment of Reflection

Adopt Agenda

M 2024/04/18-34

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Agenda be Adopted as Presented, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Statements of Conflict of Interest

Adoption of Minutes

M 2024/04/18-35

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Minutes of the Committee of Whole Council Meeting of March 4, 2024 and the Regular Meeting of March 18, 2024 be adopted as presented, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Business Arising from Minutes

Presentations / Petitions / Delegations

- Presentation by Joan Parker
- Presentation by Debbie Blake

Statements by Member of Council

Mayor, Arseneault

Councillor, Bourque

- Report on UMN Conference

Councillor Ron Bourque read the report that he submitted to council. Mayor Arseneault touched on the NB Power component of Councillor Bourque's report, indicating that while the Premier was very sure there would be a hard-stop of coal burning at the facility for 2030, there were other Ministers that were confident there was a solution or other options for the Belledune facility. Paul would like for council to be pro-active in communicating with NB Power over the long-term plans of the facility.

Councillor, Carmichael

Councillor, Carrier

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell

- Follow Up Discussion on Communities in Bloom, Discussion on Community Garden

Councillor Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell provided an update to council, informing them the municipality could not participate in the program for various reasons, but instead will be focusing on a Belledune Blossoms program during Belledune Days. As well, there was interest from the community for a community garden. Marilyn is asking for residents who are interested in participating in the community garden to reach out to her directly or call the municipal office.

Councillor, Robinson

Administration Reports

Chief Administrative Officer, Landon Lee

- Social and Environmental Grant Report

M 2024/04/18-036

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Social and Environmental Report for April 2024 be accepted as presented and recommendations approved; \$250 to the Bathurst Area Milk Fund., seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Treasurer, Angela Culligan

- Financial Reports

M 2024/04/18-037

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Financial Report be accepted as presented and the Accounts Payable be paid, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

By-laws and Policies

Motions and Resolutions

- Rural Plan Review Technical Committee Mandate

M 2024/04/18-38

Lilliane Carmichael moved that Council adopts the mandate of the Rural Plan Review Technical Committee as proposed by the Chaleur Regional Service Commission, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

- Council Vacancy

M 2024/04/18-39

Ron Bourque moved WHEREAS Councillor Kristie Carrier has indicated her resignation

BE IT RESOLVED that Council declare the seat previously occupied by Kristie Carrier vacant, and that the municipal Clerk inform the Provincial Municipal Electoral Officer of this status , seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

General Correspondence

- Correspondence List & Documents

Closed Session

Council went to closed session at 7:42pm. Council returned to open session at 8:15pm.

- Port Appointment

M 2024/04/18-40

Lilliane Carmichael moved BE IT RESOLVED that council continue its meeting in a closed session to discuss a matter under the *Local Governance Act 68(1)(b)* personal information as defined in the *Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act*,

AND 68(1)(c) information that could cause financial loss or gain to a person or the local government or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract,

AND 68 (1)(f) information concerning legal opinions or advice provided to the local government by its solicitor or privileged communications between solicitor and client in a matter of local government business, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

M 2024/04/18-41

Ron Bourque moved that Andy Flanagan be appointed as Municipal Board Representative on the Belledune Port Authority for a three (3) year term effective May 1, 2024 , seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED

Against: Cynthia Robinson

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael	x		
Cynthia Robinson		x	
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell	x		
Ron Bourque	x		
	3	1	0

- NB Power Contribution

M 2024/04/18-42

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved that Council approves the contribution to NB Power for up to \$8,201.80 (HST Included) for the infrastructure, equipment, materials and labour required to provide power on Smearer Road, seconded by Cynthia Robinson. MOTION CARRIED

Against: Ron Bourque

	For	Against	COI
Lilliane Carmichael	x		
Cynthia Robinson	x		
Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell	x		
Ron Bourque		x	
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Adjournment

M 2024/04/18-43

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the meeting adjourn at 8:20pm, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk Treasurer