



**Village of Belledune  
Committee of Whole Council Meeting  
January 23, 2023**

**Time:** 6:00 PM  
**Place:** Belledune Council Chambers  
Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael  
Councillor, Cynthia Robinson  
**Present:** Councillor, Kristie Carrier  
Councillor, Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell  
Councillor, Ron Bourque  
**Absent:** Mayor, Paul Arseneault  
**Late:**  
**Staff Present:** Clerk - Treasurer, Brenda Cormier  
Administrative Assistant, Nicole Carrier  
**Staff Absent:**  
**Staff Late:**

**Call to Order & Welcome**

Deputy Mayor, Bourque called the meeting to order. Advised that the Mayor is unable to attend.

**Presentations / Petitions / Delegations**

- Belledune ATV Trails
  - • Tim Collin - Belledune Resident, ATV enthusiast
  - Quad NB, Mr. Jacques Poirier, General Manager

Mr. Collin thanked Council for this meeting. His presentation (a copy on file), presents three options to connect the ATV trails to the community and businesses. He discussed the importance of this for economic development, tourism and business support. To do this the Village will have to do a By-law to add the municipal streets they want to allow ATV's access to. He discussed the letter sent by Quad NB to the Village. He wants the Council to know he is not against the ATV Club and is willing to work with them. However, he did not feel it was the ATV Club's right to say a citizen of Belledune should not have access to Council to discuss this issue. Belledune has contributed around \$300,000 to the Club for the bridge. He and Mr. Poirier explained the role that Quad NB plays and the various funds they have, which the Chaleur ATV Club has applied to many time and received approval for funds.

Council members comments & questions included:

- A lot of good work done, nice to see bridge nearly completed, adding access to streets for ATV to utilize businesses would be great.
- Tremendous possibilities for tourism, and working with Skidoo lodge.

- Chaleur ATV Club - Daniel Rioux, Trail Coordinator

Mr. Rioux introduced the members of the Chaleur ATV Club present this evening. He noted the Chaleur ATV Club is not against the request and that the bridge was a big project and the price was going very high and went over budget. He discussed the costs of signs and posts for ATV access on streets, and right now the Club does not have the money for that. He said that if Belledune wants to do a by-law for that, they are not against this, but they would like to be informed and can assist with this. The by-law take some time as it has to go through provincial departments for approval, whether it is a new by-law or an amendment to an exiting by-law and this can take some time to get done.

Council member comments and questions:

- Representative for Belledune
- Trail passes and how to become member Chaleur ATV Club, where can they be purchased
- Why does Chaleur ATV have to be involved for Belledune to make a by-law
- ATV industry and tourism
- ATV maps
- Enforcement on trails - no trail pass
- Snowmobile club and trail club working together
- Status of bridge

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- Adjournment

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**Kristie Carrier moved that the meeting adjourn at 6:58 P.M., seconded by Lilliane Carmichael.  
MOTION CARRIED.**

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Mayor

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Clerk/Treasurer