



**Village of Belledune
Regular Council Meeting
October 20, 2025**

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
Councillor, Dawn Hickey
Absent:
Late:
Staff Present: Clerk Treasurer, Angela Culligan
Staff Absent: Chief Administrative Officer, Landon Lee
Staff Late:

Call to Order & Welcome

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

Adopt Agenda

M 2025/10/20-108

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

Statements of Conflict of Interest

Adoption of Minutes

M 2025/10/20-109

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Minutes of the Committee of Whole Council Meeting of September 2, 2025, the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2025 and the Special Meeting of

September 25, 2025 be adopted as presented, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Business Arising from Minutes

Presentations / Petitions / Delegations

Statements by Member of Council

Mayor, Arseneault

- Shared Infrastructure

Mayor, Arseneault believes that the Belledune Arena should be considered a shared infrastructure and would like for Council to give him the mandate to advocate for this

M 2025/10/20-A

Ron Bourque moved that the Mayor represent the Village of Belledune, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

- Discussion on RCMP Northeast District Meeting with Minister Gauvin
- 2026 Economic Summit

Mayor, Arseneault will be working with Chief Richardson on an Economic Summit to promote economic development in the region. It is planned for Spring 2026.

Councillor, Bourque

- Report for October

Councillor, Bourque presented a report on his activities for the month.

- Remembrance Day

Councillor, Bourque wanted to make everyone aware of upcoming Remembrance Day activities.

Councillor, Carmichael

- Update on Renaissance Nursing Home

Councillor, Carmichael reported on the AGM meeting with the board of the Renaissance Nursing Home.

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell

Councillor, Hickey

Councillor, Robinson

Administration Reports

Chief Administrative Officer, Landon Lee

- Social and Environmental Grant Report

2025/10/20-110

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the CAO Grant Report for October 2025 be accepted as presented and recommendations approved for the following grants: \$250 to the #1242 Petit Rocher branch Royal Canadian Army Cadets, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

2025/10/20-111

that the Village of Belledune give a Social & Environmental Grant of \$10,000 to the Jacquet River School Student Council and a grant of \$5,000 to the Jacquet River School Breakfast Program for year 2025 for the purpose of addressing all school related funding requests that would have been submitted to the Village of Belledune with the condition that a report be provided from the Jacquet River School Student Council to the Village of Belledune by December 31, 2025 with details of where the funds were expended MOTION TABLED.

2025/10/20-B

Cynthia Robinson moved that Motion M 2025/10/20-111 be tabled, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

2025/10/20-112

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Village of Belledune give a Social & Environmental Grant of \$500 to the DRHS International Student Program, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

2025/10/20-113

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Village of Belledune give a Social & Environmental Grant of \$1,000 to the Belledune Power Club as contribution towards their insurance, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk Treasurer, Angela Culligan

- Financial Reports

2025/10/20-114

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

- Resolution Confirming Engagement in the AFC Approach

M 2025/10/20-115

Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell moved WHEREAS the Village of Belledune has realized the importance of providing our seniors with good quality of life;

and WHEREAS the Village of Belledune seeks to engage our citizens in making our community a better, healthier and safer place for seniors to live and thrive;

and WHEREAS the Village of Belledune would like to build on the momentum of the Canadian and global movement of Age-Friendly Communities, originally initiated by the World Health Organization (WHO), to meet the needs of our aging population, promote the active participation and wellness of seniors in our community, and develop a more inclusive community

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Belledune is committed to:

- **Engage in an "Age-Friendly Community" approach, which is designed to improve the well-being of all of our citizens, and to share our experiences with other communities, and**
- **Strike a citizens' committee (Steering Committee) whose members will be appointed by the organization or the municipal council of Belledune to whom they will be accountable, to coordinate the "Age-Friendly Community" approach. This Committee will be responsible for implementing an approach leading to an action plan, shaped by the community's reality, to improve the quality of life of seniors.**

, seconded by Lilliane Carmichael. MOTION CARRIED.

- **Main Street Upgrading - Three-Year Plan Revision**

M 2025/10/20-116

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the document entitled Main Street Upgrading - Three-Year Plan be adopted, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

- **Winter Maintenance Service - Jacquet River Fire Hall Snow Removal RFQ #JRFH-2025-28**

M 2025/10/20-117

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the RFQ #JRFH-2025-28, 3-year snow removal for the Jacquet River Fire Hall be awarded to the lowest bidder, Woodcox Trucking for the amount of \$5,060 (including HST) for 2025-2026, \$5,060 (including HST) for 2026-2027 and \$5,060 (including HST) for 2027-2028 and that the contract be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

- **Winter Maintenance Service - Portion of Ocean Avenue - Tender #PW-2025-2028**

M 2025/10/20-118

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Tender #PW 2025-2028, 3-year Winter Maintenance Service for the portion of Ocean Avenue be awarded to the lowest bidder, Woodcox Trucking for the amount of \$8,050 (including HST) for 2025-2026, \$8,050 (including HST) for 2026-2027, and \$8,050 (including HST) for 2027-2028 and that the contract be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

- **Firefighter Recognition Dinner**

M 2025/10/20-119

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the Council of the Village of Belledune approve a maximum of \$1,500 to be spent on a recognition dinner for the Belledune Volunteer Fire Department, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

General Correspondence

- Correspondence List & Documents

Closed Session

Adjournment

M 2025/10/20-120

Lilliane Carmichael moved that the meeting adjourn at 7:47pm, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor

Clerk Treasurer