



**Village of Belledune  
Committee of Whole Council Meeting  
November 6, 2023**

**Time:** 7:00 PM  
**Place:** Belledune Council Chambers  
Mayor, Paul Arseneault  
Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael  
**Present:** Councillor, Cynthia Robinson  
Councillor, Kristie Carrier  
Councillor, Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell  
Councillor, Ron Bourque  
**Absent:**  
**Late:**  
**Staff Present:** CAO, Landon Lee  
**Staff Absent:**  
**Staff Late:**

**Call to Order & Welcome**

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

**Adopt Agenda**

**M 2023/11/06-152**

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

**Statements of Conflict of Interest**

**Presentations / Petitions / Delegations**

**Business**

**Council**

**Administration**

CAO, Landon Lee

- Discussion on CRSC Budget

CAO Lee summarized the changes in the proposed CRSC Budget from the original iteration that was distributed in Sept 2023, to the latest version which was received in Nov 2023. The two primary discussion points from the Administrators in the Chaleur region on the proposed budget were contributions that were allocated to Planning, which is a service that not all municipalities utilize. Some CRSC felt that equalization grants received by CRSC should be distributed to services that all members use. The second discussion was around Regional Transportation, which sees Belledune as not being a part of the Phase 1 plans, and as such does not have a contribution to this service. However capital assets need to be purchased, and other municipalities feel Belledune should contribute.

Councillor Guitard-McDonnell asked about the weighted vote for CRSC board members. CAO Lee explained that although each municipality had 2 members at the table, each municipal member had a different value for their vote. Each Bathurst board members vote is worth 4 votes, each Belle-Baie board members vote is worth 3 votes, each board members vote from Belledune and the Rural District were worth 1 vote.

CAO Lee noted that with Mayor Arseneault and Councillor Robinson being the voting members for Belledune, councillors should try to get their opinion on how to vote over to Paul and Cynthia as soon as possible. Councillors Bourque, Carmichael and Guitard-McDonnell indicated they would like for Paul and Cynthia to vote in favour of the proposed budget.

Closed Session

Adjournment

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**Lilliane Carmichael moved that the meeting adjourned at 7:22pm, seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.**

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Mayor

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Acting Clerk/Treasurer