

Village of Belledune Committee of Whole Council Meeting March 3, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Belledune Council Chambers

Mayor, Paul Arseneault

Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael Councillor, Cynthia Robinson

Present: Councillor, Cynthia Robinson

Councillor, Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell

Councillor, Ron Bourque Councillor, Dawn Hickey

Absent:

Late:

Staff Present: Chief Administrative Officer, Landon Lee

Staff Absent: Clerk Treasurer, Angela Culligan

Staff Late:

Call to Order & Welcome

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

Adopt Agenda

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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

Mayor, Arseneault

Councillor, Bourque

Snow Removal

Councillor Bourque would like direction from council for the CAO concerning snow removal for private businesses. There are by-laws in place to ensure private businesses do not move snow from their property onto municipal property. Councillor Bourque would like to see the private businesses invoiced if they continue to do this, or the municipality execute its powers to ensure this practice is stopped. Deputy Mayor McDonnell-Guitard suggested sending a letter to the business. Council agreed, direction issued to CAO to draft a letter. CAO Lee provided a summary to council on the current safety situations in the area that Councillor Bourque raised, which is at the corner of Jacquet River Drive and Main St.

Councillor Bourque also raised concerns over snow bank height at Fire Station 1 in Jacquet River. CAO Lee informed council that Fire Station 1 likely had a contractor doing snow removal, so either Public Works or the contractor would be informed to reduce the snow bank size.

Mayor Arseneault mentioned a meeting had been requested from DTI concerning snow removal in Belledune that has not materialized. CAO Lee to follow up with DTI on arranging a meeting.

Discussion on dog control and SPCA

Councillor Bourque indicated there is an animal control office who resides in Belledune, and would like for council to issue a directive to the CAO to approach the province to find out costing. Deputy Mayor Guitard-McDonnell asked about the coverage of this by-law enforcement person, Councillor Bourque indicated this person covers a large area of Northern NB, and has the power to issue warrants, arrest warrants or to go to court. He feels this service is better value than SPCA. Councillor Carmichael suggested that council meet with SPCA. CAO Lee informed council that a revised contract is being investigated with SPCA, and that there are other options for animal control outside of SPCA. As well, a request for a meeting with council has already been requested. CAO Lee will get the contact information from Councill Bourque on the other option for by-law enforcement. Councillor Bourque disagreed that Council should meet with SPCA, he feels there has been enough discussion with their organization already. Mayor Arseneault agrees with Councillor Bourque, that Belledune needs to find alternative measures.

Councillor, Carmichael

Councillor, Guitard-McDonnell

Councillor, Hickey

Councillor, Robinson

Administration

CAO, Landon Lee

Clerk/Treasurer,	Angela	Culligan

Closed Session

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Lilliane Carmichael moved that the meeting adjourned at 7:26pm., seconded by Marilyn Guitard-McDonnell. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor	
Assistant Clerk Treasurer	