



**Village of Belledune  
Committee of Whole Council Meeting  
September 20, 2022  
Information Session**

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

**Call to Order & Welcome**

Mayor, Arseneault called the meeting to order.

- Acknowledgement of "Treaties of Peace and Friendship"

Mayor, Arseneault read the Acknowledgement of Peace and Friendship.

Mayor, Arseneault advised that he was first introduced to Chief Richardson and Jim Richardson at a ONB meeting at Danny's. It was a packed room and their presentation was the best he ever heard. They had the full attention of the room. Their message was terrifically positive and he noted it is an honour to know them. They are two of the brightest lights in Northern N.B.

**Presentations / Petitions / Delegations**

- Pabineau First Nations - Chief Terry Richardson & Jim Richardson (Council Member)
  - Information on Economic Development possibilities in the region they are working on
    - Agreement signed with German Company

The presentation was unable to be displayed for viewing, but a copy will be provided by e-mail to Mayor, Arseneault.

Both Chief Richardson and Jim Richardson (Council member) took turns back and forth speaking for the presentation.

The information topics included messages for Reconciliation, economic development, development for northern region of New Brunswick, working together to create a inclusive Strategic Plan and Vision, creating relationships and partnerships for success, consultation protocols and open communication

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strategies, using a balance approach to development with economics, environment, social and cultural pillars, being action orientated not process driven, keeping business separate from politics, building intellectual capital through non selfish partnerships, creating opportunities through positivity, etc.

They discussed the various projects that they are working on and provided information about companies they are talking with (globally) and those they have signed Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with and particularly the MOU with German company for hydrogen. They also discussed their Vanier project in Bathurst which include a gas station, convenience store, restaurant, strip mall and eventually entertainment.

The plans for Port of Belledune and the Green Hub will put N.B and Canada on the map. Belledune will be where these projects will happen. The goal is to build up the north, share the benefits by every municipality playing a role, create employment, build our youth population, creating education opportunities for the jobs that are coming, etc. Partnership is the key to success.

There will be an event for Reconciliation ceremony at Pabineau Fall on September 30, 2022 starting at 11:30 a.m. and an invitation was extended to Council.

Meeting concluded at approximately 6:45 P.M.

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Mayor

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Clerk/Treasurer