

**Village of Belledune
Committee of Whole Council Meeting
June 6, 2016**

Time: 7:00 P.M.
Place: Belledune Municipal Chambers
Present: Mayor, Joe Noel
Deputy Mayor, Paul Arseneault
Councillor, Lilliane Carmichael
Councillor, Tracy Culligan
Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden
Councillor, Sandenn Killoran
CAO, David Hughes
Clerk/Treasurer, Brenda Cormier

Mayor Noel called meeting to order and welcomed public.

Agenda:

Tracy Culligan moved the agenda be adopted as amended: under Council, add Councillor, Sandenn Killoran- Formulation of a few Committees and Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden – Priority List and under Administration change Summer Student to Closed Session and delete Gas Tax Fund Update, seconded by Nick Duivenvoorden. Motion carried.

Statement of Conflict of Interest: Nil

Business:

Mayor, Joe Noel

- Election of Deputy Mayor, Process

The election of Deputy Mayor will be held at the June 20, 2016 meeting. Council members should consider their interest and be prepared for next meeting.

The Council expressed interest in changing the one (1) year term to two (2) year.

This will be included in the Procedural By-law Amendment.

- By-law Regulating the Proceeding of Council – Order change

The Agenda will have an order change to have the Public Comments & Questions to be after the Adjournment and not part of the Meeting recordings. There will be the opportunity to be part of the formal agenda under the Presentation/ Petitions/ Delegation section by following the procedure outlined in the By-law.

Council also clarified comments and questions will still have to be directed to the Chair.

An Amendment to the By-law will be prepared for the first and second reading at the June 20, 2016 Regular Meeting.

Councillor, Paul Arseneault

- Jacquet River Gorge Support – Financial and Other

The Gorge should be supported financially and otherwise. Currently it is not being supported as much as it should be. It could be a major tourism attraction as it gets guests from all over the world. The topic will be brought back for discussion for adding some infrastructure, i.e. place to sit, gazebo, etc. For now he would like to see Paul Deveraux paid for rental of portable toilet, some gravel on the road.

There will be a request to reimburse for portable toilet for last year, pay for this year and pay for costs of gravel for road.

Councillor, Tracy Culligan

- FMC in Winnipeg – A report will be presented at the June 20, 2016 Regular Meeting.

- Belledune Youth Music Program

There have been three (3) or four (4) meeting so far. The intent is to have music lessons in the community. An executive has been formed and are doing fundraising and have set up a Bank account. They will work at being established as a non-profit entity. Currently there are two (2) interested instructors (John Boulay and Harquail Music); the group will go with Mr. Boulay. They may be coming to the Village at some point for funds to offset costs to the students, but not free for student. Space has been identified at the CCNB Belledune Learning Centre for free. This program is in the works, they are looking for support and she thinks it is a fantastic idea.

Mayor, Noel attended last meeting and there is a lot of interest.

Councillor, Nick Duivenvoorden

The roadside cleanup will take place this upcoming Saturday and will be handled similar to the past. There is one vacancy that has not yet been filled.

Councillor, Culligan noted maybe the Music Group would be interested.

- Personal Priority List – 9 Items

Councillor, Duivenvoorden over the last several months has established a list of nine (9) items that he would a part of Council's Strategic Planning Session and he will introduce those items at the next Regular Meeting on June 20, 2016.

Councillor, Sandenn Killoran

In speaking with the firefighters, the preference for their appreciation party is on a Saturday. The tentative date is July 16, 2016 pending availability of Recreation Centre. Councillor's Arseneault and Carmichael offered to help.

He would also like to see some committees structured to set the groundwork for Economic Development and Youth Retention; as well, a committee for Senior's Care, Healthy Active Living, etc. These committees would be part of the Strategic Plan by providing additional information to the Council for consideration.

Council members then discussed various events and services these committees could work on and bring back or provide in the community, i.e. Relay for Life. Committee structured for various interests, groups and purposes requires organization.

Councillor, Lillian Carmichael

She attended the event in May for Cadets and she was made to feel very welcome. The program is for ages 12-18 and is a very good one. She also went to the Salmon Barrier with the NB Nature Festival and there was a good turnout.

Administration:

CAO, Hughes

- Brush Cutting Tender

An invitation tender was submitted locally, with two (2) contractors submitting bids. Bids were open at a public opening, no one attended. The recommendation will be on the Agenda for the June 20, 2016 Regular meeting.

- Jacquet River Dr. Tender

The tender was awarded to St. Isidore Asphalt and there is a request for piping of ditch at #186 Jacquet River Dr. Issues are being picked up as we go and Council may see a few change orders coming forward.

- Former Pizza Delight (#3718 Main) Parking Lot) Tenders

Phase 2 (minus the paving which is part of the Jacquet River Drive Tender) was submitted by invitations tender to local contractors.

- Civic #186 Jacquet River Dr. - Ditched Piped

Estimate for work is \$27,000 and the change order will be brought forward for the Regular Meeting on June 20, 2016.

- Mitchell Rd. – Asphalt Maintenance, Milling and Paving

There was some rubberized crack filling last year but what was not done will require milling and paving. There was one quote submitted for 6 400 feet – 18' and a second quote from a second contractor being sought. This will be brought back to Council.

- Moose Fence – Rte. 11

There were concerns expressed by NB Power regarding the Electro Braid moose fence not being repaired, etc. They have a number of employees who travel that route and they feel it is a safety issue. Glencore is also getting involved. Both will submit letters of support and a letter will be prepared for the Mayor to submit to the Minister and MLA requesting the fence be repaired and maintained.

- Shannon Dr. – Road Stop Up (Transfer to Port of Belledune)

CRSC, Planning Dept. – Marc Bouffard will brief Council on this file on June 14th at 8:00 P.M.

- Industrial Park Rail Spur line Monthly Inspection

There are repairs recommended in the reports and he is working on getting estimates for the work and it will be brought back to Council for evaluation. Funds were applied for last year through the Building Canada Fund and did not get approval. There are repairs needed.

- DTI Five Year Plan for provincial Designated Highways

A meeting was held with Roy Consultant engineer, Francis Frenette and DTI representative. A scope of work is being prepared for consideration and the offer of 10% share from Belledune may not meet their approval – it will most likely have to be 15%. Project of \$1,000,000 was identified and with a \$29,000,000 for the complete province that amount would be too much to allocate to Belledune at one time. Projects are being approved in the \$300,000 range. Belledune will not see anything in 2016, but if they submit their plan they could be considered for 2017.

- Memorial Park Phase 2– CN Agreement

The program and Agreement were clarified for Council. This program is only for the planning of trees on a 50/50 cost sharing up to \$15,000 from the CN program. The Phase 2 plan for the Memorial Park has not been formally designed yet, but there has been money put in the 2016 Budget, but not to the amount specified in the proposal that was submitted to CN. The initial schematic that was being looked at by previous Council has not changed with the relocation of the parking area being adjacent to the Campground office.

- Drainage #4278 Main Street (West of Jacquet River Bridge)

The scope of work for this area was discussed and the issues the homeowner is having with huge amounts of water in the spring. A cost evaluation was done by Roy Consultants and the idea was to have the work done in conjunction with the DTI Five Year Plan for provincial Designated Highways projects. However, this will take place this year for sure.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier

By-law & Policies

- Proposed Amendments & New – Discussion - Dog By-law Amendment

The Amendment to Dog By-law that were recently done, are not really aligning (section wise) with the existing By-law and cannot be consolidated as is. In discussion with our legal counsel, he noted other problems with the By-law and recommended preparing a new clean version of the By-law for Council adoption.

Public Comments & Question:

L. Hickey comments on the Five Year Plan for provincial Designated Highways and is Smearer Rd. part of the plan. The speed limit from Smelter to Point Verte are concerning and the lack of RCMP services are seeing motorist far exceeding the speeds. It's like a raceway. RCMP services in general are very poor, including response times.

Mayor, Noel advised that he has been working with the RCMP regarding their presence in Belledune and there should be improvements with more patrols being done in the area.

A. Carrier discussed the Culligan Wharf work that was supposed to be worked on by previous Mayor who took it from Councillor Culligan. He want to know where is that file.

B. Noel asked noted work needed at Wharf road and could Council address that.

R. Noel inquired about the proposed ATV trail on Colony Road and would property owners need to get ATV trail pass to access their properties.

Closed Session: 8:15 P.M.

- Personnel

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 P.M. on a motion by Tracy Culligan seconded by Sandenn Killoran. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor