

**May 12, 2014**

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Monday, May 12, 2014. Mayor Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Lefrancois and Rossiter in attendance; Councillor Barbour was absent. Also present were Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland, Fire Chief Peter Murphy, and a number of Village residents.

**Meeting Agenda**

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Lefrancois, to accept the agenda. **MOTION CARRIED**

**UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Adoption of Minutes**

It was moved by Councillor Lefrancois, seconded by Councillor Rossiter, to accept the minutes of the April 14, 2014 Council meeting as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Business Arising From Minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**Correspondence**

- a. Dated April 14, 2014 from Worksafe NB with the Annual Report of the Firefighters' Compensation Act Disability Fund.
- b. Dated April 18, 2014 from the Chipoudy Communities Committee with request for the former Crooked Creek Market sign.
- c. Dated May 5, 2014 from Clark Butland with request to meet with Council about invoice for the curb stop installed on his property. Following discussion, it was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Lefrancois, that the amount of \$526.80 billed to Mr. Butland be rescinded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- d. Dated May 8, 2014 from Elizabeth Collins with request to meet with Council about her duplex water & sewer rate. The Clerk was directed to contact the Taxation Assessment Department to inquire about the property and report back to Council at next month's meeting.
- e. Dated May 2014 from Teen Challenge Atlantic Canada and their drug and alcohol rehabilitation program.

**Public Works Report – Heather Cail**

Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail was absent from meeting.

**Fire Department Report**

Fire Chief Peter Murphy reported there were a couple of fire calls last month, one on Caledonia Mountain Road and one grass fire. Level 1 training is planning to be finished by the end of June. The music jamboree evening held on May 9, 2014 was a huge success; the pancake breakfast fundraiser may be held later this Fall. The water tanks stored behind the Recreation Centre are still being considered as a potential water source for the Fire Department. The Fire Chief asked when the repairs would be done to the toilet and waterline at the Firehall. There was brief discussion about the telecommunications tower which was recently purchased by a new firm down in the U.S., and the Fire Chief has concerns about costs and how to better budget for use of the tower. A meeting between the three Village Councils and Fire Departments of Alma, Riverside-Albert, and Hillsborough may prove beneficial. It was moved by Councillor Lefrancois, seconded by Councillor Rossiter, to accept the Fire Department report. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Committee Reports**

Planning & Co-ordination

Mayor Elliott reported that all is well with the Regional Service Commission.

Water & Sewer

The boil water advisory issued on April 15, 2014 was lifted effective today by the Department of Health.

RCMP

There have been recent complaints about speeding in the Village.

Animal Control

There are 58 dogs registered to date. A number of owners have not yet come in to the Village Office to tag their dogs. The Clerk asked Council to consider contacting Dog Constable Ben Grondin about the remainder.

**Treasurer's Report**

The 2013 audit materials were delivered to Donna Floyd CGA and she is working on them now. The income statements for the General Revenue and Water & Sewer Revenue funds were provided to Council up to and including April 2014. The issue of overdue water & sewer bills will go to committee.

**Acceptance of Monthly Bills**

It was moved by Councillor Lefrancois, seconded by Councillor Rossiter, to accept the bills for April 2014. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Old Business**

Unightly Premises

There was brief discussion about a demolition permit issued in the Village last year which will expire in July 2014.

Signage in the Village

There was no news regarding signage.

CBC Telecommunications Tower

The CBC telecommunications tower contract was recently renewed with SBA Towers in Florida, U.S.A. and will extend to October 31, 2018.

Requests from Shirley Barbour & Herman Dixon

The request from Shirley Barbour has been tabled, and Herman Dixon's drainage concern has been fixed for now.

Casual Employment – Public Works

Hiring of casual employment will be discussed in committee.

Tele-Drive Program

There is no news about the Tele-Drive Program.

Directory & Flower Basket Hangers

A new Village directory is being developed; there is no news about flower basket hangers.

Meeting with EXP – New Building Canada Fund

EXP consultants are presently working on a proposal for a new water system master plan.

Meeting with Forest Dale Nursing Home

The Public Works Department has been working with Vicki Caissie, Administrator, about the drainage problems from the nursing home.

**New Business**

Vandalism – Crooked Creek Lookout Park

On April 28, 2014, there was vandalism with significant damage to the viewing platform at the Crooked Creek Lookout Park; the RCMP were notified. There was brief discussion about possibly installing video surveillance as well as a locked gate. It was consensus that the damages be repaired as soon as possible.

Big Spring Clean-up & Household Hazardous Waste Day

The big spring cleanup and household hazardous waste day are scheduled for Monday, May 26, 2014.

Soapbox Derby – July 11, 2014

A soapbox derby is planned for July 11, 2014 in conjunction with the Shepody River Days. Permission was requested to block off Bicentennial Drive and it was requested if municipal insurance could cover the derby. The Clerk will inquire with Jones Insurance and report back to Council.

June Council Meeting

The June Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 9, 2014 at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

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Mayor

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Village Clerk