

June 9, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Monday, June 9, 2014. Mayor Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Barbour and Rossiter in attendance; Councillor Lefrancois was absent. Also present were Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland and Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail.

Meeting Agenda

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

Adoption of Minutes

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, to accept the minutes of the May 12, 2014 Council meeting as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Business Arising From Minutes

Councillor Barbour asked why the bill to Clark Butland for waterline repairs was rescinded by Council at the last meeting; following discussion, it was consensus that the cost would have been considerable to seek legal aid.

Correspondence

- a. Dated May 20, 2014 from Andre Chenard, PNB, about the new Gas Tax Fund allocation; it was consensus that Council meet with Mr. Chenard.
- b. Dated May 22, 2014 from 2014 Hillsboro Homecoming Days with request for support; it was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, that \$100.00 be donated to the 2014 Hillsboro Homecoming Days. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- c. Dated May 26, 2014 from Myrna Stewart about an abandoned well on a neighboring property.
- d. Dated May 27, 2014 from NB Power about a street light replacement program.
- e. Dated May 28, 2014 from the Honourable Rob Moore MP about the launch of the New Building Canada Fund.
- f. Dated May 29, 2014 from David Christie about Mary Majka celebration of life planned for June 14, 2014.
- g. Dated June 2, 2014 from Margaret Danahy about damages to her vehicle from potholes on Water Street.

- h. Dated June 10, 2014 from Albert County Health & Wellness Centre about their Open House on June 10, 2014.

Public Works Report – Heather Cail

Water & Sewer

Water operations are normal. The master plan proposal from consulting firm EXP is recommended by public works as beneficial for future planning and budgeting for the water system. Waterline on a King Street property was replaced at the owner's expense this past month. An exterior light was vandalized at the water treatment facility. At the Firehall, a new low-flow toilet was installed and other necessary repairs were completed to the waterline. Heather gave a brief report on the annual Wastewater Approval Compliance Evaluation held in the Village with Denis Chenard, Department of Environment on May 29, 2014.

Streets & Sidewalks

Streets and sidewalks were swept by equipment owned by Chris Buck. Brown's Paving patched a number of Village side streets; there is a cut on Water Street which needs pavement, and also three more cuts need pavement on Forestdale Road which is a concern as more waterline work needs to be done there. There are two culverts on Water Street which need to be installed and then all culverts in the Village will be done. NB Power representative Bill Gallagher was into the Village Office and spoke with Heather and the Clerk about the major overhaul of transmission lines from Moncton to New Ireland with 213 new poles to be installed beginning the first of June 2014.

Recreation

The Recreation Centre continues to be significantly used. A roof ridge vent was missing a couple of pieces which was creating leakage inside and this was repaired by siding installer Barry Russell. One new low flow toilet was installed in the ladies washroom.

Beautification

The Crooked Creek Lookout Park was ready for the May long weekend, but last weekend more damages happened to the deck again.

Solid Waste Collection

The quarter ton truck is presently into Frank L. Steeves repair shop for body work after the rear drivers side wheel fell off. The ton truck had a new muffler installed and needs additional work to pass the next safety.

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, that the Public Works Report be accepted. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Fire Department Report

Fire Chief Peter Murphy was absent from tonight's meeting.

Committee Reports

Planning & Co-ordination

Mayor Elliott reported that all is well with the Regional Service Commission; budgets are on target with reserve funds of \$1 million and accumulated surplus of \$14 to \$15 million.

RCMP

A book of condolences will be set up by Village resident Beulah Morrissey at the Village Office to honour the 3 slain RCMP officers.

Recreation

Councillor Rossiter asked that Council consider construction of a winter skating rink area on the lower road behind the Rec Centre; he will gather more information and report back to Council at next month's meeting.

Animal Control

The Clerk spoke to owners of untagged dogs this past month; three more dogs were tagged for a total of 61 dogs registered to date. A number of owners have not yet come in to the Village Office to tag their dogs.

Treasurer's Report

The 2013 audit materials are presently being finished by Darcie Jonah with Donna Floyd CGA in Sussex. The Gas Tax Fund documents are

necessary for the audit and are not yet completed, and the Clerk has been

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working with Luc Theriault with the Province to finalize them. The payment of \$558.05 was recently received from the Minister of Finance for unsightly premises cleanup on King Street during 2013.

Acceptance of Monthly Bills

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, to accept the bills for May 2014 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Old Business

Unsightly Premises

The Clerk will contact the property owner who was issued a demolition permit last year which will expire in July 2014; an update will be presented at next month's meeting.

Signage in the Village

There was no news regarding signage.

Directory & Flower Basket Hangers

There is no news about a directory or flower basket hangers.

New Business

EXP – Proposal for Water System Master Plan

The Proposal for Water System Master Plan dated May 30, 2014 was received from consulting firm EXP. Council will read and discuss at next month's meeting.

Alma Activity Days Parade

The Alma Activity Days Parade is scheduled for June 28, 2014.

Hiring – Public Works Department

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, that the Village of Riverside-Albert hire a temporary employee for the Public Works Department for 40 hours per week at a pay rate of \$14.00 per hour effective May 19, 2014 to September 2014.

Canada Revenue Agency – 2013 Payroll Source Deductions

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, that a certified resolution of Council be sent to the Canada Revenue Agency requesting the 2013 payroll source deductions for the Village of

Riverside-Albert, stating that as of June 9, 2014, the Village Clerk for the Village of Riverside-Albert is Deborah Murray-Butland; the Mayor for the
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Village of Riverside-Albert is Dale Elliott; the Councillors for the Village of Riverside-Albert are John Lefrancois, Kevin Rossiter, and Shirley Barbour.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2014 SEED Program – Summer student

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, that the Village of Riverside-Albert hire one summer student under the 2014 SEED Program and that the hourly rate of pay be topped up to \$11.00 per hour for 2014. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Progressive Conservative Annual Fundraiser Dinner

It was consensus that two tickets be purchased for the PC annual fundraiser dinner scheduled for June 14, 2014 as has been done each year for several years; cost of the tickets are \$100.00 each.

July Council Meeting

The July Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 14, 2014 at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.

Mayor

Village Clerk