

November 14, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Monday, November 14, 2016. Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Morrissey, Murphy, and Wright in attendance. Also present were Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland, Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail, and several Village residents. Village resident Margaret Elliott was in attendance to make a presentation for the Friendship Seniors Club.

Meeting Agenda

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Wright, to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Presentation: Margaret Elliott – Friendship Seniors

Margaret Elliott made a presentation on behalf of the Friendship Seniors Club about their past work in the Village, as well as the use and related rental fees of the Seniors Room at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre. The next regular Friendship Seniors meeting is set for Monday, November 21st at 1:00 pm.

Adoption of Minutes

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, to accept the minutes of the October 11, 2016 Council Meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Business Arising From Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Correspondence

- a. Dated October 14, 2016 from the Caledonia Regional School with request for support for the 2017 yearbook; it was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, that an ad for \$90.00 be placed in support of the 2017 Caledonia Regional School yearbook. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- b. Dated October 17, 2016 from Eco360 about the official launch of the Three-Stream Waste Sorting Program the week of October 24th.
- c. Dated October 18, 2016 from the PNB Analytical Services Lab in Fredericton concerning the transition to RPC for sampling analysis effective November 8, 2016.

- d. Dated October 26, 2016 from the Community Business Development that Nathalie Gallant is the new Executive Director.
- e. Dated October 26, 2016 from Deputy Minister Sara DeGrace with an update on implementation of the Gas Tax Fund and asset management.
- f. Dated October 26, 2017 from the Girl Guides about providing this year's Remembrance Day luncheon; it was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Wright, that \$600.00 be donated to the Girl Guides for the luncheon. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- g. Dated November 1, 2016 from Environment & Local Government that Environmental Trust Fund applications are presently being accepted with a deadline of November 30, 2016.
- h. Dated November 4, 2016 from CMHA Albert Branch with request for prizes for this year's Christmas party; it was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, that \$50.00 be donated for the CMHA Christmas party. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- i. Dated November 7, 2016 from Connecting Albert County with request for support in 2017; it was consensus that this request be tabled.

Public Works Report – Heather Cail, Superintendent

Water System

Water reservoir levels are back to normal following the dry summer. On October 18th, the Public Works Superintendent met with District Medical Health Officer Dr. Yves Leger and Department of Health official, Diane Fury; they visited local water facilities and the reservoir. On October 20th, the annual Approval Compliance Evaluation of our water system took place; there were minor corrective actions needed. On October 24th, Resource Systems did annual maintenance of our water treatment facility.

Wastewater System

One of the wastewater pumps was pulled and taken in for service at Xylem (formerly Flygt Pumps).

Streets

Potholes were filled on Bicentennial Road, Water Street, and Union Street. There continues to be a problem with drainage on County Road.

Village Office

The septic tank behind the Village Office was located and cleaned.

Solid Waste

The three-bag waste sorting system is proving to be mostly positive; beginning the week of November 28th, the wrong colour bag will not be collected. If the resident does not separate properly, Eco360 will send a representative down to visit. There was a brief discussion about a problem with rats and crows in relation to garbage, and if a flyer should be sent out.

Owen Masters – Public Works Department

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Wright, that whereas funding under Riverside-Albert Back-Up Water Operator – Project No. 26822 ceases on November 30, 2016; be it resolved that Maintenance worker Owen Masters be laid off from his position with the Village of Riverside-Albert effective November 28, 2016 until further notice. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Wright, to accept the Public Works report. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Fire Department Report

Fire Chief Peter Murphy reported. Halloween was very quiet again this year. The Remembrance Day service was well attended by the volunteers. Level 1 training is scheduled for January of next year, and Tuesday night is proving to be a better night for the Fire Department weekly meetings. A memorial plaque in memory of former firefighters was recently placed on the Fire hall, and new windows and doors will soon be installed. The annual Christmas party is scheduled for November 19th. It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Wright, to accept the Fire Department report. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Committee Reports

Streets

As mentioned under the Public Works report, work has been done on streets over the past several months.

Planning & Co-ordination – Regional Service Commission

A review of the Regional Service Commissions is currently taking place in order to improve the regional service commission model. A series

of workshops will take place around the province later this month.

Water & Sewer

Village consultants EXP are planning to begin necessary work this month on initial preparations for construction of the water storage tower.

RCMP

RCMP Cpl. Chantal Ouellette was unable to attend tonight's meeting, but she was in attendance at our Remembrance Day service. Mayor Campbell reported that she recently received the promotion to Staff Sargent of the Riverview RCMP detachment.

Recreation

Riverside-Albert Recreation Council Chair Mindy Holmstrom was present at tonight's meeting to give a brief report on the Annual General Meeting of the Riverside-Albert Recreation Council held on October 17th. The new officers are Chair Mindy Holmstrom, Vice-Chair Rick Butland, Secretary Amanda Lyman, and Treasurer Lisa Parsons. A Board of Directors was appointed representing the three parishes of Harvey, Riverside-Albert, and Hopewell as outlined in the Constitution. There was brief discussion about the used playground equipment from Fundy Park, as well as how to secure the building with numerous keys out in circulation. It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to accept the Recreation Council report. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Animal Control

Animal control plans for next year will be discussed at budget time.

Treasurer's Report

Village Council and the Clerk met with auditor Donna Floyd CGA on October 19th to discuss the 2015 Financial Statements. Councillor Morrissey presented an expense reimbursement sheet, which he recommends to be used by Council members and Village staff to submit expenses to the Clerk. The Clerk requested to take some of her holidays the week of November 21st.

Acceptance of Monthly Bills

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Wright, to accept the bills for October 2016 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Old Business

Unsightly Premises

Mayor Campbell reported that the ruling on Unsightly Premises has been passed by nearly all of the communities served by the SE Regional Service Commission.

Building Canada Fund – Water Storage

The law firm for the Village is working on acquisition of the land for the water storage tower.

Emergency Measures Organization

Village Council and the Clerk met with Bob Rochon on October 24th to discuss and finalize the updated EMO Plan for the three communities. The plan is not entirely completed at this point but is nearly finished.

Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program

There is no news on Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program.

RBC Direct Payments

An update on the Royal Bank direct payments for water and sewer customers will be presented to Council as soon as possible.

Snow Removal & Sanding – 2016/2017 Winter Season

Receipt of prices for snow removal closed at noon on October 28th with two submissions received from Broadleaf Guest Ranch and Jasco Construction. The Jasco price was submitted incorrectly and, although they were contacted from the Village Office, the company did not recognize the error until the following week. Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Wright, to accept the prices from Broadleaf Guest Ranch for snow removal and sanding for the 2016/2017 snow removal season. Councillor Morrissey voted nay. During discussion, it was noted that the corrected price from Jasco was significantly lower than the price from Broadleaf Guest Ranch. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Canada 150 Celebrations

It was discussed that local service groups be approached to plan celebrations in the Village for Canada's 150th birthday.

2017 Budget Planning and Water & Sewer Rates

The Clerk is expecting the final figures from the Province necessary for budget planning over the next few weeks.

New Business

By-law – Waste Collection & Disposal

The new By-law for Waste Collection & Disposal needs discussion.

Proclamation – Anti-Bullying Day

The Mayor issued a formal proclamation regarding Anti-Bullying Day on December 16th. The proclamation will be posted publicly in the Village.

Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre Rental Rates

The revised Recreation Centre Rental Rates will be presented at an upcoming meeting following approval by Council.

December Council Meeting

The December Council meeting is set for Monday, December 12, 2016 beginning at 7:00 pm at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Mayor

Village Clerk