

NOVEMBER 14, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Village Office on Tuesday, November 14, 2017. Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Murphy and Wright in attendance; Councillor Morrissey was absent due to knee surgery. Also present were Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland, Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail, and several guests.

MEETING AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Wright, to adopt the meeting agenda as presented with an inclusion of discussion about a recent offer to purchase a lot of land from the Village on Bicentennial Road. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Murphy, to adopt the minutes of the October 16, 2017 Council Meeting as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a.) Dated October 9, 2017 from Crime Stoppers with request for support; it was consensus that support not be given this year.
- b.) Dated October 11, 2017 from SERSC with their 2016 Annual Report.
- c.) Dated October 10, 2017 from NB RCMP Commanding Officer with their 2016 Annual Report; the report is at the Village Office.
- d.) Dated October 18, 2017 from TransAlta with the EIA for the Kent Hills Wind Farm Expansion; a copy of the EIA is temporarily at the Village Office.
- e.) Dated October 24, 2017 from Minister Denis Landry about 2018 RCMP policing costs.
- f.) Dated October 30, 2017 from Publishers Ageless about a Day Trippin' ad.
- g.) Dated November 9, 2017 from White Hills Pony Club with card of thanks.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Public Works Superintendent Heather

Cail

Water Projects – Building Canada Fund & Clean Water & Wastewater Fund

All underground work is complete now in relation to the two water projects; the new waterlines on King Street were commissioned today. Tomorrow, the water will be shut down on the Riverside side of the Village to replace an existing hydrant on King Street adjacent to the municipal office. On Mill Street, there were problems when equipment from Dexter's Construction broke down; connections on that street remain to be done but the cement pad has been poured for the water storage tank. The tank is in the manufacturing process and will be installed and commissioned next spring. Following installation, it will take approximately ten 24-hour days to fill the tank.

Water Department

The Boil Water Advisory enforced on September 26, 2017 is still in effect and will remain in place until new water lines are completely commissioned. The Fundy Curling Club has already started ice making and Brown's Paving will be using substantial amounts of water during the paving process required as a result of the two projects. Water levels appear to be reinstated up at the reservoir, but the water treatment facility can produce only 60 gallons per minute, which means that water conservation remains important.

McClelan Park Project

Work has begun on the area at McClelan Park to prepare for installation of the new Acadian monument; prices for two new flag poles have been received.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

There was no one present from the Fire Department to give a report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets

As mentioned under the Public Works report, the water main replacement and water storage tank projects will soon be done for this year; final repairs to landscaping and paving are planned for spring of 2018.

Planning & Co-ordination

Mayor Campbell attended the October meeting of the Regional Service Commission held on October 24, 2017 at Moncton City Hall. For 2018, a new

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regional tourism initiative is planned for our entire area, as well as a decrease in solid waste costs for our Village.

RCMP

Staff Sgt Chantal Ouellette was unavailable to attend tonight's meeting.

Recreation

Since the October meeting, activities at the Rec Centre are ongoing; Brownies & Guides, kids basketball, Pickleball and Zumba classes are ongoing each week; the monthly Fish & Game meeting and Bingo games continue. The annual Remembrance Day service was well attended, as well as the Fall fundraiser dinner for the Holy Ghost church. The December Council meeting will be held at the Village Office, as the Albert Vocational Training Centre have booked the Rec Centre the same night for their Christmas dinner.

Animal Control

There is no news to report on animal control.

TREASURERS REPORT

A meeting with auditor John Redding with Stevenson & Partners has been requested to discuss with him the reason behind the significant surplus in the 2016 Financials. Initial planning for the 2018 budgets will begin soon.

ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY BILLS

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

OLD BUSINESS

Unightly Premises

Regarding unightly premises, Mayor Campbell is working with the Province about plans for a derelict property they now own on the Albert side of the Village.

Building Canada Fund and Clean Water & Wastewater Fund

The two projects were discussed under the Public Works report.

RBC Direct Payments – Water & Sewer Customers

At last month's meeting, it was consensus of Council that the Royal Bank be contacted to set up the Village as a Corporate Payee for utility bill payments. The bank representative was contacted about Council's decision, and Village residents will be notified as soon as the bank has everything in place.

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Intersection of King Street and Route 915

There was brief discussion that a full assessment is essential in the spring of 2018 to create greater safety at the intersection of King Street and Route 915.

Nature Conservancy of Canada – Fundraising Caledonia Gorge Project

Fundraising for the Nature Conservancy of Canada Caledonia Gorge Project was recently confirmed to be over \$115,500 to date. On November 14, 2017, NCC Program Director Paula Noel confirmed they are following up on other proposals to individuals and companies that would total another \$65,000. An extension has been received on the closing date to mid-January 2018 to extend fundraising and in order to finalize details on transferring land for the reservoirs.

Snow Removal & Sanding – 2017/2018 Winter Season

It was moved by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that the Village of Riverside-Albert snow removal and sanding for the 2017/2018 winter season be carried out by Village staff. **MOTION**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Third Reading & Enactment – Riverside-Albert By-law No. RARP-2

The Village Clerk gave the third and final reading of Riverside-Albert By-law No. RARP-2 by title only. It was moved by Councillor Murphy,

seconded by Councillor Wright, that the Village of Riverside-Albert enact Riverside-Albert By-law No. RARP-2 – Village of Riverside-Albert Rural Plan By-law. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

First Reading – Riverside-Albert By-law No. 28A (Waste Collection)

The Village Clerk gave the first reading of Riverside-Albert By-law No. 28A – Village of Riverside-Albert Waste Collection By-law, in its entirety.

New Business

2018 Budget Planning and Water & Sewer Rates

Mayor Campbell and the Village Clerk will begin looking at the new budgets for 2018 as soon as possible; a budget meeting will be held in the near future.

Stoney Creek Bridge

It was consensus of Council that a letter be sent to the Minister about safety issues related to the temporary Stoney Creek Bridge.

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Cell Phone – Mayor Campbell

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Wright, that the Village of Riverside-Albert reimburse Mayor Jim Campbell for 75 percent of his monthly personal cell phone costs during his term as Mayor. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Lot of Land – Bicentennial Road

The Village was contacted about selling a lot of land on Bicentennial Road for a new ambulance shed. As well, there was brief discussion about the possibility of selling the existing Village Office with relocation to the Rec Centre.

December Council Meeting

The December Council Meeting is set for Monday, December 11, 2017 at the Riverside-Albert Village Office.

Second Reading – Riverside-Albert By-law No. 28A (Waste Collection)

The Village Clerk gave the second reading of Riverside-Albert By-law No. 28A – Village of Riverside-Albert Waste Collection By-law, by title only.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Mayor

Village Clerk