

**January 13, 2014**

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Monday, January 13, 2014. Mayor Elliott called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Barbour and Rossiter in attendance; Councillor Lefrancois was absent due to illness. Also present were Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland, Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail, Fire Chief Peter Murphy, Deputy Fire Chief Darrell Weir, and several Village residents.

**Meeting Agenda**

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

**Adoption of Minutes**

It was moved by Councillor Barbour, seconded by Councillor Rossiter, to accept the minutes of the December 9, 2013 Council meeting as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, to accept the minutes of the December 16, 2013 Council meeting as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Business Arising From Minutes**

Resolutions of Council were made at the Special Council meeting on December 16, 2013 to transfer Gas Tax Funds from reserve to cover costs of the culvert replacement on Water Street, and to move \$4,000.00 into reserve from the 2013 Fire Department budget.

**Correspondence**

- a. Dated November 29, 2013 from Community Business Development Corporation with thanks for financial contribution.
- b. Dated December 10, 2013 from Minister Trevor Holder about Heritage Week 2014.
- c. Dated December 12, 2013 from Minister Claude Williams announcing financial assistance for slope repairs on King Street.
- d. Dated December 19, 2013 from Canada Post with Action Plan for 2014.
- e. Dated December 20, 2013 from Community Revitalization Committee with request to meet with Council.

- f. Dated January 5, 2014 from Bullying Canada with request for funding information (RTIPPA).

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- g. Dated January 7, 2014 from Trustees of Albert Baptist Church with request to waive water & sewer billings following church fire.
- h. Dated January 2014 from Forest Dale Home Auxiliary with request for support for Cable TV program. It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, to support the Cable TV program in the amount of \$100.00. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **Public Works Report – Heather Cail**

#### Water & Wastewater

There is presently another boil water advisory in place for our water supply issued due to heavy rain by the Department of Health on January 12, 2014; two truckloads of water were necessary to bring the water plant back online. Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail gave a brief overview of the past three boil orders. It was recommended to Village Council to meet with consulting firm EXP in the near future to discuss the diversion ditch which, had it been in place, may have proven beneficial in prevention of these boil orders. Equipment is presently in place to repair a water leak on Forest Dale Road which will hopefully decrease the present water usage. Heavy rainfall has been taxing on the two pumps at the Bicentennial Street sewage lift station.

#### Streets

Chris McCrea is the new supervisor at the Riverside-Albert Government Garage depot. The Department of Transportation plans to begin work soon on the large washout on King Street across from the Forest Dale Nursing Home; the runoff is coming down from the nursing home property, and it was recommended to Village Council to contact the Home to discuss a solution to the problem.

#### Solid Waste Collection

Riverside-Albert residents are presently doing very well with garbage sorting at around 90% compliance, which is above average. Residents are requested that snow and ice be removed from around garbage containers.

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor

Barbour, to accept the Public Works report. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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### **Fire Department Report**

Fire Chief Peter Murphy gave a brief report on the Fire Department activities for the past several months, which included calls for forest fires, motor vehicle accidents, mutual aid to Alma and Hillsborough, and structural fires. The most recent structural fire was the Riverside-Albert Baptist Church here in the Village. The volunteers continue to be involved in training and local fundraising events. There are plans in place for a generator at the Firehall to be available during extended periods of hydro outages. There was discussion about the need for an alternate water source for the Fire Department, and Council agreed to meet with the Fire Department in the near future to discuss the water source. It was moved by Councillor Barbour, seconded by Councillor Rossiter, to accept the Fire Department report. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Planning & Co-ordination**

The next meeting for the Regional Service Commission #7 is scheduled for January 28, 2014. A questionnaire was recently received concerning the Regional Service Commission.

#### **RCMP**

The RCMP were absent from tonight's meeting. There have been complaints at the Village Office about skidoo's and 4-wheelers.

#### **Animal Control**

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, to accept the 2014 Dog Control Agreement between the Village of Riverside-Albert and Dog Constable Benoit Grondin. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **Treasurer's Report**

The 2014 Budgets were submitted to the Province for approval. The budget updates for the 2013 year-end should be finalized by next month.

### **Acceptance of Monthly Bills**

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, to accept the bills for December 2013. **MOTION CARRIED**

**UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Old Business**

Unsightly Premises

There is no news concerning unsightly premises.

Signage in the Village

There is no news concerning signage in the Village.

Dismantling of CBC Telecommunications Tower

There is no news about dismantling of the CBC telecommunications tower; there was an oil spill onsite which was cleaned up.

Economic Business Planning & Development Committee

There is no news about economic business planning & development.

Recreation Centre Sign

There is no update on the Recreation Centre sign.

Request from Wesley United Church – Water & Sewer Connection

The request from the Wesley United Church has been tabled.

**New Business**

Proclamation – Heritage Week February 10-17, 2014

It was consensus that Heritage Week be proclaimed in the Village of Riverside-Albert from February 10<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Proclamation – Heart Month February 2014

It was consensus that Heart Month be proclaimed in the Village of Riverside-Albert during February 2014.

February 2014 Council Meeting

The February Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 10, 2014 at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm.

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Mayor

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Village Clerk