

November 9, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Monday, November 9, 2015. 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, Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail, Fire Chief Peter Murphy, and several Village residents. RCMP Cpl Chantal Ouellette was also in attendance.

### **Meeting Agenda**

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

### **Adoption of Minutes**

It was moved by Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, to accept the minutes of the October 13, 2015 Council meeting as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **Business Arising From Minutes**

There is no business arising from the minutes.

### **Correspondence**

- a. Dated October 13, 2015 from Tele-Drive Albert County with request for support in 2016; this item will be discussed during budget planning.
- b. Dated October 2015 from Tele-Drive Albert County with notice of the Annual General Meeting on November 25, 2015.
- c. Dated October 19, 2015 from Denis Chenard PNB regarding proposed water storage plans from consultants EXP.
- d. Dated October 19, 2015 from France Castonguay PNB regarding proposed water storage plans from consultants EXP.
- e. Dated October 2015 from Caledonia Regional School with request for support for the 2015-2016 Yearbook; it was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, that an ad be placed in the yearbook at a cost of \$90.00. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- f. Dated November 6, 2015 from Environmental Trust Fund regarding 2016-2017 applications; this item is to be discussed in committee.

**Public Works Report – Heather Cail, Superintendent**

Water & Wastewater

A second boil water advisory was issued by the Department of Health this past month on October 29, 2015; the order was lifted on November 8, 2015. Council is strongly urged to finalize planning for funding for water storage under the Building Canada Fund to help alleviate future boil orders. The sewer lift stations were cleaned and serviced this past month. As well, staff member Owen Masters is scheduled to write his first exam for Back-up Water certification on December 10, 2015.

Recreation

The Rec Centre has been busy this past month.

Solid Waste

The Big Fall Clean-up scheduled for October 26, 2015 was extended out to much longer than normal this year; stipulations are needed to have everything cleaned up within one day. This year, a movable trailer was placed off to the side of the Recreation Centre for household hazardous waste items but the new arrangement was not suitable to the drivers.

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

**Fire Department Report**

The Fire Chief reported that there were several calls this past month to motor vehicle accidents, downed power lines, and smoke inside homes. Halloween was quiet this year. The new rescue van is now in use. Fundraising is continuing to go well with the 50/50 draws. The hydrant behind the Rec Centre at the Ducks Unlimited project was tested and appears that it will work well; plans are in place to hook in a second hydrant as well as possibly a third at the Calhoun Marsh pond. Due to First Responder calls, volunteers are being called upon more than ever; First Responder training is available but volunteers will be asked to take time off work to get the training. Councillor Rossiter requested that Mayor Elliott inquire about the Fire Chief's concerns at the Regional Service Commission. It was moved by Councillor Barbour, seconded by Councillor Rossiter, to accept the report as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Committee Reports**

**RCMP**

Cpl Chantal Ouellette gave an update to Council on last month's break-ins around the Village; RCMP members are still working on leads and have a few people of interest. The public are requested to give as much information as possible and are encouraged to call Crimestoppers. A Village newsletter with tips to prevent robberies was mailed out to the community this past month but no feedback was received at the office. Council was advised that a couple of new members have joined the force and it was noted that RCMP presence has increased in the area over the past month.

**Streets**

There is no news about Streets.

**Planning & Co-ordination – Southeast Regional Service Commission**

The SERSC budget indicates no major increases for next year.

**Recreation**

Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail attended a Regional Networking Meeting on October 29, 2015 as part of the Recreational Assets and Connectivity Project organized by Recreation NB. The online survey will be circulated on the Village Facebook page. As well, an inquiry was received at the Village Office from a young parent hoping to organize a parent and child morning one day a week at the Rec Centre. It was consensus that a donation for use of the building would be appreciated.

**Animal Control**

A meeting with Animal Control Officer Benoit Grondin will be set up with Council prior to next month's Council meeting.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Income Statements for the General Revenue Fund up to and including October 30, 2015 were distributed to Council recently and the same for Water & Sewer Revenue Fund will be distributed later this month.

**Acceptance of Monthly Bills**

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, to accept the bills for October 2015 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Old Business**

Unightly Premises

Mayor Elliott has a contact with the Taxation Assessment Office in Moncton; they will try to work with us regarding unightly premises.

New Gas Tax Fund Allocation

Mayor Elliott will be meeting with the Public Works Superintendent on the next allocation of the Gas Tax Fund.

Water Storage Tanks

Local Services Advisor Daniel Goguen advised that plans are in place that one of the water tanks will be transported out later this week.

Emergency Measure Organization

Bob Rochon contacted us to advise that the final information is being gathered to complete the EMO plan for the three communities.

Telecommunications Tower

There is no news about the telecommunications tower.

Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program

There is no news on Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program.

Tender Submissions – Ton truck & Plow

Councillor Barbour requested that the final decision on the ton truck and plow be tabled until a special council meeting on November 13, 2015.

Signing of Building Canada Fund Agreement – Water Storage Tower

Signing of the Building Canada Fund Agreement is still pending.

Volunteer Help – Village Office

Discussion on volunteer help at the Village Office is to be tabled until the special council meeting scheduled for November 13, 2015.

**New Business**

Snow Removal – 2015/2016 Season

It was moved by Councillor Rossiter, seconded by Councillor Barbour, that requests for snow removal prices be posted to be received no later than noontime on November 27, 2015. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2016 Budget Planning & Water and Sewer Rates

Budget information normally arrives from the Province around the first of December.

December Council Meeting

The December Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 14, 2015 at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm.

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Mayor

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Village Clerk