

**JUNE 12, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Monday, June 12, 2017. Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Morrissey and Murphy in attendance; Councillor Wright was absent. Also present were Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland, Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail, Fire Chief Captain Darrell Weir, RCMP Constable Constance Brown, and numerous guests. Also in attendance was Wilfred Savoie to make a presentation on the proposed Monument of Shepody to honor the Acadian families at McClelan Park, and SERSC Planner Tracey Wade to make a presentation related to the new Riverside-Albert Rural Plan By-law.

**MEETING AGENDA**

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, to adopt the meeting agenda with the addition of SERSC Planner Tracey Wade to make a presentation related to the new Riverside-Albert Rural Plan By-law, and a resolution to transfer funds into reserve for the Riverside-Albert Fire Department. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PRESENTATION: Wilfred Savoie – Acadian Monument**

Wilfred Savoie is a member of a non-profit workgroup for the Monument of Shepody (Chipoudie) and was present at tonight's meeting to thank Village Council for their decision to partner and host a monument in Riverside-Albert in honor of the Acadians. He explained that, along the Bay of Shepody in Albert County, French Acadians established permanent settlements with the 1755 census confirming the presence of 425 inhabitants belonging to 77 Acadian families shared among 26 family names. A fundraising campaign is under way to raise \$13,000.00 to help cover the cost of the monument, which is planned for McClelan Park in October 2017. Following further discussion, it was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to accept the monument in honour of Acadian settlers in Albert County. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PRESENTATION: Tracey Wade SERSC Planner – New Rural Plan By-law**

Tracey Wade, Planner with the Southeast Regional Service Commission, outlined the new Riverside-Albert Rural Plan By-law, which has been developed by the SERSC in conjunction with a committee of Village residents. She outlined a few changes in relation to zoning, housing of farm animals, and commercial business. At the July meeting, it is hoped that Village Council would pass a resolution to hold a Public Hearing for the new Rural Plan By-law in September, in order to have it adopted at the October or November Council meeting.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, to adopt the minutes of the May 8, 2017 Council Meeting as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to adopt the minutes of the May 23, 2017 Special Council Meeting as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- a.) Dated May 2017 from Department of Health – two letters about May 2017 Boil Order and Rescindment.
- b.) Dated May 2017 Albert County Tourism Association about their Annual General Meeting set for June 14, 2017.
- c.) Dated June 5, 2017 from TransAlta about the Kent Hills Wind Project Update and Open House Invitation for June 20, 2017 in Turtle Creek.
- d.) Dated June 5, 2017 from Eco360 about the new Eco Mobile Depot coming Fall 2017.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail**

**Water & Sewer**

On May 7, 2017, a Boil Water Advisory was issued by the Department of Health due to elevated turbidity following periods of heavy

rainfall. Following two consecutive series of negative bacteriological water samples from the sampling sites within the distribution system, the boil water advisory was

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rescinded on May 18, 2017. On May 26<sup>th</sup>, tender openings for the Water Distribution project took place at the consulting firm of Exp in Moncton with five tenders received.

#### Solid Waste

The Eco360 three-bag system continues to be working well; when the new service is offered, the Eco Mobile Depot will visit each Riverside-Albert, Alma, and Hillsborough three times per year to enable residents to dispose of bulky items and household hazardous waste.

#### Recreation Centre

The Recreation Centre was widely used during the month of May with weekly Brownies & Guides, monthly Fish & Game meeting, an ACTA meeting, the Chimney Swifts meeting, a Soil & Crop meeting, a Health & Wellness meeting, spring basketball, Kids Crafts night, pickleball, and Zumba.

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that the Public Works Report for May 2017 be accepted as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – Captain Darrell Weir**

In April, there was one call for a motor vehicle accident at the lower corner in Albert with total loss of two vehicles but no injuries; one structure house fire on Caledonia Mountain Road with complete loss of family home; and an ATV fire on the walking trail the same day as the house fire. The new epoxy floor is finished at the fire hall; there are plans to have an Open House for the public to view improvements. Negotiations are underway to purchase a 2007 Suburban three-quarter ton from Riverview Fire to haul the rescue trailer and off-road equipment. Plans are in place to attend the annual Southeast Firefighters meeting, and two more of our volunteers have completed their Level 1 Firefighters course. Weekly training continues on Tuesday nights. It was moved by Councillor Morrissey,

seconded by Councillor Murphy that the Fire Department report for May 2017 be accepted. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Streets

Village streets need major planning and significant improvements.

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### Planning & Co-ordination – Regional Service Commission

This past month, volunteers from the United Way Day of Caring planted flower beds at the Village Office. Mayor Campbell chaired several meetings at the Office this past month for Horizon Health and Habitat for Humanity. Other meetings attended were the UMNZ Zone 2 meeting in Alma last Saturday, and a community growth seminar in Sackville. Hours at the Albert County Health & Wellness Centre will be cut with closing time earlier at 4:30 pm. Mayor Campbell reported the Progressive Conservative Association plan to hold their annual fundraiser dinner this Saturday.

### RCMP

RCMP Constable Constance Brown reported on policing in our area this past month. On May 18, a major incident was dealt with in West River and a command post was set up at the Village Office. He expressed concerns about the accident this past month at the lower corner in Albert related to the dangerous intersection there, as well as the turn by the Riverside-Albert Firehall. RCMP members will be on patrol later each evening with summer hours here, and one member will be specifically assigned to Fundy Park this summer.

### Recreation

There was no Recreation Council report available for tonight's meeting.

### Animal Control

The Dog Constable will be contacted to help with dogs not yet registered. There is no news on problems with animal control other than a complaint about rats; the owner of the property was contacted by the Village Office.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

The 2016 audit package was delivered to Stevenson & Partners in Riverview on June 6, 2017; they plan to deliver the draft Financial

Statements to Council at next month's meeting. Beginning July 10, the new hours of operation for the Scotiabank in Hillsborough will be Tuesday's from 10 am to 6 pm and Thursday's from 11 am to 7 pm. On May 18, RCMP Sgt Chantal Ouellette contacted the Clerk about setting up an RCMP command post that evening at the Village Office. Registered mail for overdue utility bills will be sent out later this week; if unpaid, shutoffs are scheduled for the week of June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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### **ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY BILLS**

It was consensus that monthly bills not be accepted this month.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Unightly Premises

There is no news on unightly premises.

#### Building Canada Fund and Clean Water & Wastewater Fund

The pipe refurbishment project tender closed on May 28, and consulting firm Exp will be contacting us later this week. The water storage tank project will go to tender later this month.

#### RBC Direct Payments – Water & Sewer Customers

Further information will be available at next month's meeting on arrangements with RBC for utility payments.

#### Canada 150 Celebrations

Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday will be celebrated this summer during Shepody River Days which are set for July 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### By-law – Waste Collection & Disposal

A draft copy of the new By-law for Waste Collection & Disposal was presented to Council.

#### Gas Tax Fund Agreement – New Capital Investment Plan

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that the document entitled *Village of Riverside-Albert Five-Year Capital Investment Plan for the GTF Administrative Agreement 2014-2018* be adopted. **MOTION CARRIED**

### **UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### Highway 114 Stoney Creek

The new Route 114 bridge was opened to traffic on May 12, 2017.

#### 2017 Summer Students

The Village was able to find one student to hire under the Federal program. Samuel Tingley is scheduled to begin work on June 12, 2017.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### New Riverside-Albert Rural Plan By-law

As discussed earlier by SERSC Planner Tracey Wade, the new Riverside-Albert Rural Plan By-law was presented in draft to Council for tonight's meeting.

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### RBC Temporary Borrowing – Watermain Renewals & Storage Tank

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that interim financing with the Royal Bank of Canada be arranged for two projects for the Riverside-Albert Water System, in amounts not to exceed \$700,000 and \$1,400,000 to be in place no later than December 31, 2017. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### Reserve Funds – Riverside-Albert Fire Department

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that a sum of \$5,000.00 be transferred from the Fire Department General Operating fund to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund for the Riverside-Albert Fire Department, in accordance with Riverside-Albert By-law No. 5, which is a By-law to establish a Reserve Fund for the Riverside-Albert Fire Department.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### Historic Map Book of Village

A historic map book of the Village has been offered to us for purchase.

### July Council Meeting

The regular July Council Meeting is set for Monday, July 10, 2017. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.

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Mayor

Village Clerk