

NOVEMBER 13, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Village Office on Tuesday, November 13, 2018. Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Brewster, Morrissey, and Murphy in attendance. Also present were Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland, Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail, Deputy Fire Chief Kyle Brewster, and several guests. Robert Rochon and Joseph Gallant were also at the meeting to make a Public Presentation related to the Bennett & Albert County Health Care Foundation.

MEETING AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, to adopt the meeting agenda as presented with the omission of the second Public Presentation due to inclement weather. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PUBLIC PRESENTATION

Robert Rochon gave a brief update on the Bennett & Albert County Health Care Foundation. He is the Treasurer and board member and provided information on the work of the Foundation, their initiatives, and future plans. The presentation included information on the importance of fundraising, volunteers, and their bursary program; more information is available in the office of the Clerk.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to adopt the minutes of the October 10, 2018 Council Meeting as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a.) Dated October 2, 2018 from Greater Moncton Crime Stoppers with request for support. There was brief discussion about Village resident Ron Alward's 30 years of service with Crime Stoppers.
- b.) Dated October 18, 2018 from Minister Denis Landry regarding 2019 RCMP costs; there was a slight increase of 1% provincially over last year.
- c.) Dated October 24, 2018 from 2018 Enabling Accessibility Fund; our application is in the review process and we should know by early 2019.

- d.) Dated October 26, 2018 from the Commissioner of Municipal Affairs about having not yet received our 2017 audited financial statements; this will be discussed later under Old Business.
- e.) Dated November 2018 from White Hills Pony Club with card of thanks.
- f.) Dated November 2018 from Forest Dale Nursing Home about meeting on Healthy Aging scheduled for November 28, 2018.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail

Water & Wastewater

The water system has been working well this past month. The new sampling stations are on order with plans to install before winter. There is a water valve that needs to be lowered on a property driveway on Mill Street. Another meeting was held recently with a study group related to the Natural Assets Initiative about monitoring equipment to collect data linked to storm water remediation.

Recreation Centre

The Recreation Centre project under the Gas Tax Fund is complete with the exception of the furnace installation where inspections are still needed. The generator is there but not yet connected, and the projector for audio and visual will be installed at a later date.

Streets

Water Street was patched recently by Brown's Paving.

Solid Waste

The Annual Environmental Awards will be held on November 22, 2018.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Deputy Fire Chief Kyle Brewster gave a brief report on the Fire Department. The annual Music Jamboree and hot dog wagon were both very successful fundraisers with approximately \$2,400.00 and \$5,500.00 raised respectively. Training sessions for electric car and pump maintenance were both done recently. There were several mutual aid calls, a couple of motor vehicle accidents, and calls about hydro lines down due to high winds.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Southeast Regional Service Commission

The Tourism Initiative has stated that funding looks positive for completion of the trails system from Fundy Park through to Hillsborough. As well, two new inspectors will be hired to enforce unsightly premises in our area.

Mayor Campbell reported that the Acadian Monument group is now formed. A meeting is set for this coming Saturday to finalize plans for the official unveiling of the Acadian monument at McClelan Park in August 2019.

Streets

As mentioned at last month's meeting, Village streets need a lot of work; the five-year program for provincially designated streets was submitted to the Dept of Transportation & Infrastructure.

RCMP

There was no one present from the RCMP. Sgt. Patrick Tardif was recently contacted and has plans to attend the December Council meeting.

Recreation

As mentioned under the Public Works report, construction at the Rec Centre under the Gas Tax Fund is nearly complete with a few finishing touches remaining to be done to the propane installation, etc. Activities at the Centre for October were steady with Pickleball, Zumba, a family gathering, child's birthday party, along with other regularly scheduled activities.

Animal Control

There is no news under Animal Control.

TREASURERS REPORT

The budget updates ending November 13, 2018 for both accounts were circulated to Council for tonight's meeting. The new Director of the Community Finances Branch in Fredericton is Grace Lee Cutler.

ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY BILLS

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to accept the bills for the month of October 2018. **MOTION CARRIED**

UNANIMOUSLY.

OLD BUSINESS

Building Canada Fund and Clean Water & Wastewater Fund

Everything is finalized related to construction of the water storage tank.

It is hoped the water sampling stations installation will begin soon.

New Ambulance Shed – Bicentennial Road

Construction of the new ambulance shed has not yet begun.

Intersection of King Street & Route 915

There is no news for tonight's meeting about the lower intersection.

2017 Financial Statements

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, that the 2017 Financial Statements as prepared by AC Stevenson & Partners Inc. be accepted for the Village of Riverside-Albert.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2019 Budget Planning

The budget planning meetings for next year will begin as soon as all necessary information is received from the Province.

NEW BUSINESS

2018/2019 Environmental Trust Fund Application

Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail is working with Village resident Denis Doucet on an application to the Environmental Trust Fund for the Riverside-Albert Waterfowl Park behind the Recreation Centre.

Fire Department Reserve

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, that a sum of \$43,500.00 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.**

Scotiabank Investment

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, that an investment sum of \$24,368.81 (as of September 30, 2018) be transferred from Scotiabank to RBC Royal Bank. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

December Council Meeting

As the second Monday in December falls on an important Christmas dinner for the Vocational Training Centre, it was consensus that the December Council Meeting be planned on the following day on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at the Riverside-Albert Village Office.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Mayor

Village Clerk