

**JANUARY 14, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Monday, January 14, 2019. 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, Fire Department representative Darrell Weir, and several guests. Also in attendance was RCMP Acting Detachment Commander Patrick Tardif.

**MEETING AGENDA**

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to adopt the minutes of the December 11, 2018 and the December 28, 2018 Council Meetings as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- a.) Dated December 1, 2018 from Union of Municipalities of NB with thanks for Village membership.
- b.) Dated December 5, 2018 from Alaina Lockhart MP about the Nature Challenge Fund.
- c.) Dated December 10, 2018 from Bob Rochon about Exercise Brunswick Bravo 2019.
- d.) Dated December 17, 2018 from Alaina Lockhart MP about the 2019 Canada Student Summer Jobs.
- e.) Dated December 27, 2019 from Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail with Letter of Resignation effective January 18, 2019.

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

**Water & Wastewater**

As per our Certificate of Approval to Operate #W-1641 for the Village of Riverside-Albert water system, officials with the Department of Health and Department of Environment were informed of Heather Cail's resignation.

The Village of Hillsborough agreed that staff member Gary Jonah is qualified and can be available to work for the interim as our Operator in Charge of the Riverside-Albert Water Supply. Former Hillsborough employee Frank Layton is qualified and has been hired for the interim to take water samples and perform other duties for Riverside-Albert Public Works.

A water leak on Water Street was repaired this past month; it is recommended that the Village return to the property in the spring to repair the property owner's fence and to do landscaping.

Two new sewage lift station pumps are on order and it is recommended that the two lift stations and sewage distribution lines be cleaned later this year.

#### Recreation Centre

The Recreation Centre project under the Gas Tax Fund is complete; a quote has been received from Eastern Fence to place a barricade around the generator.

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to accept the Public Works Report as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

This past month, there was a call for a chimney fire in New Horton as well as one to help Ambulance NB for a lift assist. Volunteers attended the annual Santa in the Park for traffic control and the RCS Christmas Concert for parking. Two Officer's Meetings and one General Meeting were both well attended, and the regular Fire Hall nights have been changed back to Wednesday nights. An Agenda has been set up for Training Nights, with two new volunteers joining the Department. The newest fire truck has been having some electrical issues and was sent to Centreville, NB for repairs. The truck is back now and in service. It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to accept the Fire Department Report as presented. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Southeast Regional Service Commission

There was no meeting in December for the Regional Service Commission.

### RCMP

RCMP Acting Detachment Commander Patrick Tardif introduced himself and gave a brief report at tonight's Council meeting. He is the new replacement for Staff Sgt Chantal Ouellette and has been an RCMP member for 28 years. There have been some challenges over the past couple of years, but the detachment is almost at full potential with the hiring of two new members. There have been five or six break and enter incidents within the area over the past month or so. He plans to attend our monthly Council meetings on a quarterly basis with another member attending the remainder of the meetings.

### Recreation

Activities at the Centre for December were steady with Pickleball, Zumba, Bingo, Christmas parties, Christmas Aid, and other regularly scheduled activities.

### Animal Control

Residents will be notified when the 2019 dog tags are available.

## **ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY BILLS**

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

**UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

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

Installation of the water sampling stations is tied in with construction of the new ambulance shed, which has not yet begun. The two water sampling stations are to be purchased and installed under the Clean Water & Wastewater Fund. The two stations have been ordered and are now in Moncton, with plans to have them installed later this Spring. A third sampling station is a budgeted item in the 2019 Water & Sewer Utility fund.

### New Ambulance Shed – Bicentennial Road

There is no news on the new ambulance shed.

Intersection of King Street & Route 915

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

Acadian Monument Ceremony

As discussed at last month's meeting, planning has begun for the Acadian Monument Ceremony set for August 16, 2019. The next meeting for the planning committee will be held on February 5, 2019.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Enabling Accessibility Project – Recreation Centre

If the Village receives the funding for the Enabling Accessibility Project at the Recreation Centre, the building will be upgraded to bring it more in conformance with current standards to enable greater use of the facility. Further information should be available at next month's meeting.

2018/2019 Environmental Trust Fund Application

There is no news about the application submitted to the Environmental Trust Fund to request funds for the Riverside-Albert Waterfowl Park.

**2019 GENERAL REVENUE & UTILITY FUND BUDGETS**

**General Revenue Budget - 2019**

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that the Council of the Municipality of Riverside-Albert resolve that the sum of \$520,478 be the total operating budget of the Municipality, that the sum of \$316,671 be the Warrant of the Municipality for the ensuing year, and that the tax rate for the Municipality be \$1.4275. The Council orders and directs the levying by the Minister of Environment & Local Government of said amount on real property liable to taxation under the Assessment Act within the Municipality of Riverside-Albert. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Water & Sewer Rates - 2019**

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, that the Council of the Municipality of Riverside-Albert resolve that the 2019 water rates increase by approximately 1 (one) percent for all Residential, Residential Plus, Duplex, Commercial, and Institutional users; and that the 2019 sewer rates increase by approximately 1 (one) percent for all Residential, Residential Plus, Duplex, Commercial, and Institutional users. The average

annual cost per unit for water and sewer for the Village of Riverside-Albert will increase from \$846.00 in 2018 to \$854.00 in 2019. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Water & Sewer Utility Budget - 2019

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Brewster, that the Council of the Municipality of Riverside-Albert resolve that pursuant to paragraph 189(4) of the Municipalities Act, the total budget for the Water & Sewerage Utility for the ensuing year would consist of total revenues of \$252,227 and total expenditures of \$252,227. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Resignation – Heather Cail, Public Works Superintendent

Public Works Superintendent Heather Cail will be finished working for the Village of Riverside-Albert effective January 18, 2019. On behalf of the residents and Village Council, Mayor Campbell presented her with an engraved watch and much thanks for her 18 years of service with the Village.

February Council Meeting

The February 2019 Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 11, 2019 at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

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Mayor

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Village Clerk