

DECEMBER 10, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Village Office on Tuesday, December 10, 2019. Mayor Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Brewster, Morrissey, and Murphy. Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland, Joshua Adams from the SERSC, and two Village residents were also in attendance.

MEETING AGENDA

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to adopt the meeting agenda as circulated with the addition under Correspondence from the Santa in the Park Committee. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PRESENTATION: Joshua Adams, SERSC – Municipal Natural Asset Initiative

Joshua Adams of the Southeast Regional Service Commission gave a presentation with slideshow about the existing Arabian Vault watershed in relation to climate change and potential for expansion. A final report with executive summary will be sent to Council at the beginning of 2020.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to adopt the meeting minutes of November 12, 2019 Regular Council Meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There is no business arising from the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Dated November 5, 2019 from the Greater Moncton Crime Stoppers with request for support; it was consensus that support not be given for this year.
- b) Dated November 12, 2019 from the Riverside-Albert Recreation Council with minutes of the Annual General Meeting held October 20, 2019.
- c) Dated November 21, 2019 from Honourable Carl Urquhart, Minister of Public Safety, with RCMP policing costs for 2020.
- d) Dated December 2019 from the Santa in the Park Committee with request for this year. It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that \$100.00 be donated to the 2019 Santa in the Park event. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Public Works Supervisor Wally Morrissey is ensuring that everything is running smoothly in the Public Works Department this past month.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

There was no one present from the Fire Department to give a report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Co-ordination

The SERSC board met on November 26, 2019 with Mayor Campbell and Councillor Morrissey in attendance. The Eco360 Environmental awards ceremony was held on November 28, 2019 at Riverview Town Hall which Mayor Campbell also attended.

RCMP

There is no news from the RCMP for tonight's meeting.

Recreation

The Enabling Accessibility Project continues at the Recreation Centre. During November, the building was busy with the annual Remembrance Day service, two birthday parties, a baby shower, a fundraiser yard sale, and a Girl Guides sleepover. Riverside School held a gymnasium event, ACTA held a monthly meeting, and the Fire Department had their annual Christmas Dinner. Along with the monthly Fish & Game meetings, there were regular Zumba classes, weekly Pickleball sessions, and monthly Bingo. A new event will be held every second week which is fish fly tying arranged by Councillor Morrissey.

Animal Control

Austin McKinley has agreed to provide animal control again in 2020.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Budget updates were presented to Council for the General Revenue Fund and the Water & Sewer Revenue Fund in order to finalize the 2020 Budget process. A committee meeting of Council will be held next Monday to complete the budgets, followed by a Special Council Meeting later in the week for adoption.

The Administration for Municipal Administrators NB shared a recent news release from the Department of Public Safety that the Basic Emergency Management course is now available online at no cost to the emergency

management community. The course is designed to provide administrative and Fire Department personnel with a broad knowledge base to carry out planning and operations during an emergency event.

ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY BILLS

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to accept the bills for November 2019. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OLD BUSINESS

New Ambulance Shed – Bicentennial Road

Construction on the new ambulance shed is now moving ahead.

Enabling Accessibility Project – Recreation Centre

The Enabling Accessibility Project is awaiting delivery of the wheelchair lift.

Potential Sale – Municipal Office Building

Potential sale of the Village Office is presently on hold.

Policy 007 – Staff Vacation Leave

Council will finalize changes to Policy 007 in the very near future.

Federal Gas Tax Fund (GTF) 2019/2023

EXP consultant Gordon Wasson recently forwarded information to the Clerk in relation to the new Capital Investment Plan under the Federal Gas Tax Fund. Further information will be available for Council at next month's meeting.

Safe Affordable Housing Committee

There is no news on the Safe Affordable Housing Committee.

New Horizons Grant Application – Recreation Centre Kitchen Upgrades

We are awaiting a decision on our New Horizons Grant application.

ICIP Applications – Water System & Streets Upgrades

There is no news on our ICIP applications for work on water and streets.

Nature Conservancy of Canada – New Project

There was brief discussion about providing support in next year's budget to the Nature Conservancy of Canada for expanded protection of the watershed.

Regional Fire Dispatch (RFD) Program

Further information is needed from Fire Chief Everett Osmond in relation to the Regional Fire Dispatch (RFD) Program.

2020 General Operating and Utility Fund Budgets

Planning is proceeding well for next year's budgets, which should be adopted and delivered to the Province prior to the Christmas holidays.

NEW BUSINESS

Eco Depot

The next Eco Depot is set for December 18 – 19, 2019 at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Special Council Meeting

The date for a Special Council Meeting to adopt the budgets will be set with Village Council at the Committee Meeting set for next week.

January Council Meeting

The January Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2020 at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Mayor

Village Clerk