

MARCH 9, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Monday, March 9, 2020. Mayor Jim Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Brewster, Morrissey, and Murphy in attendance. Village Clerk Deborah Murray-Butland, Darrell Weir, RCMP Constable Jeff Agnew, and several Village residents were also in attendance.

MEETING AGENDA

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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to adopt the meeting minutes of February 11, 2020 Council Meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Dated February 6, 2020 from ELG on Development Charges Regulation.
- b) Dated February 20, 2020 from Eastern Safety Services offering By-law Enforcement Services.
- c) Dated February 10, 2020 from ELG about the Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program.
- d) Dated March 3, 2020 from Alan & Elaine Demaline about a proposal for an Emission Vehicle Charging Station.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

This past month, water consumption has increased substantially; Village residents are asked to look for leaks on their properties and Public Works staff are looking for a possible broken water line. The Solid Waste Workshop planned by the Regional Service Commission for March 12, 2020 has been postponed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

There was no Fire Department report presented at tonight's meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Co-ordination

There was no SERSC meeting held in February 2020.

RCMP

RCMP Constable Jeff Agnew gave a brief report on policing in our area this past month. A traffic initiative was in place and one arrest was made in relation to a rash of break and enter incidents. There is nothing major to report.

Recreation

During February, the Recreation Centre held a birthday party, a funeral reception, a Heritage Day History Talk, and Fire Department TMR training. Along with a number of regular monthly meetings, there were Zumba classes, weekly Pickleball sessions, and fish fly tying. The 2020 Winter Carnival was held with good snow and many in attendance, and was considered a great success.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The 2019 annual audit is presently being prepared for the accounting firm of Stevenson & Partners.

ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY BILLS

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to accept the bills for February 2020. A word of thanks was mentioned to Broadleaf Guest Ranch for sand and salt provided to the Firehall at no charge. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OLD BUSINESS

Enabling Accessibility Project – Recreation Centre

The Enabling Accessibility Project at the Recreation Centre is ongoing.

Potential Sale – Municipal Office Building

It was consensus that potential sale of the Village Office remain tabled.

Federal Gas Tax Fund (GTF) 2019/2023

The new Capital Investment Plan under the Federal Gas Tax Fund will remain tabled until following further discussion of Council.

Safe Affordable Housing Committee

Mayor Campbell recently met with Minister Mike Holland, Roy Ries, and Stephen Davies on the Safe Affordable Housing Committee. A meeting has been requested with the Minister of Social Development in the near future.

New Horizons Grant Application – Recreation Centre Kitchen Upgrades

The Village Office received unofficial word that \$25,000.00 has been awarded under the New Horizons Grant application for upgrades to the kitchen.

ICIP Applications – Water System & Streets Upgrades

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

Recreation Centre Rental Rates

It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, that Village Council accept the revised Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre Rental Rates effective immediately. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Hiring for the Position of New Village Clerk – Job Posting

Following brief discussion, it was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that the Riverside-Albert Village Clerk Job Posting be accepted as presented, and that the position of Riverside-Albert Village Clerk be posted publicly until March 24, 2020. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2020 SEED & Young Canada Works Programs

Applications for summer students under both the Provincial and Federal programs were submitted before the deadlines last month.

NEW BUSINESS

Shepody Fish & Game – Crooked Creek Protected Natural Area

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, that Council of the Village of Riverside-Albert unanimously support the recent Proposal from the Shepody Fish & Game Association to Minister Mike Holland, that crown lands in the area of Crooked Creek be considered as a Class II Protected Natural Area. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mobile Eco-Depot – March 25 – 26, 2020

The Mobile Eco-Depot is scheduled for March 25 – 26, 2020 at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Municipal Election – May 11, 2020

Municipal Election Day is scheduled for Monday, May 11, 2020.

April Council Meeting

The April Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at the Riverside-Albert Village Office.

FINAL READING & ENACTMENT – RIVERSIDE-ALBERT BY-LAW NO. 2B

The final reading of Riverside-Albert By-law No. 2B, which is a By-law Respecting the Composition of the Council and the Remuneration of the Mayor and Councillors of the Village of Riverside-Albert, was read for the third time in its entirety. It was moved by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Brewster, that Council of the Village of Riverside-Albert adopt Riverside-Albert By-law No. 2B, which is a By-Law Respecting the Composition of the Council and the Remuneration of the Mayor and Councillors of the Village of Riverside-Albert.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Mayor

Village Clerk