

September 15<sup>th</sup> 2020

The regular Council Meeting of the Riverside-Albert Village Council was held at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre on Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Mayor Jim Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Councillors Morrissey, and Brewster in attendance; Councillor Murphy was absent. Also in attendance was Village Clerk Kelsey Grieve, Village Councillor of Alma; Susan MacCallum and one village resident.

#### 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 – June 8, 2020 Regular Council Meeting

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to adopt the meeting minutes of the June 8<sup>th</sup> 2020 Regular Council Meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### ADOPTION OF MINUTES – August 17, 2020 Special Council Meeting

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to adopt the meeting minutes of the August 17<sup>th</sup> 2020 Special Council Meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Dated July 13<sup>th</sup> 2020, from Jeff Carr –The Federal Gas Tax Fund Investment Plan was addressed and the funds have been received.
- b) Dated June 15<sup>th</sup> 2020, from Paul Cormier – Bicentennial Street Repairs were discussed but lack in financial support at this present time. The 2021 budget could expand this suggestion.
- c) Dated June 20<sup>th</sup> 2020, from Pancroma – Website Hosting Fee Waived for 6 Months. The Village Council wanted to express appreciation for Pancroma for their financial relief during Covid 19.

- d) Dated September 9<sup>th</sup> 2020 from Gordon James – “Trunk or Treat” was discussed and presented to Council. Council addressed concerns about Halloween but has decided to go ahead with regular Halloween activities pending Department of Public Health’s Guidelines.

#### MAINTENANCE REPORT

Public Works Supervisor and Mayor Jim Campbell checked the reservoir, and water levels were remaining near the spillway. Public Works Supervisor Wally Morrisey, and Village Clerk Kelsey Grieve have submitted the Annual Drinking Water Report. Public Works Supervisor Wally Morrisey will be writing his Certification Exam. The month of October will bring the Annual Water Audit.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

There was no Fire Department report presented for Tonight’s meeting.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Planning & Co-Ordination – Regional Service Commission has updated the Municipality with refunds from the 2020 Budget which will contribute to the 2021 budget.

Water & Sewer – Water levels are remaining stable. Due to water consumption levels being at a very low rate.

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Village Clerk Kelsey Grieve gave thanks to council for their support during this time of transition. The 2019 Financial Statements are being prepared to be presented to council from Stevenson & Partners. A detailed budget update will be given at next months meeting. The budgeting process for 2021 will be beginning within the next two weeks. Debbie Murray-Butland (Previous Village Clerk) wanted to give thanks to the Village Council for their Retirement Gift.

#### ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY BILLS

It was moved by Councillor Morrisey, seconded by Councillor Brewster to accept the bills for June, July, and August 2020. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### OLD BUSINESS

Harding Medical’s Provincial Fee for Certification. (Enabling Accessibility Project)

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to approve the \$500.00 Certification Fee for the chair lift each year.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### Potential Sale – Municipal Office Building

Engineered drawings will need to be done to relocate the Staircase. The Village Office will need the staircase relocated to have substantial storage.

#### Safe Affordable Housing

No headway due to Covid 19.

#### New Horizons Grant – Recreation Centre Kitchen Upgrades

Kitchen Equipment has been shipped and will be arriving soon. This will allow for the renovations to begin.

#### ICIP Applications – Street Upgrades

This application is pending.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### Keeping or Cancelling Halloween 2020

After a brief discussion the consensus of the Village Council was to allow Halloween within the Village. Allowing parents to make their own decision for their household. Pending Public Health's advice on the matter.

##### New Side by Side for the Fire Department

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to approve the purchase of the Side by Side for the Fire Department. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

##### Water Treatment Proposal

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to accept the Water Treatment Proposal as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

##### Proposal for By-Law Enforcements

After brief discussion among Council, with Councillor Susan MacCallum of the Village of Alma it was concluded that Council would attend a meeting with Maritime Enforcement Services Inc.

Riverside Consolidated School's use of the Recreation Centre

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to accept Riverside Consolidated School's Recreation Centre use at the rate of \$11,500.00 for the academic year of 2020-2021. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution to Re-Open the Recreation Centre for Birthday Parties, Sports, and Functions within their own Covid 19 Guidelines

It was moved by Councillor Brewster, seconded by Councillor Morrissey, to approve the re-opening of the Recreation Centre for birthday parties, sports, and functions within their own Covid 19 guidelines. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution to place \$74,535.00 (Gas Tax Fund)

It was moved by Councillor Morrissey, seconded by Councillor Brewster, to approve the Gas Tax Fund amount of \$74,535.00 to be placed into an RBC GIC. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution to approve Trunk or Treat being held at the Recreation Centre

It was discussed briefly. Will be reviewed again and allowing Halloween 2020 could change this correspondence.

October Council Meeting

Next months Council Meeting will be held on October 14<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 7:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 pm

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Mayor

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Village Clerk