

**Village of Belledune
Regular Meeting
February 4, 2008**

Time: 7:00 P.M.
Place: Belledune Municipal Chambers
Present: Mayor, Nick Duivenvoorden CAO - Clerk/Treasurer, Brenda Cormier
 Councillor, James Carrier
 Councillor, Michael Firlotte
 Councillor, Emmie Flanagan
Absent: Deputy Mayor, Ron Bourque

Mayor, Nick Duivenvoorden called the meeting to order.

Councillor, Emmie Flanagan delivered the Serenity Prayer.

Michael Firlotte moved that the amended agenda be adopted with additions, seconded by Emmie Flanagan. Motion carried.

Statement of Conflict of Interest: Nil

Presentations / Petitions / Delegations:

Trevor Furlotte, Belledune Archery Club Inc.

- Power Point Presentation – Archery Club Year End Report

Statements by Members of Council:

Mayor Duivenvoorden

- Clarification of statement made regarding comments about Tribune coverage of BHS Tragedy and in particular in reference to caption which was indeed the BHS Basketball Team logo. He retracts his statement and apologies for his comments, which were based upon inaccurate information.

Councillor, Flanagan

- Briefing on Heritage Days which will be held February 17 & 18, 2008 at Belledune Recreation & Cultural Centre.
- Winter Carnival Day Scheduled for March 8, 2008 at the Recreation / Arena area.

Reports:

Consultant, Mario Lapointe - Verbal Report

- Wind Power Project – Public Consultation Sessions targeted for March.
- Jacquet River Estuary Project – Working with the President of the Belledune Regional Environment Association to move the project forward.

Municipal Works Supervisor – Verbal Report

- Reoccurring water problem on Turgeon Road was addressed
- Shaw Group conducted Sprinkler Test and followed the proper protocol with the Village to access the Hydrants.
- New logo has been installed on the Two Ton Truck and Garbage Compactors.
- Bus inspection was done

Administration Report

- Chaleur Greening Initiative – Request for Funding
 - As directed by Council a follow up was done to see what other municipalities in the Chaleur Region were doing and so far none have made contributions. Some have said no and others have not decided yet.
- Arena Canteen Area – Tables & Chairs
 - The request is to have 3 small tables and 12 chairs to provide seating area for eating.
- Enerplan – Energy Management Program Proposal
 - Copy of Proposal was submitted in Council packages for consideration
 - The Gas Tax Fund and other funding programs will be utilized to do the municipal building energy savings retrofits as well as development of the Residential Energy Reduction Program.
- February 11, 2008 working session – Commence at 6:00 p.m. with Stonehouse Marketing providing an update on where there are in relation to the projects assigned and RCMP Sergeant Sawyer has requested 20 minutes for policing updates.

By-laws and Policies: Nil

Motions & Resolutions:

Michael Firlotte moved that the Council of Belledune create a Standing Committee of Council for the purpose of Recruiting a Business Development Officer, and Council appoint Jenna Doucet, Karen Roy, Mike Babin, Claude Doucet, Frank Culligan and one of the following at different stages of the process, Jay Hemenway, Doug Turner and Sue Stever, as Recruiting Committee members with the mandate to seek and find a qualified candidate for Business Development Officer and to make recommendation to Council regarding the employment of Business Development Officer, seconded by Emmie Flanagan. Motion Carried.

Michael Firlotte moved that the Village of Belledune approve for the Municipal Administrator, Brenda Cormier to assist the Recruiting Committee by providing municipal administrative and clerical assistance, seconded by James Carrier. Motion carried.

Emmie Flanagan moved that the following Resolution be adopted as presented, seconded by James Carrier. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS; the Jacquet River Estuary Project was spearheaded by the Belledune Regional Environment Association, in association with Ducks Unlimited Canada and was under the jurisdiction and to be managed by the Belledune Regional Environment Association; and

WHEREAS; the Project has received funding approvals from the NB Wildlife Trust Fund, the Environmental Trust Fund and the Village of Belledune and project applications to NB Wildlife Trust Fund and the Environmental Trust Fund outlined the labour portion of the Project was for hourly rates for a carpenter and helper; and

WHEREAS; due to unanticipated circumstances regarding Watercourse and Wetland Application and Building Permit Application the Project was delayed and in an attempt to have

the Project move forward local Contract companies were approached to submit quotations, without written specifications, for the construction of two Observation Decks, and did so; and

WHEREAS; due to building codes for Building Permit requiring engineered design for Observation Decks, local Contract companies were once again approached to submit quotations based on engineer designed drawing, without written specification, and did so; and

WHEREAS; due to an unintentional misunderstanding the municipal Council and Contractors were under the impression that this was a Village of Belledune project and must follow the Village of Belledune public procurement policy; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Village of Belledune without prejudice will compensate, A 1 Construction, J.G. Carpentry and J. Hilliard General Contracting the amount of \$500 each for their inconvenience.

James Carrier moved that the following Resolution be adopted as presented, seconded by Michael Firlotte. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS; the Bathurst High School (BHS) sports teams have challenges for out of town games due to the decision to suspend the use of 15-passenger vans to transport students to and from extra-curricular activities for the remainder of 2007-2008 school year; and

WHEREAS; this was the BHS sports teams only mode of transportation: and

WHEREAS; the Village of Belledune has a 24-passenger mini coach bus; and

WHEREAS; conditions for usage of the 24-passenger mini coach bus are outlined in the Village of Belledune – Bus Policy and in compliance with the Policy this use would not be a permitted use; and

WHEREAS the Village of Belledune wish to assist the Bathurst High School sports teams, in the interim; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Village of Belledune add the Bathurst High School to the list of eligible users for the municipal 24-passenger mini coach bus, on a request by request basis for sports teams and in accordance with the other conditions of the Policy for the remainder of 2007-2008 school year or until other travel arrangements have been secured, which ever comes first.

James Carrier moved that three (3) tables and twelve (12) chairs be purchase from Staples for the Veteran Memorial Centre Arena – canteen area for the estimated cost of \$600, seconded by Emmie Flanagan. Motion carried.

Michael Firlotte moved that services of Enerplan Consultants be retained by the Village of Belledune for “Energy Management Program” as outlined in their proposal for the cost of \$35,000 pending the approval of Gas Tax Fund Program, seconded by James Carrier. Motion carried.

Emmie Flanagan moved to pay out approximately \$1,400 to Impression Printing for 20 dry mount pictures on board and all script associated with event, (as per quote) seconded by Michael Firlotte. Motion carried.

Emmie Flanagan moved that Belledune purchase from Fairy Tyme Toys some sample replicas of historical type children’s toys for the cost of \$111 for Heritage Days, seconded by Michael Firlotte. Motion carried.

Correspondence In:

Michael Firlotte moved that Administrative Assistant, Nicole Carrier attend with Tourism Chaleur, Tourism Trade Shows in Ottawa and Halifax in April, 2008, seconded by Emmie Flanagan. Motion carried.

Citizens Proposal – Belledune Mini Coach Bus Custodian

James Carrier moved that the current Bus Custodian contract be terminated as per the Mini Coach (Bus) Custodian Agreement and the Contractor be given a written 90 day notice, as per the agreement, with the explanation that the Bus Custodian Agreement will be re-tendered with specifications for a broader scope of work, seconded by Michael Firlotte. Motion carried.

Donations /Advertizements:

Emmie Flanagan moved that Belledune make a \$50 donation to BullyingCanada.Ca, seconded by Michael Firlotte. Motion carried.

James Carrier moved that Belledune made a donation of \$100 for Shania Carrier for the AAA Acadie Chaleur Titan spring hockey team, seconded by Emmie Flanagan. Motion carried.

Michael Firlotte moved that Belledune place a ¼ page ad in the DRHS Lady Condor Hockey – Green and Gold Hockey Tournament program for the cost of \$50, seconded by Emmie Flanagan. Motion carried.

Correspondence In: continued

Chaleur Greening Initiative - Response from Chaleur Municipalities

NCSWC - Minutes and Agenda of Meeting

DOE - Approval of Municipal & Rural By-laws

DOE - Amendments to the Community Planning Act

Enterprise Chaleur - Growth Strategy Public Session

Shore Road Soil Study - Recent Media Reporting

Hockey New Brunswick – Reimbursements

Emmie Flanagan moved that Administrative Assistant, Nicole Carrier attends the Records Management Workshop in Fredericton on February 27 and 28, 2008, seconded by Michael Firlotte. Motion carried.

Correspondence Out:

Mr. Aurele Ferlatte - Motion for Support
M. Bouffard, BDPC - New Rural Plan Comments
Mr. Trevor Furlotte - Address Council

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. on a motion by James Carrier and seconded by Emmie Flanagan.

Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor