

**Village of Belledune
Regular Meeting
October 15, 2012**

Time: 7:00P.M.
Place: Belledune Municipal Chambers
Present: Mayor, Ronald Bourque
Councillor, Tracy Culligan
Councillor, Heather Frenette
Councillor, Jerry Guitard
Councillor, Mario Lapointe
Councillor, Gary Mazerolle
CAO, David Hughes
Clerk/Treasurer, Brenda Cormier

Mayor, Bourque called the meeting to order.

Mayor, Bourque requested a moment of silence in remembrance and particularly for the late Charles Killoran and Rene Francoeur.

Mario Lapointe moved that the agenda with addition of items under Motions and Resolutions and deletion of item under Clerk/Treasurer Report be approved, seconded by Jerry Guitard. Motion carried.

Tracy Culligan moved that the amended agenda be adopted, seconded by Mario Lapointe. Motion carried.

Statement of Conflict of Interest: Nil

Minutes & Business Arising from Minutes

Heather Frenette moved that the minutes of September 17, 2012, be adopted as presented, seconded by Gary Mazerolle. Motion carried.

Business Arising: Nil

Presentations / Petitions / Delegations:

- Restigouche SPCA – Presentation (Brenda Firlotte & Melinda Renner)
 - Revised Power point presentation was presented regarding the Restigouche SPCA and the new facilities project and fundraising status.

Statements by Members of Council:

Mayor, Bourque did an overview of his report for the month and wish to clarify two items – one being the dollar amount spent on “C” Force Memorial is approximately \$9,300 and also clarification on the statement made at Fire Committee meeting regarding insurance coverage in relation to fire services or no fire services.

- Monthly Report

Heather Frenette moved that Mayor Bourque’s Monthly Report be accepted as presented and approved for posting on Belledune Website, seconded by Tracy Culligan. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor, Lapointe reported on meetings attended and the preparation by NCSWC for roadside recycling program in January 2013.

Councillor, Culligan reported on meetings attended and the UMNB – Louise Breau Award was presented to Bob Harquail of Dalhousie.

Tracy Culligan moved that Belledune submit a letter of congratulations to Bob Harquail – recipient of the Louise Breau Award, seconded by Heather Frenette. Motion carried.

Councillor, Frenette reported on Human Resources Workshop attended and the UMNB Conference as well as other meetings. She also found the Gazebo on River Road.

Councillor, Guitard reported on meetings attended as well as the UMNB Conference.

Councillor, Mazerolle reported on meetings attendance as well as calls he has received and talks he had with seniors. The seniors want the bus back and there is road work being requested. Also he is happy with the decisions this Council has made so far.

He did refer to a call where he was asked if Council was making the decisions, to which he would like to state they are making 100% of the decisions.

Mayor, Bourque noted that he feels this comment may be reflected at him, and would like to state that his intention as Mayor is to make sure Council has all the information before making decisions, and if that is being perceived as he is making decisions that is incorrect. He intends to keep Council informed and be open and honest so they can make their decisions open and honestly.

Reports:

Administration Reports:

CAO, Hughes

- Award (4) Snow Removal Tender – SR1- 2012, SR2- 2012, SR3-2012, SR4 – W& WW
Jerry Guitard moved that Snow Removal Tenders be awarded to the lowest compliant bidders as follows, Snow Removal Tender, SR1-2012 to Woodcox Trucking for the amount of \$7,425.23 (HST included), Snow Removal Tender, SR2-2012 to L. Doucet & Sons for the amount of \$28,250.00 (HST included), Snow Removal Tender, SR3-2012 to Woodcox Trucking for the amount of \$14,634.63 (HST included), and Snow Removal Tender, SR4-W&WW to R. Murphy & Sons for the amount of \$5,198.00 (HST included), seconded by Gary Mazerolle. Motion carried

- E.M.O. Director/Coordinator

No applications to Flyer that was sent out. Previous EMO Director / Coordinator Lorenzo Grant said he will step if an Emergency arises.

There was application received today, it was past the deadline, but it will be reviewed and reported back to Council.

Clerk/Treasurer, Cormier

- Financial Reports – The Bank Statement was only received today so report was not prepared due to time constraint. A list of Accounts Payables was included in packages.

- Hand Held Operated Electronic (Mobile) Devices Policy

Jerry Guitard moved that the Village of Belledune accept the Hand Held Operated Electronic (Mobile) Devices Policy # MDU 10-2012 be adopted as presented, seconded by Heather Frenette. Motion carried.

- Belledune District Planning Commission – Appoint By-law Enforcement Officers

Jerry Guitard moved to appoint Yvon Frenette, Marcel Doiron, Jeannot Gionet and Marc Bouffard as Dangerous and/or Unsightly Premises By-law Enforcement Officers for the Village of Belledune, seconded by Tracy Culligan. Motion carried.

Motions & Resolutions:

- “C Force Memorial”

Mario Lapointe moved that the following Resolution regarding “C” Force Memorial be adopted by Council, seconded by Tracy Culligan. Motion carried.

Resolution

Whereas the Belledune Council acknowledges the hardships endured by the Hong Kong Veterans during their capture as prisoners of war in WW2;

And

Whereas the Belledune Council appreciates the work that the Hong Kong Veterans Commemorative Association does on behalf of the Hong Kong Veterans and their families;

And

Whereas the Belledune Council is in support of a “C” Force Memorial monument being erected in Belledune by the Hong Kong Veterans Commemorative Association;

And

Whereas as Belledune Council acknowledges that the Hong Kong Veterans Commemorative Association will be responsible for all the fundraising and administration of the project;

Therefore, be it Resolved that,

1. The Belledune Council allows the Hong Kong Veterans Commemorative Association to erect a monument on municipal property located next to the St. Gabriel Parish Church or an alternate piece of municipal property approved by Council;
2. The Belledune Council will provide the preliminary design information already prepared free of Charge to the Hong Kong Veterans Commemorative Association;
3. The Belledune Council will, upon proof of the Memorial being erected, make a contribution to the Hong Kong Veterans Commemorative Association up to \$25,000 for the construction of a “C” Force Memorial monument in Belledune.

- VAC Funding Application

Jerry Guitard moved that Belledune Council not accept the Contribution Agreement between Veterans Affairs Canada and the Village of Belledune through the Community War Memorial for the “C” Force War Memorial, seconded by Mario Lapointe. Motion carried.

- Send out a flier for Drug Awareness – Crime Stoppers/RCMP

Mayor Bourque removed himself from the chair so as to speak on the issue of Crime Stoppers / RCMP Drug Awareness session. Deputy Mayor, Lapointe assumed the chair. Upon completion of information sharing, Mayor Bourque reassumed the chair.

Heather Frenette moved that the Belledune Council cover the cost of sending out a flier on behalf of Crime Stoppers and the RCMP for a Drug Awareness Session to be held at the Jacquet River School in October or November, 2012, seconded by Gary Mazerolle. Motion carried.

Councillor, Tracy Culligan declared a Conflict of Interest on the Personnel Motion and filed with the Clerk. She vacated the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

- Personnel Motion

Mario Lapointe moved that the Council of Belledune hereby eliminate the position of Community (Economic) Development Officer and the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign all documents relating to this issue, seconded by Gary Mazerolle. Motion carried.

Councillor, Culligan returned to the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

- Board of Directors of AMANB – Clerk /Treasurer Cormier

Heather Frenette moved that Brenda Cormier as a board member of AMANB, be authorized to attend meetings and associated travel expenses be approved, seconded by Jerry Guitard. Motion carried.

- Durham Harbour – Offer of Ownership, deadline extended to end of October.

- Fire Department – Independent Review

Jerry Guitard moved that the Village of Belledune hire, James Maker, at a total cost of \$3,600, to do an independent evaluation of the Belledune Volunteer Fire Department, seconded by Mario Lapointe. Motion carried.

Correspondence In:

Entreprise Chaleur - 2013 Budget Proposal

Mr. Rayburn Doucett, Belledune Port Authority - Notice of Appointment of Municipal Director

Donations /Advertizements:

Jerry Guitard moved that Belledune make the following donations; use of Jack's Room at Belledune Recreation & Cultural Centre free of charge for French Course as requested by Sandenn Killoran, \$250 to The Northern Stars hockey team as request by Shania Carrier, \$100 to the Kidney Foundation and \$100 to Tree of Hope, and approve advertizing of two (2) ads in the Acadie-Bathurst Tourism Map at the cost of \$590 each and ¼ page ad for the Crime Prevention Association of NB publication, seconded by Tracy Culligan. Motion carried.

Correspondence In: continued

BDPC - Monthly Report - September 2012

Library - Monthly Reports - August & September

BDPC - Unsightly & Dangerous Premises

NCSWC - Notice of Regular Meeting and Minutes

FCM - Queen's Diamond Jubilee Nominations

Correspondence Out:

Mr. Charles Hickey - Roherty Rd.

Public Comments & Questions:

- Time of day for Drug Awareness Session at Jacquet River School
- Error made by Mayor in reference to letter in Newspaper – Letter to Editor (“C” Force Memorial)
- Refusal of VAC \$50,000 offer is an insult
- Elimination of Economic Development Officer position and Andy Flanagan’s accomplishments.
- Comments made in the last Tribune by Mayor Bourque regarding Durham Harbour – feels Mayor is swaying Council

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 P.M. on a motion by Heather Frenette and seconded by Jerry Guitard. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor