



## REGULAR MEETING

Town of Richibucto  
May 17, 2022

The regular meeting of May 17, 2022, was called to order at 7 p.m.

Present                    Stella Richard (Mayor)  
                                 Dwayne Thompson (Deputy Mayor)  
                                 Dennis Mazerolle, Lucie Vautour & Marc Babineau (Councillors)  
                                 Melanie Savoie & Christine Richard (General Managers)  
                                 Mireille Leblanc (Secretary)

### WELCOME VISITORS

Council welcomes all visitors present at the meeting.

### REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

22-61

It was moved by Councillor Thompson that the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- 7 iii.) *Coastal Shell Products – Public Meeting*
- 7 iv.) *JPKN development project and old ballfield benches*
  
- 8 ii.) *Motion (appointment – By Law Enforcement officer)*

Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

### DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mazerolle declares a conflict of interest for item 7 iv.) JPKN development project.

### APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

22-62

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 19, 2022 be adopted with the following corrections on the French document:

Pages 4/5/6 to change “le conseiller Vautour” to “la conseillère Vautour.”

Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nothing to report.

CORRESPONDENCE

*i. Funding request (Soleil Levant School)*

We received a letter from Sonia Richard, Community Development Officer for Soleil Levant School in Richibucto, asking for a donation to update their community playground as they are still short of their fundraising goals. Suggestions were made by council members to offer fundraising profits from certain Scallop Festival activities. However, no formal decision was made. This item will be brought forward to the next meeting.

*ii. Fibromyalgia Awareness Day*

We received an email requesting that the town of Richibucto light up in purple on May 12<sup>th</sup> to recognize Fibromyalgia Awareness Day: Mireille added a post (in purple) on the town's electronic billboard last Thursday.

*iii. International day against homophobia & transphobia*

We received an email requesting that the town of Richibucto help raise awareness on May 17<sup>th</sup> for the International Day against homophobia & transphobia: Mireille added a post (in rainbow colors) on the town's electronic billboard to outline this day.

*iv. Notre-Dame Congregation of Saint-Louis-de-Kent (nuns)*

We received an email from L'Acadie Nouvelle asking us to put a thank you message in their June 25<sup>th</sup> special edition newspaper that would mark the departure of the Nuns of the Congregation of Notre-Dame. Council decides to pass on this request at this time, as the ad purchase would not benefit the nuns directly: They agree to write a personal letter of thanks instead.

*v. Letter from Paul Robichaud*

We received an email from Mr. Paul Robichaud requesting that the Town of Richibucto review and upgrade their new construction incentive to not only provide a 3-year water & sewer credit, but to also pay to bring the water & sewer services to his property line. Council decides to gather more information before making a decision and this item will be brought forward to the next meeting.

*vi. Firefighters Awards Ceremony*

We received an email from Melvin Johnson (Fire Chief) inviting Mayor and Town Council members to their Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. General Manager Savoie will confirm attendees with Mr. Johnson.

**vii. 44<sup>th</sup> Acadian Games Finals in 2025**

We received an email to inform council of the opening of the selection process for a municipality to host the Acadian Games Finals in the year 2025.

**22-63**

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the Town of Richibucto attend a mandatory information session on Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in zoom format, in order to become eligible to apply to host the 44<sup>th</sup> Acadian Game Finals in 2025. Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

**viii. KRSC – new building inspector**

**22-64**

WHEREAS Austin Fillmore has been hired as a Building Inspector at the KRSC this past May.

It is therefore resolved that the Richibucto Municipal Council nominate Austin Fillmore as a Building inspector for the Town of Richibucto, in order to allow him to perform the required inspections in our territory under the authority 71(2) of the construction by-law.

Moved by councillor Mazerolle and seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**i. Approval of the report on climate change**

**22-65**

It was moved by councillor Babineau that the Climate Change report be accepted as presented. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

**ii. “Boussole” Daycare rezoning**

**22-66**

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle to proceed with the rezoning request of the daycare “La Boussole” in order to change the zoning of lot (25139403) from ‘single and two-family residential’ (R1) to ‘community’ since no objections were received. Seconded by councillor Vautour. Motion carried

**iii. Coastal Shell Products – Public Meeting**

Town Council will be organizing a public meeting in June with Coastal Shell Products to address questions and concerns from the citizens in our municipality. Mireille will create a mailout and Facebook post to ask citizens to submit any questions & concerns they may have (in writing) before June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, in order to make a list of topics to be addressed during the public meeting. More details to come.

iv. *JPKN development project and old ball field benches*

A citizen in town approached council to ask if it was possible to gather the wood from the benches at the old ball field. Council agrees. Mireille will contact him to advise.

22-67

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the land at the old ball field be given, not sold, to the JPKN developers once conditions and requirements set forth by town council have been met. Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

i. *UMNB annual conference Oct. 7-9<sup>th</sup>*

Councillor Thompson confirms that he will be attending the annual conference in October.

ii. *Motion (appointment – By Law Enforcement officer)*

22-68

WHEREAS Council has adopted various By-Laws;

WHEREAS in accordance with Section 72 of the *Local Governance Act* C. 18, Council may appoint By-Law Enforcement Officers for the Local Government and determine their mandate.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following persons are appointed a **Park Ranger/By-Law Enforcement Officer** of the Local Government in accordance with the *Local Governance Act (Act)* and the *Police Act* to enforce By-Law 21-04 of the Municipality.

**Mya LIDSTONE & Breania HENRY**

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT the above-mentioned appointments include all generalities as prescribed by By-Law, the *Act*, the Regulations of the *Act*, the *Police Act* and all other Acts and Regulations of the Province of New Brunswick;

AND THAT the position of Park Ranger/By-Law Enforcement Officer is employed for the preservation and maintenance of the public peace within the territorial boundaries of the Local Government;

AND THAT the By-Law Enforcement Officer of the Local Government exercise their discretion according to the files given to them by the clerk or during patrols of the Local Government;

AND THAT the above-mentioned appointments continues as long as the Officers are retained by the Local Government.

Proposed by councillor Thompson and seconded by councillor Babineau on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of the month of May 2022. Motion carried.

KENT PLANNING COMMISSION

Report presented.

KENT SOLID WASTE COMMISSION

Report presented.

FIRE REPORT

Report presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

22-69

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the financial report be accepted as presented.  
Seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

WATER & SEWERAGE REPORT

Report presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

*i. General Managers*

Report presented.

*ii. Dennis Mazerolle, councillor*

AFMNB meeting: councillor Mazerolle was unable to attend due to prior engagements.

Recreational Council update: the meeting will be moved to June, and more details will be made public as they become available.

22-70

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that his report be accepted as presented. Seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

*iii. Dwayne Thompson, councillor*

Chamber of Commerce update: all chambers will be meeting next week to discuss the amalgamation. More details to come.

22-71

It was moved by councillor Thompson that his report be accepted as presented. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

iv. *Lucie Vautour, councillor*

Nothing to report.

v. *Marc Babineau, councillor*

UMNB (union of the municipalities of NB) update: Councillor Babineau attended a zoom meeting last Thursday on the amalgamation. Topics of discussion were the new region names, the new administrative structure, job positions, etc. There were many unanswered questions. More details to come.

22-72

It was moved by councillor Babineau that his report be accepted as presented. Seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

vi. *Stella Richard, mayor*

AFMNB ("association francophone des municipalités du N.-B.") update: Annual conference will be held in Edmundston from October 14 to 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022. More details to come.

22-73

It was moved by Mayor Stella Richard that her report be accepted as presented. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS

(PUBLIC INTERVENTIONS & HEARING OF REQUESTS)

Council addresses questions and concerns from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

22-74

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the meeting be adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Melanie Savoie  
Clerk

Stella Richard  
Mayor