



REGULAR MEETING

**Town of Richibucto
July 20, 2021**

The regular meeting of July 20, 2021 was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

WELCOME VISITORS

Anne-Marie Leach
JoAnne Robichaud
Joan Dugas
Louise Richard-Martin

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

21-62

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the agenda be adopted as presented.
Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Mayor Richard declares a conflict of interest on the following item:
7 (ii) Invoice - River Street

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

21-63

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 15, 2021 be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Thompson.
Motion carried.

21-64

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the minutes of the special meeting of June 8, 2021 be adopted with the following correction to the English document:
Motion 21-57 (adjournment) moved by councillor Thompson and not councillor G. Richard. Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

No report to present.

CORRESPONDENCES

- i. *The Friends of the Moncton Hospital Foundation*
Letter received requesting a donation for the above-mentioned Foundation.
The Board concluded not to make a donation this year.
- ii. *Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents/Private Member's Bill C-313
Banning Symbols of Hate Act*

21-65

On behalf of the residents, the Mayor and Council members of the Town of Richibucto endorse MP Peter Julian's private member's motion, Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents and his private member's bill (Bill C-313) banning Symbols of Hate Act.

- iii. *Crime Prevention Association of New Brunswick*
Letter received requesting a donation for the above-mentioned Association.
The board concluded not to make a donation this year, as they prefer to support local organizations.
- iv. *Elsipogtog Pow-Wow*
Letter received requesting a donation to the Pow Wow Committee, as the community suffered the tragic loss of the recreation center last October due to a fire. The committee had stored all its contents in the arena and unfortunately it was a total loss at a cost of \$20,000 which will not be covered by the insurance company.

21-66

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the Town of Richibucto make a donation of \$1,500 to help the Elsipogtog Pow-Wow Committee. Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

- v. *AFMNB Annual Convention*
The Mayor and Council have received an invitation to the AFMNB Annual Convention to be held on October 15, 16 and 17, 2021 in Moncton. The mayor (Stella Richard), Councillor Dennis Mazerolle and Councillor Lucie Vautour will be attending.

- vi. *Charles Richard's ideas on tourism*
E-mail received from Mr. Charles Richard sharing his ideas for developing tourism in the Town of Richibucto. Council concludes that these are all good ideas, but that we are presently lacking volunteers to help organize these activities and money to finance all these projects. Councillor Thompson discussed the possibility of offering sailing lessons for local youth and Councillor Babineau discussed the possibility of offering resources at Town Hall for people who are interested in specific activities. More details to come.
- vii. *Englobe Letter (Water Treatment Plant Improvements)*
On July 6, bids for the above contract were opened and only one bid was received by Suez WTS -Canada in the amount of \$1,290,300. After discussing the bid with them, Englobe is satisfied with the price and specifications presented and has determined that their bid is correct and acceptable.

21-67

It was moved by Councillor Thompson that the Town of Richibucto accept the tender from Suez WTS-Canada in the amount of \$1,290,300.00 for the Vautour Lane water treatment plant improvements. Moved by Councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- i. *La Boussole daycare*
The request for an outdoor play area in the Anchor parking lot has been completed. Cones are placed during the play period to ensure safety of the children and are removed when the session is over.
- ii. *Invoice – River Street*
Mayor Richard leaves the meeting due to a conflict of interest. Melanie Savoie, General Manager, chairs the meeting in her absence.

21-68

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the Town of Richibucto settle the account with the firm McInnis Cooper since the former mayor, Roger Doiron, refuses to pay the invoice. Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

- iii. *Driveway entry change from Acadie Street to Cunard Street*
The changes that Mr. Normand Fontaine was in charge of, have been completed. The sidewalk repairs will be done eventually and will not cost the city anything.

- vi. *Global Windows – purchase of lot in industrial park*
The Town of Richibucto has a piece of land for sale in the industrial park and General Manager Savoie has been approached by Global Windows and two other interested parties to purchase the land.

21-69

It was moved by councillor Babineau that the Town of Richibucto divide the lot at the industrial park in 3 parts in order to maximize revenues, and that the land be evaluated before proposing a price to the interested parties. Seconded by councillor Vautour. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- i. *By-Law on Fires*

21-70

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the first reading of by-law 21-06, being the by-law respecting outside fires and fireworks be adopted with the following amendment:

5 (b) merchants may sell fireworks, and citizens may purchase them, however they may not be used within the limits of the Town of Richibucto.

Seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

21-71

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the second reading of by-law 21-06, being the by-law respecting outside fires and fireworks be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Vautour. Motion carried.

- ii. *By-Law on cats*

We have received complaints about some cats in town. Since the by-law officers have a meeting in August with the NB-SPCA, they propose to wait to adopt a new by-law on cats in order to have more information on what can be done.

- iii. *August meeting*

The regular council meeting will be cancelled for the month of August 2021. The next meeting will be held in September.

- iv. *Golf/Bouncy Castles*

We have additional funds remaining in the Youth Golf Tournament account.

21-72

Councillor Babineau moves that the Town of Richibucto purchase a bouncy castle for children of the community since our current equipment is no longer functional or safe. He proposes that we evaluate the prices of used equipment to see if we can find something acceptable. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

v. *Building inspector nominations*

21-73

WHEREAS Caroline Roy has been hired as a Development officer/Building inspector at the KRSC this past June.

WHEREAS the Town of Richibucto council can nominate Caroline Roy as a Building inspector under article 71(2) LGA in order to serve their incorporated area.

WHEREAS Caroline Roy has completed her Civil Technologies diploma.

WHEREAS this nomination will be helpful in uptraining a valuable inspection experience that will be critical to obtain a level 1.

It is therefore resolved that the Richibucto Municipal Council nominate Caroline Roy as a Building inspector so as to fulfill her summer project duties. Moved by councillor Babineau and seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

21-74

WHEREAS Paul Pellerin has been hired as a Development officer/Building inspector at the KRSC this past June for a summer project.

WHEREAS the Richibucto Municipal council can nominate Paul Pellerin as a Building inspector under article 71(2) LGA in order to serve their incorporated area for the summer months.

WHEREAS Paul Pellerin has completed his first year of the Civil Technologies diploma.

WHEREAS this nomination will be helpful in uptraining a valuable inspection experience for his college training.

It is therefore resolved that the Richibucto Municipal Council nominate Paul Pellerin as a Building inspector so as to fulfill his summer project duties. Moved by councillor Vautour and seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

vi. *MF Leblanc Lot*

The Town of Richibucto has a piece of land for sale in the industrial park and General Manager Savoie has been approached by Mr. MF Leblanc to purchase it in order to expand his current lot. More details to come.

vii. *Laurie Leblanc Lot*

The Town of Richibucto has a piece of land for sale in the industrial park and General Manager Savoie has been approached by Mr. Laurie Leblanc to purchase it in order to build a warehouse. More details to come.

viii. *Amendment to Jardine Park By-Law*

21-75

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the first reading of the amendment to By-Law 21-04, being the Town of Richibucto Jardine Municipal Park By-Law, be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

21-76

It was moved by councillor Babineau that the second reading of the amendment to By-Law 21-04, being the Town of Richibucto Jardine Municipal Park By-Law, be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

ix. *Golf tournament (teams)*

Council members discuss the possibility of forming a team for the Youth Golf Tournament, either a team for the Council and a team for the employees, or a mixed team. More details to come.

x. *Golf tournament committee*

Council members discuss the possibility of forming a committee comprised of a General Manager and a Council member to help allocate funds collected during the tournament. More details to come.

KENT PLANNING COMMISSION

The report was presented for information.

KENT SOLID WASTE COMMISSION

No report.

FIRE REPORT

The report was presented for information.

WATER & SEWERAGE REPORT

The report was presented for information.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- i. *General Managers*
Report was presented for information.
- ii. *AFMNB/ Environment (Dennis Mazerolle)*
No report to present.
- iii. *Port Authority/ Chamber of Commerce/ Economic Development (Dwayne)*
No report to present.
- iv. *BIA/ Recreation Council (Lucie Vautour)*
No report to present.
- v. *UMNB/ Scallop Festival (Marc Babineau)*
No report to present.
- vi. *Mayors Forum/ KRSC/ Library (Stella Richard)*
No report to present.

DELEGATION & PETITIONS **(PUBLIC INTERVENTION AND HEARING OF REQUEST)**

- i.) *Joanne Robichaud*
She addressed the council and asked if we have a plan to attract businesses to the area. This is something that the Chamber of Commerce is continually working on.
- ii.) *Joan Dugas*
She asked Council members to clarify each of their responsibilities and the committees they sit on.
- iii.) *Anne-Marie Leach*
She addressed Council on several items, namely a beautification project in collaboration with the Port Authority/wharf, a fountain in the pond behind the Information Centre, the possibility of the O'Leary House becoming a heritage house and stairs to access the beach at the small park near Beau-Rivage Street.

ADJOURNMENT

21-61

Councillor Thompson proposed that the meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Melanie Savoie
Clerk

Stella Richard
Mayor