



REGULAR MEETING

Town of Richibucto
August 18th, 2020

The regular meeting held on August 18th, 2020, was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Roger Doiron, Deputy Mayor Dennis Mazerolle, Gerard Richard, Stella Richard and Dwayne Thompson councillors. Mélanie Savoie Clerk, Christine Richard and Sonia Mazerolle, secretary.

20-88

It was moved by councilor G. Richard that the agenda be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor S. Richard. Motion carried.

20-89

It was moved by councilor Thompson that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 21st be adopted as presented. This was seconded by Mazerolle. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Non-secured garbage

Mélanie found a bylaw for unsecured garbage bins for Quebec businesses and presented the information to the council. Councilor Mazerolle mentions that he went to Alma and St-Martins in NB and that they had a bylaw that might be more suitable for a community close to water, so that the garbage does not go into the stream. Mélanie will check their bylaw on unsecured bins.

Retirement plan closing date

It was agreed to terminate the retirement plan, but no date was chosen. Mélanie will give the information on the retirement plan to read before the next meeting and will propose a date so that the council can make an informed decision.

Public Works

The deadline to apply was Friday, August 14th. We have ten resumes and will start the interviews soon.

No parking zone in front of the wharf

Mélanie has sent an email and is waiting for a response for a no-parking zone in front of the wharf due to security reasons.

Christmas Parade

Mélanie checked and the Moncton parade was not cancelled, the town's parade is still underway, unless we have instructions to cancel.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Report – Allocation Committee

The mayor handed them the report the allocation committee prepared, asked them to read it and said they would discuss the details at the next council meeting.

Five-year plan

The mayor asked council to start thinking about nominating a council member to lead the five-year plan and appoint him at the next meeting. Then they can work as a team to prepare the plan. Mélanie will send the materials to read and information on what can be added to the plan.

20-90

The Kent Planning Commission report was presented for information;

The Kent Solid Waste Commission report was presented for information;

The Fire Report was presented for information

Jardine Municipal Park Report – The park has been full every weekend this summer. There are 75 seasonal campers and there are only a few who haven't paid, but they will pay before the end of the season. The electricity improvement project is completed for this year. We have to close one of the bathrooms in the park at 5:00 p.m. due to vandalism.

The Water & Sewerage report was presented for information;

The Recreation,Culture and Tourism report was presented for information;

The Financial Report was presented. Deputy Mayor Denis Mazerolle asks for a slightly more detailed plan of the financial report. To plan a financial recovery, a development and expansion plan. Find solutions to maximize our infrastructure to offset the deficit at the centre.

20-91

It was proposed by councilor Mazerolle that the financial report dated July 31st be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor Thompson. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

General manager – Activity Report

The bylaw officers another aesthetic site to the list. The contract for the SPCA has been signed.

Mélanie is going to release the cleaning contract in September because it expires in December.

She advises the council that the UMNB AGM via Zoom will be on Sunday, October 4 and to advise Sonia if they want to attend the meeting. We will have more information at the beginning of September.

20-92

It was proposed by councilor S. Richard the report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

UMNB, Animation and Promotion –
No report available

Recreation Council, Port authority and Infrastructure –
Councilor Mazerolle advises council that the first recreation council meeting since Covid will take place in September.

Port Authority, Dwayne advises council that per the bylaw someone from town should be on the committee. They are expanding and going to make repairs.

20-93

It was proposed by councilor Mazerolle that the report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor G. Richard. Motion carried.

Chamber of Commerce, CBDC and Economic Development Committee –
There was no meeting this month.

Scallop Festival, Environment and Wellness –
No report

Forum des maires, AFMNNB, ZAA et Comité Mission et Vision –

Mayor Doiron advises council that the forum des maires will take place in September in Cocagne. AFMNB's AGM will be on Zoom. The BIA will invest in the park in front of Léonide, Northland Design is working on the project.

- The twelve panels are ready to be installed. They should be installed before fall.

- Francis Rioux advises Mayor Doiron that the contract for the water project will be sent.

- He met Claude Gagnon, promoter of Liverpool Street. He had two letters 2001 and 2007 with an agreement that the town would pay him \$100,000.00 if he developed that area, according to him. Only five houses were built, so it was not developed according to the agreement.

- Marc Paulin presented a prototype curtain project that goes from the ceiling to the floor to improve the sound at the centre. It would cost about \$ 2,000 per panel and it would take about 50 panels, for a total of \$100,000. We have to ask Crandall if it's possible to screw the anchors in, as there are concerns about putting screws in the ceiling. If it is possible, we could try to find funds in certain cultural projects.

- Mayor Doiron has a meeting with André Daigle, lawyer, on Thursday, August 20th. He was highly recommended by Yves Robichaud, lawyer, because he is a specialist of law in this department. Yves felt he was better suited for a lawsuit in a municipality, because it is not his area of expertise.

- Mayor Doiron advises council that he is part of the Ste-Anne-de-Kent Health Service committee. They are trying to get more quality services in the hospital, such as a cancer clinic, dialysis services, etc.

- Cheryl Arsenault, owner of the NAPA in Richibucto met with Mayor Doiron to discuss the property in front of the Centre, the ball field. He advises the council to start thinking about what could be done with this land, see how we could promote development in the town.
- We received an email from Paulette Girvan, she congratulated the town for its community spirit and said the main street was lovely.

20-94

Mayor Doiron propose his report. This was seconded by councilor G. Richard. Motion carried.

AJOURNEMENT

20-95

Councilor S. Richard proposed adjournment at 8:45 p.m.

Mélanie Savoie
Clerk

Roger Doiron
Mayor