



REGULAR MEETING

Town of Richibucto
June 21, 2022

The regular meeting of June 21, 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

22-75

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

- 6 ix.) *Rexton Parade*
- 6 x.) *Translation Services*

Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts declared.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

22-76

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 17, 2022 be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Vautour. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nothing to report.

CORRESPONDENCE

i. Coalition of Concerned Citizens

Council received an invitation from the Coalition of Concerned Citizens of NB to attend one of their events in June which will feature panel discussions on change for NB communities, education and health reform. Council members were unable to attend on proposed dates, however since general public was also invited, Mr. Stuart Wallace said he would attend the meeting on June 22nd in Miramichi and report back to us at a later date on what was discussed. More details to come.

ii. MACS-NB Membership

22-77

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the Town of Richibucto renew their membership, at a cost of \$50, with MACS-NB (Mouvement Acadien des Communautés en Santé du N.-B.) for the year 2022. Seconded by councillor Vautour. Motion carried.

iii. Email from Nic Curwin

We received an email from Nic Curwin expressing his disappointment to hear that the Town of Richibucto was not food-truck friendly, as he feels there are very few options for food in Town, especially near the waterfront. Council explained that food trucks are welcome in Town and that vendor permits can be purchased at Town Hall at a cost of 600\$/year. Councillor Babineau proposes a motion to review the vendor permit fee and to survey the public to see where they stand regarding this. Motion was not seconded and was dismissed, as other council members brought up the following points: a) businesses in town pay taxes year-round therefore 600\$/year is a small price to pay for a yearly permit compared to what our local businesses pay, and b) all by-laws will need to be reviewed in the new year anyhow, because of the amalgamation.

iv. Crime prevention association of New Brunswick

22-78

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the Town of Richibucto purchase a publication of ¼ page in colour, at a cost of \$470, for the CPANB Family Violence Awareness Booklet. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

v. 68th AGM United Way Greater Moncton and Southeastern NB Region Inc.

We received an invitation to the United Way AGM on June 28th in Moncton. Council members are not able to attend the event.

vi. GNB Wellness Initiative

We received an email Gabrielle Dubé (wellness at work assistant) asking us to offer a preferred membership rate at the CKN gym for Government of NB employees. General Manager Richard will reply to her email to find out how many local employees are showing interest in this initiative. More details to come.

vii. Letter regarding Rural Communities

We received a letter from the shadow and deputy-shadow ministers for Rural Economic Development and Rural Broadband Strategy as they are seeking to convene a town hall meeting with council members to address federal funding for rural communities. Deputy-Mayor Thompson suggests that, as requested on their letter, we reply with the 3 most important issues impacting our economic development as a rural community. More details to come.

viii. Email from Imperial

Council reviews an email from Daniel Arseneau (Health & Safety Manager) at Imperial Manufacturing Group asking if it would be possible to add the following at or near their building:

- Speed bumps/Speed limit signs
- Paint cross lines for their 3 crossings and add a pedestrian crossing light at the main road crossing
- Add an additional pedestrian crossing sign before their building when driving into the industrial park

General Manager Savoie will look into what can be done, as some items may have to be taken care of by the department of transportation. More details to come.

ix. Rexton Parade

We have received a letter from the Village of Rexton inviting Richibucto Town Council to participate in their Canada Day Parade on July 1st. General Manager Savoie will advise them that council agreed to participate by putting a float in the parade.

x. Translation Services

We received an email from Francine Babineau, advising that she is resigning as our Town Hall meeting translator, effective today. Council thanks Francine for her many years of services to the Town.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

i. Soleil Levant School (funding request)

Councillor Mazerolle will discuss with past members of the recreation council to see if there's a possibility of making a donation to the school with some of the remaining funds. More details to come.

ii. Letter from Paul Robichaud

General Manager Savoie has sent Mr. Robichaud an email in response to the request made at our May council meeting. However, we are still waiting on his reply. More details to come.

NEW BUSINESS

i. Aboriginal Flag

The Town of Richibucto received a request to fly the aboriginal flag in town, and it was confirmed that we would do so at the CKN arena as we have an extra flag pole that can be utilized for this purpose.

KENT PLANNING COMMISSION

Report presented.

KENT SOLID WASTE COMMISSION

No report.

FIRE REPORT

Report presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

22-79

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 for information.

ii. Dennis Mazerolle, councillor

The Coastal Shell public meeting was held on Monday, June 20th at town hall; All past members of the recreation council agreed to transfer the remaining funds to the Town of Richibucto to help fund future recreational activities.

22-80

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

iii. *Dwayne Thompson, councillor*

The Chamber of Commerce meeting was held on Monday, June 20th; however, councillor Thompson did not receive the meeting minutes yet. More details to come.

22-81

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

iv. *Lucie Vautour, councillor*

Nothing to report.

v. *Marc Babineau, councillor*

The next UMN (union of municipalities of NB) meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 23rd. The Scallop festival schedule is now complete, music has been booked and things are coming along very well.

22-82

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

vi. *Stella Richard, Mayor*

The mayor has been busy with many local governance meetings, as well as scallop festival committee meetings. They still need more volunteers for the Scallop Festival, and if anyone is interested, they are asked to call Town Hall.

22-83

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

DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS

(PUBLIC INTERVENTIONS & HEARING OF REQUESTS)

Council addresses questions and concerns from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

22-84

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the meeting be adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Melanie Savoie
Clerk

Stella Richard
Mayor