



REGULAR MEETING

**Town of Richibucto
September 21, 2021**

The regular meeting of September 21, 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

Louise Richard-Martin
Anne-Marie Leach
Glenda Hurley
Joan Dugas
Yvonne Léger
Joanne Robichaud
Mary Sullivan

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

21-78

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

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts presented.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

21-79

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the minutes of the July 20, 2021 regular meeting be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Vautour. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- i. *Elsipogtog Pow Wow*
The Pow Wow scheduled for this summer had to be cancelled due to cases of Covid-19 in the community of Elsipogtog.
- ii. *May 1st firefighter report updated*
The report has been updated with the missing details.

CORRESPONDENCES

- i. *Motion M-1 for a Green New Deal & Motion M-94 to stop the Trans Mountain pipeline project*

21-80

On behalf of the residents, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Richibucto support motion M-1 which would promote an economic reorientation to take into account the climate emergency we are facing as part of the Canadian Green New Deal. Moved by councillor Mazerolle and seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

21-81

On behalf of the residents, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Richibucto support Motion M-94 to stop the Trans Mountain Oil Pipeline Expansion. Moved by councillor Babineau and seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

- iii. *Portage – Freedom From Addiction*
Letter received requesting a donation for the above-mentioned association. Council concludes to respond to their email and thank them for the information presented, as well as to advise them that we will not be making a donation this year as they prefer to support local organizations.
- iv. *Make-a-Wish Canada (NB Region)*
Letter received requesting support from Jardine Municipal Park to help grant a child's fondest wish by hosting a camping fundraiser next summer. Children's Wish Canada has granted over 45 camping wishes in New Brunswick alone. These wishes allow children with life-threatening illnesses to get away to the great outdoors with their loved ones.

21-82

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the Town of Richibucto accept the request of Children's Make-A-Wish Canada for the summer of 2022. Seconded by councillor Vautour. Motion carried.

v. *Letter from Jody Pratt*

Email received from Mr. Jody Pratt requesting a credit on the water & sewer account for the Galley Grill (located on the Richibucto wharf at 9361 Main Street).

21-83

It was moved by councillor Babineau that the Town of Richibucto send an email in response to Jody Pratt's request, advising him that we are not able to credit this account in fairness to other businesses in town, as many other small businesses have also been suffering since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic. Furthermore, he proposed that this business be connected directly to the town's water and sewer system, as this is how it should be for all businesses in the community. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

vi. *Decoding Dyslexia NB*

Email received requesting our support during International Dyslexia Awareness Month by lighting our City Hall or other available buildings in red for one day during their second annual "Mark it Red for Dyslexia" campaign. Council concluded that we will add a message on the bulletin board at Town Hall and at the CKN arena: we will also put a message on Facebook to encourage citizens to participate!

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

i. *Third reading of municipal by-law 21-06 respecting outside fires and fireworks*

21-84

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the third reading of by-law 21-06, being the by-law regarding open-air fires and fireworks be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

ii. *Third reading of municipal by-law respecting Jardine Municipal Park*

21-85

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the third 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 Babineau. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- i. *Rezoning Route 134 (Joel Bossé)*

21-86

It was moved by councillor Thompson that we ask the Kent Regional Service Commission to evaluate Global Windows & Doors' project to change the parcel of land (25127465 and 25385188) from "Industrial" to "Residential Multifamily" and that an amendment be made to change the zoning for NID 25127465 and 2538511. This was seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

- ii. *Tenders (snow removal)*

21-87

It was moved by councillor Vautour that the Town of Richibucto accept the tender by Warren Ready Mix for the streets snow removal for a total of \$668 150 extended on a 3-year period. Seconded by councillor Thompson. Motion carried.

21-88

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the Town of Richibucto accept the tender by Warren Ready Mix for the municipal parking lots snow removal for a total of \$162 380 extended on a 3-year period. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

- iii. *Sept. 30th – holiday?*

21-89

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that our municipal infrastructures be closed on September 30th in respect of the Aboriginal communities on the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

- iv. *Meeting room during new town hall construction?*

Council concluded that municipal council meetings would be held at the Anchor Multipurpose Centre during the construction of the new Richibucto Town Hall.

KENT PLANNING COMMISSION

Report presented.

KENT SOLID WASTE COMMISSION

Report presented.

FIRE REPORT

Report presented.

WATER & SEWERAGE REPORT

Report presented: first and second notices have been sent for overdue accounts. Over \$37,000 recovered to date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- i. *General Managers*
Report presented.

- ii. *AFMNB/ Environment (Dennis Mazerolle)*
Report presented.

- iii. *Port Authority/ Chamber of Commerce/ Economic Development (Dwayne)*
Report presented: councillor Thompson contacted the Atlantic Chamber of Commerce regarding the possibility of obtaining Covid-19 testing kits. They will be able to offer them to their members within the next few months.

21-90

It was moved by councillor Thompson that the Chamber of Commerce report be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Babineau. Motion carried.

- iv. *BIA/ Recreation Council (Lucie Vautour)*
No report.

- v. *UMNB/ Scallop Festival (Marc Babineau)*
Report presented: for the UMNB, information sessions will be offered on Zoom throughout the month of September and the AGM will be held on October 3rd.
For the Scallop Festival, councillor Babineau stated that he wants to make the event even more special next year. It will be a big project and they will need many volunteers. Ideally, a Scallop Festival Committee will be formed and planning will begin within the next month or two.

21-91

It was moved by councillor Babineau that the UMNB and Scallop Festival report be adopted as presented. Seconded by councillor Mazerolle. Motion carried.

- vi. *Mayors Forum/ KRSC/ Library (Stella Richard)*
Report presented.

DELEGATION & PETITIONS
(PUBLIC INTERVENTION AND HEARING OF REQUEST)

i.) *Joanne Robichaud*

She addresses council and asks if we have thought about approaching the Riva Grill or other restaurants in the city to work in conjunction with the CKN arena in terms of cooking and serving food during hockey games. Mary Sullivan pointed out that most restaurants in the city are already understaffed and most employees have to work double shifts to make up for the lack of workers. The city has posted job offers but has not received any applications.

Ms. Robichaud also mentions that she has noticed a lot of speeding in town, especially on Main Street, as well as ATVs on the road. Council recommends that citizens report all violations to the RCMP so that complaints can be documented. The more these violations are reported, the more patrols the RCMP will conduct in hopes of resolving the problem.

ii.) *Joan Dugas*

She wishes to clarify what will happen to the Anchor multifunctional centre once the new Town Hall is built. Council advises her that the centre is owned by the government and that they have not advised us of their future plans for this building.

iii.) *Anne-Marie Leach*

She wants to know what can be done about the smell or noise coming from Coastal Shell Products on Morgan Street. Council recommends that all complaints be directed to the Environmental Department to be documented.

Ms. Leach also notes that the new signs on River Street are not working as the turn sign is now hidden by the larger sign that was placed there. She mentions that some cars are still getting stuck at the end of the street and suggests adding a "dead end" sign.

ADJOURNMENT

21-92

It was moved by councillor Mazerolle that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Mélanie Savoie
Clerk

Stella Richard
Mayor