

Village of Chipman  
Nov 6, 2017 at 6:30pm  
Regular Council Meeting

Pre-Council meeting of Nov 6, 2017 was called to order by Mayor Carson Atkinson at 6:30pm. Council present: Councillor Lindsey Fraser, Councillor Dan Frenette, Councillor Shaun Ward and Deputy Mayor Keith West.

RCMP Sgt. Andrea Gallant met with Council before the Regular meeting to hear their concerns and to present the RCMP annual report. Councillor Frenette conveyed the question he hears from residents most often is "where are the officers?". They are not seen in the village. Sgt. Gallant explained that there is one scheduled drive through per day but she is trying to get one more in the evening. It was expressed to the Sergeant that at the UMN Conference in Sept 2017, the RCMP coverage was a common concern especially from rural areas.

Speed on Lilloett Drive and truck speed on Main St/Rte 123 was addressed. Residents on Lilloett are asking for a decreased speed limit sign from 70 to 50.

Councillor Fraser commented on the lack of community involvement of officers in recent years. Sgt. Gallant asked that she be made aware of planned events and they will make every effort to participate. Their coverage area is too large to know what is taking place in each community. Send information to her.

Councillor Frenette also expressed resident feedback on reporting to RCMP. They feel it will do no good to report so they don't do it.

Sgt. Gallant would like to have another discussion with Council to address these concerns in more detail. Councillor Frenette will organize another meeting time. Sgt. Gallant asked that any calls of complaints to the Village be forwarded to her directly.

Mayor Atkinson called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:10pm. All Council were in attendance.

Mayor Atkinson welcomed and introduced three new residents to Chipman: Zak Vovk, Taras Tovstiy and Roman Sydooremko. A fourth, Eugene Zavgorodnir was unable to attend as he was working. The men are from the Ukraine and are employed with or through J.D. Irving.

Moved by Councillor Frenette and seconded by Councillor Ward that the agenda be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Mayor West and seconded by Councillor Frenette that minutes of the Regular Meeting of Oct 2, 2017 be adopted as circulated. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Frenette and seconded by Councillor Fraser that minutes of the Special Meeting of Aug 28, 2017 be adopted as circulated. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Mayor West and seconded by Councillor Ward that minutes of the Special Meeting of Sept. 14, 2017 be adopted as circulated. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Ward and seconded by Councillor Fraser that minutes of the first Special Meeting of Sept. 29, 2017 be adopted as circulated. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Ward and seconded by Councillor Fraser that minutes of the second Special Meeting of Sept. 29, 2017 be adopted as circulated. Motion carried.

RCMP Sgt. Gallant gave the report for the month of October. Responded to 28 calls within the Village of Chipman. Moved by Councillor Frenette and seconded by Councillor Fraser to accept the RCMP report as submitted. Motion carried.

Communities in Bloom committee members Ardith Shirley and Laura Mae Slocum addressed Council with a request for funds to purchase Christmas themed flags as part of the Adopt-A-Pole program. Current pole sponsors are expecting new flags up for the Christmas season. There were 18 adopted poles which funds continue to be collected for. The committee is committed to recouping all monies from sponsors for the flags and hardware purchased to date. There is a two year plan in place to recoup these funds.

They also asked if the committee is required to come to Council each time a purchase of new flags is needed. Council advised them that all purchases must have prior Council approval.

Moved by Deputy Mayor West to loan the committee \$1500.00 from the Heritage Centre Bingo funds to purchase the Christmas season flags. Seconded by Councillor Frenette. Motion carried.

Councillor Fraser asked if more poles were planned to be used. It was suggested to work with hardware on poles we have now. Councillor Ward asked if a separate bank account could be setup for the Communities in Bloom Committee purchases. It has been discussed with the Clerk and she's looking into it.

Correspondence was read from: Ride for the Cure organizer Beth Fowler, thanking Council for their participation in their event at the Heritage Centre; donation request from Bullying Canada, moved by Councillor Fraser and seconded by Councillor Frenette to table this request. Deputy Mayor West will contact both area schools to inquire what, if any, anti-bullying programs they may offer that a donation could be made to; CFAS thank-you for donation to their Breakfast Program; Grand Lake Minor Hockey request for donation to the Nov 25<sup>th</sup> Loonie/Toonie Paddle Auction. Moved by Councillor Frenette and seconded by Deputy Mayor West to table this request until further information on number of local members of GLMH and location of auction is determined; CUPE-Notice to Bargain was received and Council will be contacted the week of Nov 28<sup>th</sup> to set a date.

Mayor Atkinson's report including:

-Attended several meetings and had conversations with many regarding Village issues and projects.

- RSC11 meetings on Oct 3 and Oct 26. The 2018 budget was approved by 84% of the 19 board members. Regular garbage tipping fees will increase by \$2.00 to \$87/metric tonne. The cost to the Village of Chipman for Planning and Inspection Services will be \$18,855.00, a slight reduction from last year.

-Mayor Atkinson has had discussions with the VP at Scotiabank regarding the ATM issues. He has also been meeting with Irving Oil officials regarding the Irving24 renovation at the corner of Main and Bridge Sts.

-Several interviews with Telegraph Journal regarding AmbulanceNB issues and had followup meeting on Oct 19<sup>th</sup> with Paul Robichaud and Robin O'Hara of AmbulanceNB and members of Minto Council.

-Attended AIM session Nov 3, 2017 from 3:30pm-8:30pm in Fredericton with Councillor Frenette regarding the importance of Asset Management for proper planning and Councils role in the plan.

-Staff meeting held Nov 6<sup>th</sup> for one hour to discuss several ongoing street issues and upcoming projects.

Mayor Atkinson presented the Public Works report for October 2017.

Moved by Councillor Ward and seconded by Councillor Frenette to accept the Mayor's report and Public Works report. Motion carried.

Deputy Mayor Keith West's report:

-The sewer lines have been flushed.

-There were 16 letters sent out by RSC11 staff for delinquent payment of sewer accounts stating possible disconnection action if not paid. Subsequently, 3 disconnection letters were hand delivered by RSC11 staff as final notice.

Moved by Deputy Mayor West and seconded by Councillor Fraser to accept his report. Motion carried.

Councillor Lindsey Fraser's report:

-The bowling alley will be holding several tournaments.

- activities continue and the Bazaar will be held November 15<sup>th</sup>.

-Will be attending Library Board meeting on Nov 9<sup>th</sup> and Community Action Group meeting on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.

-Camp Wegesegum is closed for the season. The camp board was pleased with the Halloween event.

-No animal control reports.

Moved by Councillor Fraser to accept her report. Seconded by Councillor Frenette. Motion carried.

Councillor Dan Frenette's report:

-Arena ice is in.

-The arena ice plant is very old and will need replaced soon. Estimated cost is approx. \$150,000.

-RCMP contract costs are decreasing approx. \$5,000 due to the decrease in population.

-Minto Minlak is collecting gift cards for a Gift Basket.

-The Grand Lake Growth Committee is starting a region advertising campaign soon.

Moved by Councillor Frenette to accept his report. Seconded by Deputy Mayor West. Motion carried.

Councillor Shaun Ward's report:

-Attended a ULC testing on the new fire truck with Barry Armstrong, Corey Shirley and Vernon Bishop.  
-New truck arrived on Nov 4<sup>th</sup>. Spent the morning with Metalfab staff going over the truck and how it works.

-Dwayne Fretz is back and would like to re-join the Fire Department.

-The Fire Department hoses were tested and will be tested yearly going forward. The fire hydrant will also be tested and maintained yearly.

-Councillor Ward spoke with Dobbelstyn Signs regarding the sign board that was at the Heritage Centre. A new location for the sign is being looked at with the possibility of it being at the corner of Main and King Sts. They estimate a cost of approx. \$7,000 to install a cement base, revamp the sign itself and installation.

-Thank you to the businesses, volunteers and Leadership class volunteers from CFAS who helped with the Halloween event at Camp Wegesegum.

-Youth Centre report was given.

Moved by Councillor Frenette and seconded by Councillor Fraser to accept Councillor Ward's report. Motion carried.

Building permit report for October was submitted for one building permit and two development permits.

The tender for the garbage pickup contract was reviewed. Council had no changes.

Moved by Deputy Mayor West to approve payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$160,609.36. Seconded by Councillor Frenette. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Mayor West to approve payment of Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$75,530.36. Seconded by Councillor Fraser. Motion carried.

All motions were unanimous.

Motion to adjourn by Councillor Ward. Seconded by Deputy Mayor West. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

  
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Assistant Clerk