

**Village of Chipman
Regular Council Meeting
October 4, 2021
7:00 PM**

Attendance

Mayor Keith West	Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward
Councillor Dan Barton	Councillor Chanda Klassen
Councillor Lindsey Fraser	

Media

Kelly Bishop, Grand Lake Mirror

CCiB Committee Members

Deb Lloyd	Jean Buchanan
Tiffany Blyth	

Call to Order

Mayor Keith West called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Chanda Klassen and seconded by Councillor Dan Barton to adopt the minutes of the September 13, 2021, Regular Council Meeting. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward to adopt the minutes of the September 20, 2021, Special Council Meeting. **Motion carried.**

Conflict of Interest

N/A

CCiB Presentation

Jean Buchanan, a new member of CCiB, started their presentation off by thanking the Village of Chipman Council and staff for their partnership financially as well as the many hours of labor that the staff continue to do when working to foster civic pride in our community together.

Jean, Deb and Tiffany presented a power point presentation to Council on what Communities in Bloom signifies.

- To foster civic pride, environmental responsibility, and beautification with focus on enhancing green spaces in the Village of Chipman and surrounding area.
- To establish a network of close fellowship and cooperation among the citizens of the Chipman area.

CCiB's motto has been: "People, Plants & Pride, Growing Together."

Their committee consists of 12 volunteer members and the Mayor of Chipman.

CCiB's framework for community development.

- Tidiness (Team Up to Clean Up 2018-2021)
- Environmental Action (partnered with Minlak and Lemon's Home Hardware)
- Heritage Conservation (welcome sign, story boards, Vimy tree, old photos of Chipman, Legion veteran's banners)
- Urban Forestry (tree inventory 2018, red-tailed willow tree planting)
- Landscape (partnered with VOC to contract the Glenn Group to develop a village plan)
- Floral/Beautification (hanging plants, partnership with VOC to water all garden beds)
- Foster Civic Pride (purchased community banners for all seasons, graduation bursaries, helping seniors and children plant flowers, employed summer students, manage Chase the Ace, give donation to Community Care and Chipman Elementary)

Jean announced that 2022 will be the year of the garden with red flowers throughout the community.

CCiB would like to work with the stakeholders to move the Glenn Group project further.

CCiB asked if the Village Council, when preparing the 2022 Budget, a line could be included that would represent "Fostering Civic Pride & Village Beautification". They would like to request that the budget be no less than \$3700.00 that would include the annual enrollment for the Village of Chipman in the National CiB program as well as floral displays.

Another request would be that a representative from CCiB and Village of Chipman staff come up with a workable plan for maintenance and watering of the Village floral displays for the summer 2022 and be presented to Village Council for approval in January 2022.

Councillor Dan Barton asked the committee how they felt the watering of the flowers went this year with the Village of Chipman, CCiB and Irving taking their turn watering every other day.

Deb Lloyd felt that it was difficult to get trucks and drivers from CCiB and they couldn't guarantee that Irving would partner again next year.

Council responded that the Public works department felt it was the best summer for the watering of the flowers as one group didn't have all the responsibility and it was equally shared.

Mayor Keith West thanked CClB for an excellent presentation and said that Council will take their "asks" under advisement and get back to them in the coming weeks with what Council can provide in the 2022 Budget.

Correspondence

Building & Development Permits

0 Building & Development permits in September 2021

Thank You Card

Council received a fond farewell letter from the Queens North Health Care Auxiliary explaining that they will be disbanding their organization. They thanked both the Village of Chipman and Minto for the wonderful partnership that has been formed since 1945.

Mayor Keith West and Council commented on what a loss this is for our community and thanked the committee for all their efforts and hard work over the years.

Donation Request

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Councillor Shaun Ward to advertise 1/8 colored page in the Community Support Publications for mental health awareness guide in the amount of \$195.65 plus HST. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward and seconded by Councillor Dan Barton to purchase 21 radio messages to express the Village's appreciation to our Volunteer Fire Department during Fire Prevention Week in the amount of \$210.00. **Motion carried.**

Councillor's Reports

Mayor Keith West attended many zoom meetings including Rural Planning, DTI plowing contract, Municipal Reform as well as his UMN annual conference.

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Councillor Dan Barton to approve both the Mayor's and Public Works Report (see attached). **Motion carried.**

RCMP Report

- 1 Assault, investigation ongoing.

Councillor Dan Barton reported that he has requested staff to gather flow information to determine the industrial flow from Grand Lake Timber as they are currently not invoiced for their industrial waste.

Official liens will not be placed on 4 of the sewerage arrears accounts as they are going to the Province for tax sale. The Village may still be able to collect the sewerage debt on these properties but highly unlikely given the provincial taxes owing on these properties.

Councillor Dan Barton reported that the Marina docks have been taken out for the season.

Moved by Councillor Dan Barton and seconded by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward to accept his report as well as the Utility Worker's report (see attached). **Motion carried.**

Fire Department

- 10 fire calls in September 2021.
- Training and instructional time have been ongoing with the help from Andrew Wainwright.

Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward advised Council that Logan Briggs has expressed interest in joining the Chipman Volunteer Fire Department. Fire Chief Barry Armstrong recommends that the Village approve his request.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward and seconded by Councillor Dan Barton to approve Logan Briggs to join the Chipman Fire Department. **Motion carried.**

Deputy Mayor Ward reported that cards will be starting soon at the Chipman Fish & Game Club. TBA.

Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward attended as many meetings as his work schedule allowed.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to accept his verbal report. **Motion carried.**

Councillor Lindsey Fraser extended a thank you to the Chipman Youth Centre for all their hard work that they continue to do for our Village.

Chipman Bowl-a-Rama

Open - masks and proof of vaccination are required.

Library

Programming is postponed until the state of emergency is lifted.

Community Action Group

See attached minutes.

Camp Wegesegum

Activities are still planned for October 16 and October 23 until the update from the province on October 8, 2021.

Animal Services

- Dog Park is open.
- 1 complaint received and has been investigated.

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward to accept her reports. **Motion carried.**

Parks & Recreation

Councillor Chanda Klassen reported that Hamilton Baird Park has a new basketball net for everyone to enjoy. Please be considerate and leave the ball by the net when finished playing.

Arena

Grab bars and a new changing table have been installed.

Councillor Chanda Klassen reported to Council that the space for birthday parties will be in the main lobby this year as the upstairs has been rented. To book ice time call the Arena cell phone 327-0504.

Hockey registration numbers are currently at 100 kids.

Green Paper

Councillor Klassen advised the public to visit GNB website to review the "Green Paper" on Local Governance Reform and the "What We Heard" follow up document. Now is the time to give input before the publication of the "White Paper" which will be a plan to implement.

Moved by Councillor Chanda Klassen and seconded by Councillor Dan Barton to accept her reports (see attached). **Motion carried.**

Clerk's Report

Moved by Councillor Dan Barton and seconded by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward to accept the Clerk's Report (see attached). **Motion carried.**

New Business

Councillor Dan Barton informed Council that he would like to see all donations that are being made through the Bingo Account be written from the Bingo Bank Account. It has been done through the General Bank Account in the past. He explained it is better accounting practices. Mayor Keith West and Council agreed to this request.

Bridge Update

Clerk Michelle Dickinson explained to Council that she has been in Zoom calls as well as phone discussions with MLA Kris Austin and RDC on how the Village can apply for funding to be relocate the existing sewer lines that are located under the bridge. The Clerk explained that no approval has been given however she feels government officials are looking for a solution so that this will not be a financial burden on the Village.

Halloween

The Village of Chipman will follow all Public Safety guidelines and will advertise the rules for Halloween in the Grand Lake Mirror to make residents aware of all updates.

Truck Tender

The Village did not receive any truck tenders. Councillor Dan Barton will speak with Public Works to take the 2010 Silverado to the local garage and have all necessary repairs in place to get them through the next 4-6 months when trucks become more available.

Approval of Payment of Bills

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Deputy Mayor Shaun Ward to approve payment of General Operating Fund Bills in the amount of \$257,325.52.

Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Chanda Klassen and seconded by Councillor Dan Barton to approve payment of Sewerage Operating Fund Bills in the amount of \$30,746.80.

Motion carried.

Councillor Dan Barton reported current sewerage accounts collected in September were \$10,575.50 and the total arrears collected were \$3094.75.

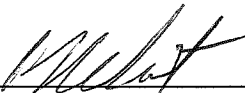
Budget Meeting Dates

- October 18, 2021
- October 25, 2021
- November 8, 2021

Mayor Keith West feels that Heritage Centre Bingo should be cancelled until the number of COVID-19 cases start going down. Many residents/volunteers are concerned of the potential risk. Council agreed that Bingo should be cancelled until further notice.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Dan Barton and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. **Motion carried.**



Keith West, Mayor



Michelle Dickinson