

The regular meeting of the Village of Chipman Council was called to order by Mayor Edward Farris at 7 PM on August 11, 2014. All Councillors were present; namely, Councillor Carol Boyd, Councillor Faith Kennedy, Councillor Robin Wasson and Councillor Keith West.

Moved by Councillor Robin Wasson and seconded by Councillor Keith West that minutes of the regular meeting of July 14, 2014 and special meeting of July 14, 2014 be adopted as circulated. Motion carried.

Eric Comeau, Community Developer for the Grand Lake Area, Vernon Bishop and RCMP Cpl. Brian Villers were present at the meeting.

Vernon Bishop stated that he took offense to comments made about the Fire Department, by Jason Cooling, the provincial EMO representative, at a wrap up meeting held following post tropical storm Arthur. Mr. Cooling stated that anything we had in the fire department was junk. Mr. Bishop stated that the fire department worked hard to get what we have.

Mr. Bishop is also a member of a committee appointed by EMO Co-ordinator Danny Hargrove, to look into the possibility of obtaining a new emergency generator to enable the Municipal Building to remain operational in the event of a power outage.

Cpl. Villers gave the RCMP report for July.

Jim Lawless met with Mayor Farris on July 22, 2014 asking, as the Village owns the CP railbed that runs to Dufferin Avenue, if Council would consider allowing CN to extend the railbed another 200 feet to accommodate two more railcars from Irving's mill. A letter was sent giving this permission.

There is a meeting of the Growth Committee and SWN on August 19, 2014 at 7 PM in Council Chambers.

There is a meeting with Stephen Pyke, OPUS regarding the Final Report on our WWtf on August 22, 2014 at 10 AM.

The next Zone meeting will be held on August 27, 2014 at 7 PM in Upper Miramichi.

The UMN Conference is October 3, 4, 5, 2014 in Saint Andrews.

Councillor Robin Wasson stated that some asphaltting will be done the next couple of weeks.

Councillor Wasson stated that his Show & Shine and Remote Control Car contest went well.

Councillor Keith West gave the Fire Department report for July.

An application for a new fireman was received.

Moved by Councillor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Robin Wasson that Tyler Barton be accepted as a fireman for Chipman Fire Department. Motion carried.

Councillor Carol Boyd gave the Museum Report. We have had 162 visitors since July 1, 2014. Councillor Boyd stated that our summer student Kaitlyn Copeland was doing a great job at the museum.

Councillor Boyd made three home visits this month.

Councillor Boyd gave the Website and Chipman Outreach report. The Community Garden is doing well. Fresh vegetables will be ready soon for the food boxes.

Nothing has been done to the two properties that received unsightly premise letters. The clerk will check with Village of Minto to see what they do.

Councillor Boyd gave the building permit report for July.

Councillor Boyd attended the annual meeting of Camp Wegesequm.

Councillor Faith Kennedy attended the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration for St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

There was an EMO meeting with Jason Cooling on August 6, 2014.

Mini-golf will not be open this year.

Councillor Kennedy gave the Library report.

Summer Festival events were well attended. We received a grant of \$2000 from the Provincial Government.

The annual QNCHC Harvest Fest is September 27, 2014 from 10 AM – 1 PM.

A thank-you card was received from Keon Day.

Moved by Councillor Robin Wasson and seconded by Councillor Carol Boyd that payment of General Fund Bills of \$139,816.86 and Sewerage Fund Bills of \$16,694.73 be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Carol Boyd and seconded by Councillor Robin Wasson that \$10,600 be transferred from the Sewer Operating Fund to the Sewer Capital Reserve. Motion carried.

Kelly Bishop thanked Council for their continued support of the Chipman Youth Centre.

On motion, meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Council met after the meeting to discuss several financial concerns.

The air handler unit over the call centre is 22 years old and has needed repaired several times in the past few months. A quote was received from Controls & Equipment to supply and install a new Lennox rooftop HVAC unit at a cost of \$15,200 plus HST for a total cost of 17,176.00.

Moved by Councillor Carol Boyd and seconded by Councillor Keith West that a new Lennox rooftop HVAC unit be purchased for over the Call Centre, from Controls & Equipment at a total cost of \$17,176.00. Motion carried.

The roof over the front of the Municipal Building needs repaired. Every time we have a heavy rain and depending on which way the wind is blowing, it leaks in the kitchen. This has happened several times this year. We need to have someone look at the roof to see where and why it is leaking.

Councillor Kennedy stated she was very disappointed with the Miss Chipman Pageant committee this year. She made several attempts to contact them with no reply. When contact was finally made, she was assured that everything was looked after. Then she finds out that the week of the pageant the committee had not donations or a tiara. Councillor Boyd had got two headbands to use as tiaras but they did not suit. The Village Office had a tiara that was not used last year and that did not suit. They were in the Village Office Thursday morning, the day of the pageant, trying to find somewhere to get a tiara. They ended up using the one from the office. One of the headbands was used for Emily Weaver as hers from last year had broke.

Councillor Kennedy feels that members of this pageant committee need to attend at least one meeting and keep the chairperson informed of what is happening and if any help is needed.

A concern was brought to the Clerk by other staff members about a comment that was made by a Councillor at a special meeting of Council on July 14, 2014 in which members of the public from Northrup Drive/Wegesegum Road were present.

The purpose of that meeting was to meet with residents of Northrup Drive/Wegesegum Road, again, to discuss changing name back to Wegesegum Road from Northrup Drive.

The comment made by the Councillor was that "he felt Council was not given the right information by staff."

As stated in the Local Government Resource manual Section 3.25(c) - Creating a Supportive Working Environment - "Council members can also help create a supportive work environment for staff. This means providing positive feedback for a job well done. It also means providing constructive criticism when warranted. If such criticism is to be provided, it should occur at the appropriate time and place (ie not at a regular Council meeting)."

If that was the feeling, it should have been said to staff outside of the public meeting.

I and the other staff members take offense to the remark made by the Councillor. We worked a long time gathering up information regarding this problem – going back through endless minutes, looking for anything to do with this on laserfiche, going through boxes of files the storeroom for any information that could be found.

This information was presented to Council. Council made their decision to change the name to Northrup Drive. The information presented on July 14 meeting by Ardith Shirley was the same information that was presented by staff.

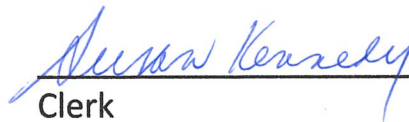
These types of remarks could lead to tension between staff and Council.

Meeting adjourned.



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Mayor



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Clerk