

MINUTES OF MEETING
MCADAM VILLAGE COUNCIL
JANUARY 10th, 2018

The regular meeting of the McAdam Village Council was held on Wednesday, January 10th, 2018. Mayor Kenneth Stannix presided and the following members were present:

COUNCILLORS:	Taylor Gallant
	Greg Swim
	Mitchell Little
	Jody Robinson
CAO:	Edward Arsenault
CLERK/TREASURER:	Ann Donahue (Absent)
RCMP:	Cst. David Smith

Mayor Stannix called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda for the meeting was circulated and reviewed. It was moved by Councillor Little and seconded by Councillor Swim that:

“The agenda be approved as circulated.” MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the Regular and Closed Minutes of the meetings held on December 13th, 2017 were circulated and reviewed. It was moved by Councillor Swim and seconded by Councillor Little that:

“The minutes of the Regular and Closed Meetings of council held on December 13th, 2017 be approved as circulated.” MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS:

SCADA System - The tender will be closed and reviewed on Friday, January 12th, at the Village Office. Mayor are encouraged to attend.

Generator- CAO Arsenault updated council on the progress that has been done to date. Unfortunately, the ground is froze, so the groundwork will not be completed until spring. CAO Arsenault will have everything prepared, so it can be actioned upon early spring.

Fire Dispatch: No update

Garbage Collection of LSD: Mayor Stannix was in contact with Darren McCabe regarding garbage collection within the LSD. McCabe will be contacting council at a later date.

Charlotte Country Regional Tourism Association – Mayor Stannix asked for a volunteer to represent the Village at the CCRTA. Councillor Gallant volunteered, along with Councillor Little as a backup.

Hydrological Project – EXP quoted CAO Arsenault \$13,400 +HST to survey and determine if drilling a new well is feasible. It was moved by Councillor Robinson and seconded by Councillor Little that:

“The Village of McAdam will complete phase 1 of the Hydrological Project to determine if a new municipal well can be established in the amount of \$13,400 +HST”. – MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business

At this time NB Southwest MP Karen Ludwig, Hon. John Ames, Tyler van Guelpen and Marlene Chase joined Mayor and Council to discuss McAdam's vision. Mayor Stannix expressed to the group that the vision for McAdam is "To build a vibrant and caring community based on industry, tourism and population growth. Discussion took place how each of these goals shall be obtained. Both Ludwig and Ames encouraged Mayor and Council to keep them informed, and to reach out for any assistance that may be needed in the future. Mayor and Council thanked MP Ludwig and Hon. Ames for meeting.

At this time Cst. David Smith joined council to present the Police Report for the month of December. The report was circulated and reviewed by all. Mayor and Council thanked Cst. Smith for meeting with council at this time.

COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Mitchell Little - Councillor Little informed council that one of the village trucks has a significant dent in in, which will need to be repaired in the spring

Councillor Little inquired about overtime of the village crew and its cost. CAO Arsenault will follow up with more information for the next council meeting.

Taylor Gallant - Councillor Gallant inquired about the status of "The Old Theatre" located on Lake Avenue regarding its safety and dilapidation. Mayor Stannix informed council that all options at this point have been exhausted until more information becomes available.

Jody Robinson - The warriors den exterior lights are still in need of repair. CAO Arsenault informed Councillor Robinson that the lights have been ordered.

A foosball table has been donated to the Warriors Den by Josh Boudreau. Councillor Robinson expressed that the newly purchased treadmill will need to be set up soon.

Greg Swim – Councillor Swim notified council that the last raise given to the firefighters was in 2012 which brought the hourly wage to \$12 an hour. Councillor Swim suggested a raise should be considered.

It was agreed that more information be compiled for the next meeting for council to determine the raise.

CAO Report - Eddie Oldfield will be hosting a webinar presenting his findings of the “Climate Change Program”. CAO Arsenault will send a reminder to Mayor and Council of when the webinar will take place.

Skating Rink Attendant: CAO Arsenault informed council that Roy Sherman has been hired as the skating Rink attendant. Mr. Sherman has also been doing other jobs with the Village work crew.

Before entering closed session, routine budgetary items needed to be handled.

It was moved by Councillor Swim and seconded by Councillor Robinson that:

“We transfer \$160,000.00 from the General Capital Fund to the Utility Fund to pay Terrex for the Maple Street Project.” MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Councillor Swim and seconded by Councillor Little that:

“The Clerk and/or Treasurer and/or Mayor be authorized to issue and sell the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation a Municipality of McAdam debenture in the principal amount of \$140,000.00 on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and be it resolved that the Municipality of McAdam agree to issue post-dated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture.” MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Swim and seconded by Councillor Little that:

“We submit the General Budget to the Department of Environment and Local Government with the total budget of \$1,421,400, warrant of \$794,427.00 and the tax rate of \$1.5934 for approval.” MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Councillor Little and seconded by Councillor Swim that:

“The Water and Sewer Utility Budget be submitted to the Department of Environment and Local Government with a Net Budget of \$354,703.00. MOTION CARRIED

With no further business, on the motion of Councillor Swim, the regular council meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm.

Council then went into Closed Meeting of Council to discuss a few items of business.

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor Gallant