

MINUTES OF MEETING
MCADAM VILLAGE COUNCIL
JANUARY 8, 2020

The regular meeting of the McAdam Village Council was held in the Village of McAdam Heritage Room on Wednesday, January 8, 2020. Mayor Kenneth Stannix presided and the following members were present:

COUNCILLORS:	Greg Swim
	Taylor Gallant
	Mitchell Little
	Jody Robinson
CAO:	Edward Arsenault
CLERK/TREASURER:	Ann Donahue

Mayor Stannix called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and welcomed all to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the Regular and Closed Meeting held on December 4, 2019 and the Closed Minutes of Meeting held on December 17, 2019 were circulated and reviewed. The cost of the garage door was \$7,000.00 and not \$15,000.00 as stated in the December 4th, 2019 minutes. After discussion it was moved by Councillor Swim and seconded by Councillor Robinson that:

“The minutes of the Regular and Closed Minutes of Meeting held on December 4, 2019 and the Closed Minutes of Meeting held on December 17, 2019 be approved.” MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES:

Trailer in Mini-Home Park - CAO Arsenault advised council that since there has been too much time lapsed we need to start the process over again. After discussion it was agreed that contact would be made with the owner in the near future.

Rocks at Scott Park and Meeting - Mayor Stannix advised council that a meeting has not taken place yet.

Meeting with Raye Boon - A meeting has not been held yet.

Window in Warriors Den and Spray Foam Insulation - Discussion was held on having the spray foam installed in the building and replacing windows in the den. After discussion it was moved by Councillor Little and seconded by Councillor Robinson that:

“The spray foam be installed at the Warriors Den and Rink Building at a cost of \$15,552.60.”

MOTION CARRIED.

CAO Arsenault will get a cost for the replacement window as well.

Seniors Building - A quote has been received from East Coast Air to have a Heat Pump installed in the seniors building in the amount of \$5,722.40. After discussion it was agreed that the heat pump would be installed as soon as possible.

Fire Department Radio Purchase - CAO Arsenault advised council that he has ordered 8 radios with mics at a cost of \$3,300.00 each.

Meeting regarding van rentals - Councillor Robinson advised council that the meeting has not been held yet but will be scheduled in the next few weeks.

Rink Assistance Position - CAO Arsenault advised council that interviews were held and Isaac Young is being hired for this position.

Daniel Burdon Request for Donations - Councillor Robinson will gather more information on this request before a decision is made.

NEW BUSINESS:

2019 Audit Review - Mayor Stannix discussed the audit review and financial statements at this time. After discussion it was moved by Councillor Little and seconded by Councillor Swim that:

“The Financial Statements be accepted as presented.” MOTION CARRIED.

2020 Budget - The draft 2020 General and Utility Budgets were circulated and reviewed. After discussion it was moved by Councillor Little and seconded by Councillor Swim that:

“The 2020 General Budget be submitted to the Department of Environment and Local Government with an Operating Budget of \$1,415,531.00 and a warrant of \$805,978.00 and the tax rate of 1.5876 for approval.” MOTION CARRIED.

“The 2020 Utility Operating Budget be submitted to the Department of Environment and Local Government with the total budget of \$284,547.00 and total expenditures of \$284,547.00. MOTION CARRIED.

Future Planning - A meeting to discuss the future plans of the village will be held on January 23rd at 4:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of council will be held on January 23, 2020.

New By-Law Amendment - CAO Arsenault advised council that the Dangerous and Unightly Premises By-Law needs to be amended to coincide with the Rural Plan. It was agreed that the by-law would be reviewed by all council with further discussion taking place at the next meeting of council.

REPORTS:

Edward Arsenault - CAO Arsenault advised council that the insurance policy has been received in the amount of \$52,585.00 from Cain Insurance. After discussion it was agreed that the village would renew this policy and quotes would be received prior to the renewal in 2021.

A memo has been received from the St Croix International Waterway Commission regarding the facilities at St. Croix Beach. After considerable discussion it was agreed that the Village would no longer have any interest in this area as it is part of the Local Service District of St. Croix.

The Recreation Department is looking at having a Winter Fest on the pond behind the station within the next month. A meeting is to be held with NB Southern Railway soon. It was agreed that a copy of the schedule would be circulated to all council for their review prior to the festivities taking place.

CAO Arsenault advised council that First Aid and WHMIS Training will be held soon for village employees. The office will be closed during that time.

Jody Robinson - Nothing to report.

Taylor Gallant - Councillor Gallant inquired about the ownership of the Tennis Courts. He will be discussing options for this space with the Beautification Committee soon.

KARMA - Councillor Gallant inquired about posting an ad for help transporting cats to the shelter after they are trapped in the spring. Council felt that this would be a great idea.

Greg Swim - Jeremy Parker is a new member of the McAdam Fire Department. Members of the fire department are going to price up the metal for cages for their equipment. The cost will be discussed at the next meeting of council.

Mitchell Little - Nothing to report.

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

There being no further business, on motion of Councillor Swim the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,