

MINUTES OF MEETING
MCADAM VILLAGE COUNCIL
OCTOBER 21, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the McAdam Village Council was held on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 via Zoom. Mayor Stannix presided, and the following members were present:

COUNCILLORS: Taylor Gallant
Greg Swim
Jody Robinson
Mitchell Little

CAO: Edward Arsenault

CLERK/TREASURER: Ann Donahue

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Mayor Stannix welcomed all to the meeting. The meeting was live streamed on Facebook as well.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

“The agenda for the meeting be approved as circulated.”

MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 16, 2020 and the Special Meetings of Council held on October 2 and October 8 as well as the Closed Minutes of Meeting held on September 16 and October 8 were circulated and reviewed. It was moved by Councillor Gallant and seconded by Councillor Robinson that:

“The minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 16, 2020 and the Special Meetings of Council held on October 2 and October 8 as well as the Closed Minutes of Meeting held on September 16 and October 8 be approved as circulated.”

MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Emergency Communications for Village - At the present time we have 25 citizens sign up for the emergency communication. This will be reviewed again in the new year.

Camera Installation at Lions Community Centre - Mayor Stannix advised council that the Lions Club have agreed to let the village install a camera on their building. This will be reviewed in 2021.

Electronic Speed Sign - The reports are not available for the third access point when the device was in the village. It was agreed that we would request the speed sign again for this

location as well as in the school area.

Adhoc Committee for Businesses - Mayor Stannix will review this soon.

Asphalting Village Streets - CAO Arsenault advised council that Northern Construction are unable to do the paving in the village due to time constraints. They will hold the price for the jobs to be completed early in the spring of 2021.

Fire Department Paging and Fire Q - A new black box is needed for the paging system which should be replaced soon. The Fire Q system is going to be tested tomorrow night with all firefighters.

McAdam Dollars - Councillor Gallant advised council that the Welcome Wagon are using the McAdam Dollars for their baskets.

OLD BUSINESS: (October 2, 2020)

Morning Program - The morning program will be starting the new year depending on COVID-19.

Haunted Trail - Councillor Gallant updated council on the Haunted Trail which will be held on October 28 and 29th.

Surplus Properties - The properties are being handled by our solicitor.

Radio Station - The radio system used by the Pentecostal Church can be used for the village in case on an emergency at no charge. It was agreed that we would review the emergency plan and update as necessary to include the radio station.

By-Law # 63 - CAO Arsenault advised council that a letter has been received from the PRAC. They have approved the amendment of the Rural Plan to rezone Farm Road area from Residential for Green Belt/Farmland. After discussion it was moved by Councillor Swim and seconded by Councillor Robinson that:

“The Village of McAdam Rural Plan (#58) is hereby amended as follows: By-Law #58, the Village of McAdam Rural Plan, is amended by changing the zone as shown on the Zoning Map attached to the said By-Law as Schedule “A” thereof for the lands shown on Schedule “1” attached hereto and forming part hereof from from Single and Two-Family Residential Zone – R1 Zone to Rural and Greenbelt Zone – G Zone as read by title for the 3rd and final time.” MOTION CARRIED.

Property Assessments - A few of the properties have been sent to the province to be reassessed. No further information has been received to date.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A request has been received from Alex Henderson, Planning for the SWNBSC regarding the appointment for K Vernon Faulkner and Michael J.K. Hall to be Building Inspector for the Village. It was moved by Councillor Robinson and seconded by Councillor Gallant that:

“WHEREAS the Village of McAdam has contracted with the Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission to obtain professional building inspection services; BE IT RESOLVED that Keith Vernon Faulkner is a building inspector for the Village of McAdam; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Keith Vernon Faulkner shall remain a building inspector for the Village of McAdam so long as he remains an employee of the Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Keith Vernon Faulkner shall remain a building inspector for the Village of McAdam so long as the Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission remains contracted to provide building inspection services to the Village of McAdam.” MOTION CARRIED.

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

“WHEREAS the Village of McAdam has contracted with the Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission to obtain professional building inspection services; BE IT RESOLVED that Michael Joseph Kyle Hall is a building inspector for the Village of McAdam; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Michael Joseph Kyle Hall shall remain a building inspector for the Village of McAdam so long as he remains an employee of the Southwest New Brunswick

Service Commission; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Michael Joseph Kyle Hall shall remain a building inspector for the Village of McAdam so long as the Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission remains contracted to provide building inspection services to the Village of McAdam.” MOTION CARRIED.

Regional Police Report - Mayor Stannix advised council that the Study should be received by the end of the year.

A letter has been received from Public Safety advising that the contract for policing services for 2021 will increase to \$247,841.00, an increase of 2.01%.

The information for the budget has been received, the deadline for submission is November 15th.

REPORTS:

Edward Arsenault – The WAWA permit has been received and the cement pads will be installed in the lake today. We have 10 days to complete the work.

CAO Arsenault updated council on the recent meeting with Greg Evans, Sheri Stewart, Dennis Blair, and Councillor Swim to discuss ways to enhance the services for the LSD area of St. Croix.

Wellfield Expansion Project - The permits will be received soon. For the project to get started early in 2021, a plan of survey will need to be

done this year at a cost of \$4,000.00. After discussion it was agreed that the survey plan be completed as soon as possible at a cost of \$4,000.00

The Legion Banners will be installed on Friday of this week.

CAO Arsenault advised council that it has come to his attention that the village and 3 other municipalities in the area own 1 share in the Port of Bayside. Further discussion will take place to see what this means for the village.

Taylor Gallant - Christmas Tree Program – The beautification committee have sold 40 trees to date. The tender for the Caboose Repairs has been received. A Beautification Committee will meet to review the tender.

CPR Bench - The unveiling will be done on Facebook Live with a date to be announced soon.

Greg Swim - The Dog Catchers Report was reviewed and discussed. Neil Clune has become a member of the Fire Department – welcome Neil. The firefighters served 80 meals at their Hunters Breakfast.

Mitchell Little - More paving will be done in the Village in the next few weeks as the plant will be open until the second week of November.

Jody Robinson - The fencing at O'Keefe Field is coming along very well. Councillor Robinson advised council that he is concerned with people

crossing the track instead of using the tunnel. It was agreed that NBSR would be contacted for information to post on the website and at the schools.

The principal of the McAdam Elementary School would like to meet with a few members of council soon. It was agreed that a meeting would be set up with Mayor Stannix, Councillor Robinson and CAO Arsenault.

The large rock at the boat launch will be removed in 2021 when the next phase of work is completed.

Mitchell Little - Hallowe'en will be as stated for the province in McAdam. We will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation before a decision is made regarding Christmas activities in the village.

Mayor Stannix asked if there were any Facebook questions, there were no questions, but he reiterated that council is not able to discuss confidential personnel information.

Mayor Stannix and council went into Closed Meeting of Council to discuss a few items of concern.

On motion of Councillor Swim, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,