

MINUTES OF MEETING
MCADAM VILLAGE COUNCIL
February 21, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the McAdam Village Council was held in the Heritage Room of the McAdam Village Hall. Mayor Stannix presided, and the following members were present:

COUNCILLORS:	Taylor Gallant
	Greg Swim
	Jody Robinson
	Mitchell Little
CAO:	Johnny Walsh
CLERK TREASURER:	Michelle Porelle

Mayor Stannix called the meeting to order at 4:00 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 Little 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 January 31, 2024, were circulated, and reviewed. It was moved by Councillor Robinson and seconded by Councillor Swim that:

“The minutes of the Regular and Closed Meeting held on January 31, 2024, be approved as circulated.” MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Building on Property Purchased from Lakeland Industries – The proceeds from the sale of the building will go to Lakeland Industries. The tender closed on February 16, 2024, and went to John MacKay for \$550.00

McAdam Elementary School Playground – tabled for the next meeting. Taylor will inquire if there is anything left in the CIF Fund that we can apply for on their behalf.

NEW BUSINESS:

Community Development Poverty Reduction Strategy – There is a Public Meeting March 12 at the Lion's Club from 6-8pm which was set up by Cheryl Pepin.

2024 Crime Prevention Conference – Will be held on April 30- May 2, 2024, at the St. Thomas University

Village Office Renovation Tender - After review of the tenders submitted, it was moved by Councillor Swim and seconded by Councillor Little that:

"The Village of McAdam accepted the lowest bid meeting all requirements from Home Concepts for \$163,740.00." MOTION CARRIED

Scotiabank Building Offer - After discussion, it was moved by Councillor Swim and seconded by Councillor Robinson that:

"The Village of McAdam purchase 133 Saunders Road from Scotiabank for the price of \$1.00 pending the limitations it carries." MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

Credit Union Feasibility Project – Councillor Robinson will investigate this project to see what it entails.

MHS Yearbook Page Sponsorship – Council agrees to sponsor 4 pages of the MHS yearbook.

MADD Message Sponsorship – After discussion, Council agreed not to purchase an ad with the MADD yearbook.

Emergency Shelters – The McAdam Lion's Club has submitted a letter requesting reimbursement for fuel for emergency shelter during the power outage in December. It was moved by councillor Little and seconded by Councillor Swim that:

"The Village of McAdam reimburse the fuel charge to the McAdam Lion's Club for the emergency Shelter on December 18th-22nd, 2023." MOTION CARRIED.

Tabletop exercise in Calais Maine – There will be training for wildfires put on at the customs building in Calais on March 14, 2024, at 9:30am. Councillor Little will have someone attend on behalf of the local Fire Department.

Mayor Stannix– The Lion's Craft Sale will be held in November 2024, and they would like to check if the High School is available to use that day as it has a much larger area.

Christmas at the Station will run for 2 weekends this year. The Fireworks for Christmas parade was well received last year, and council may wish to continue this permanently rather than having the Fall fireworks.

Air Force Banners – The Legion from the Moncton area would like to hang banners in communities around the province for 100th anniversary for Canadian Air Force. They are 4ftx3ft and the cost will be \$40 for hangers with no cost for banners. They would like permission to hang them, they are predicting 2-5 banners. Council agreed.

CAO Walsh – The tender for 20 Beech Street was awarded to Rob MacKay for \$1500.00; it was the only bid submitted for this tender.

The village crew has been busy cleaning and painting the treatment plant. The starter was replaced on the backhoe and the water pump was replaced on the loader.

The skating rink has been very busy since opening, there have been up to 50-60 individuals skating at one time. Six of the eight lights have been replaced with the new LED lighting.

Councillor Little – The application for the emergency services boat launch in Modsley will be put in soon.

The downed trees at the Campground will be cut soon.

Signs for Campground – The large sign with the rules of the Campground will need to be remade with the new and updated rules, it should be ordered before the park opens in the spring.

Councillor Gallant – The Hook and Paddle event on June 29th is open to the public for Kayak fishing of white and yellow perch. The entrance fee is \$40 and there will be kayaks available to rent. It may be a good idea to have some picnic tables set up for them to use, the campground will be open for the use of the facilities. The Gun Dealer has offered to be a sponsor for prizes. It would be beneficial to have a volunteer group for a barbecue at the location. The Fire Department will have the rescue boat on site.

The July 1st committee needs volunteers.

Councillor Swim – no update

Councillor Robinson– When the weather is better, we need to take the docks to Granite Industries to have them patched and bumpers added so they are not destroyed.

Benny Godbout and Ronnie Gillespie are going to get a group together to cut the downed trees in the walking trail on Thursday February 22, 2024. An Ad will need to be added to the Village Facebook page that there is work happening in there and there will be UTV's in and out all day as they clean it up.

At this time council went into Closed Meeting of Council to discuss a few items of business.

On the motion of Councillor Swim, the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,