

MINUTES OF MEETING
MCADAM VILLAGE COUNCIL
JUNE 26th, 2024

A meeting of the McAdam Village Council was held on Wednesday, June 26th, 2024, in the Upstairs Room of the McAdam Village Hall. Mayor Kenneth Stannix presided, and the following members were present;

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

Mayor Stannix welcomed all and called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous Regular and Closed Meeting held on February were circulated and reviewed. It was moved by Councillor Gallant and seconded by Councillor Robinson that:

“The minutes of the previous Regular and Closed Meeting be approved as circulated.” MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS;

Bakery Update - No update. CAO Johnny Walsh to reach out to interested party to receive an update.

NB Age Friendly – Jody has been in touch with NB Age Friendly organization – more to follow.

NB EMO Recommendation – Councillor Little reviewed the document which outlines the province’s policies and procedures for forest fires. Village of McAdam Fire Department’s response will remain the same – McAdam will respond until support arrives and province will be billed.

Canada Day Celebrations – Councillor Gallant updated council on the July 1st fund. To date \$7,400 has been received and 6 volunteers signed up. Majority of this was due to Ashley Little’s ad campaign.

Charlotte County Dial-A-Ride – Stats were distributed and reviewed. Dial-A-Ride is expanding and wanted to share this information with McAdam. A stipend is given to drivers.

Gas Tax Fund – Funds have been received (approx. \$80k), but the federal government has yet to announce guidelines, as there has been some changes. Council is going to wait for more information before determining paving project.

At this time, Senior Building Inspector Vern Faulkner arrived to present his building report. Request for closed session due to personal information.

Moved by Councillor Robinson and seconded by Councillor Little to go into closed session.

After reviewing the report and considerable discussion it was moved by Councillor Robinson and seconded by Councillor Little that:

“25 Clifford Street to proceed with demolition process” – Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Employee Bonus – Bonuses for employees were discussed at this time. It was unanimously agreed that all employees who did not receive a raise in April, be given a one time \$500 bonus.

REPORTS;

CAO Walsh - NB Power camera service agreement was received and reviewed at this time. Camera service is a new program offered by NB Power for \$149.99/month. Mayor Stannix inquired on the night vision capabilities. It was decided that we investigate the program further before proceeding.

Summer students have been hired and commenced this week. WHIMIS and other courses being taken.

Councillor Gallant - Canada Day celebrations discussed.

Councillor Little - Inquired on paving around the village. CAO Walsh informed council that now that school is out, paving repairs will be undertaken soon.

Inquiry on old aluminum wharf. Jody informed council that the old aluminum wharf will be used for kayak rentals at the campground

Councillor Robinson – Rubber bumpers need to be installed on the St. Croix wharf to prevent boats from hitting it head on.

O'Keefe Field update - A portable toilet is required at O'Keefe field, as softball will be starting next week. Repairs to backstop need to be made. Eastern Fence will be coming out in July for the dugout.

Meeting with MLA Kathy Bockus regarding tennis court update was well received and positive. More to follow in the future.

Councillor Swim – Requested that another Lions News ad be published explaining what can be recycled.

There being no further business, on motion of Councillor Swim the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor Gallant