

REGULAR MEETING

Town of Richibucto
June 16th, 2009

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Meldric J. Mazerolle, Councilors; Martin LeBlanc, Rodolphe Monette, Gerard Richard and Al Larin. General Manager, Gilles Belleau and Melanie Savoie, Secretary.

Mayor Mazerolle presiding.

Councilor Larin read the prayer of council.

09-94

It was moved by councilor LeBlanc that the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

Article 6(xix) – Letter from Mr. Gerald Richard, School District #11

Article 6(xx) – Letter from Mr. Richard Thebeau, Chamber of Commerce

Article 8 (iv) – Request from the Kent Planning Commission

Article 9(vii) – Request from Central Kent Minor Hockey

Article 9 (viii) – Request from Mrs. Maria Thebeau

This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

09-95

It was moved by councilor LeBlanc that the minutes of Mai 19th be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor Larin. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCES

Invitation – from Jeux de l'Acadie, inviting council to the opening and closing ceremonies of the 30th Jeux de l'Acadie finale was read for information.

Letter – from Mrs. Josee Gallant, Richibucto Youth Club, requesting that council donates \$300.00 to the Youth Club to complete the final payment of the new ping-pong table.

09-96

It was moved by councilor Monette that \$300.00 be given from the youth fund to the Youth Club for the final payment of the ping-pong table. This was seconded by councilor Larin. Motion carried.

Letter – from Mr. Rejean Leger, Kent North Minor Softball Association, requesting financial assistance to help children from 5 to 18 years old to participate in soft ball tournaments during the summer season.

09-97

It was moved by councilor Monette that council agrees to contribute the amount of \$250.00 to the Softball Association to help with the costs. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

Letter – from Mrs. Charline Vautour, informing council that work was done on behalf of the Town of Richibucto by Ste-Anne Paving on her property May 19th, 2009. She is asking that no more work be done on her property until the case is settled in court was read for information.

Letter – from Mr. Darrell J. LaFosse, RCMP, acknowledging receipt of a letter dated April 30th, 2009 in regards to the RCMP invoice for the Town of Richibucto was read for information.

Letter – from Mr. Allen Bard, informing council that a grant of \$4,000.00 will be donated to the town representing a contribution from the Minister of Wellness Culture and Sports to support the family sports night project was read for information.

Letter – from Mr. Louis-Philippe Gauthier, Conseil économique du NB, informing council that the invoice for the membership is due to be renewed.

09-98

It was moved by councilor Richard that council cancel the membership with CENB. This was seconded by councilor Monette. Motion carried.

Letter – from Mrs. Jennifer Bent Richard, Canada Games, requesting that council donates \$250.00 to Team NB in exchange for the town to become an Honorary Team NB Member for the 2009 Games.

09-99

It was moved by councilor Monette that council refuse Team NB's proposition. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

Letter – from Dr. Graham D. Sher, Canadian Blood Services, thanking council for the letter of support regarding the announcement of Canadian Blood Services' facilities re-development plan for Atlantic Canada was read for information.

- Letter – from Mr. Daniel LeBlanc, Sentier de l'Étoile, inviting council to the unveiling of the Directors Plan of Sentier which will be held in Memramcook Tuesday, June 2nd 2009 was read for information. Pierre Lemonde will attend.
- Copy of a letter – from Mrs. Shelley McWilliams to Mr. Ola Daigle, thanking the Richibucto Fire Fighters on behalf of Muscular Dystrophy Canada for the money raised during the last fiscal year was read for information. A letter will be sent to Mr. Ola Daigle.
- Letter – from Mrs. Lise Ouellette, AFMNB, informing council that the AFMNB deplores the provincial government's decision to force on the municipalities the burden to pay a cost connected to the presumptive insurance which the firemen from the province will benefit was read for information.
- Copy of a letter – from Mr. Guy Leger to Mr. Bill Levesque, accepting the Touristic Initiative Rexton, Richibucto, Saint-Louis-de-Kent budget was read for information.
- Copy of a letter – from Mr. Meldric J. Mazerolle to Mrs. Angie Donahoe, in regards to the Tim Horton Camp day was read for information.
- Copy of a letter – from Mr. Gilles Belleau to Mrs. Lisa Hay-Busson, requesting an advance of funding for the Arena J Charles Daigle's renovation project was read for information.
- Copy of a letter – from Mr. Meldric J. Mazerolle to Mrs. Marthe Leger, informing her of the excellent serviced received during a visit at the Stella Maris de Kent Hospital.
- Copy of a letter – from Mr. Meldric J. Mazerolle to Hon. Denis Landry, in regards to the refusal of the Amelioration of Route 134 project by the Department of Transportation was read for information.
- Copy of a letter – from Mr. Meldric J. Mazerolle to Mr. Yvon Fontaine, congratulating Mr. Fontaine for his nomination of the presidency of one of the most important francophone institution, l'Agence universitaire de la francophonie, for four years was read for information.

Letter – from Mr. Gerald Richard, School District # 11, informing council that the request to use the property at Soleil Levant School for the 1755 concert was refused was read for information.

Letter – from Mr. Richard Thebeau, Kent Center Chamber of Commerce, informing council that as of the end of August 2009 the chamber will no longer pay the telephone bill was read for information.

09-100

It was moved by councilor Monette that the invoices be paid. This was seconded by councilor Monette. Motion carried.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Patching

The General Manager informed council that the patching has been completed for a total amount of 56,000.00\$

By-Law for Unsightly Premises

09-101

It was moved by councilor Monette that the advertising be done in the newspapers for the unsightly premises by-law. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

Meeting with NuFocus

Council agreed that the meeting with NuFocus be rescheduled in the fall.

Kent Planning Commission

09-102

It was moved by councilor Richard that council accepts the Kent Planning Commission's suggestion in regards to the rezoning of the Johnny Cormier's property. The announcement relative to the article 25 will be published in the papers during the summer season. This was seconded by councilor Monette. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Renting of a Space on the Arena Sign for Gaba Holding

09-103

It was moved by councilor Monette that council accepts to charge \$200.00 per year to Gaba Holding for the location of the space on the arena sign. This was seconded by Councilor Richard. Motion carried.

Motion for the \$360,000.00 Loan for the Arena

09-104

It was moved by councilor Monette that the general manager proceed with the request to the Capital Borrowing Board to borrow the sum of \$360,000.00. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

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Improvement of the Town Hall Project (\$75,000.00)

Council agreed that the parking lot at the Town Hall be patched.

Cancelation of the Meetings this Summer (July and August)

09-105

It was moved by councilor Monette that the July meeting be canceled. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

Presentation of Bursary (MFR & Bonar Law)

No one from council is available to present the bursary to both schools.

Payments Due in July

The General Manager informed council that the majority of the payments for our loans totaling approximately \$240,000.00 will be credited in our bank during the month of July and that we are in a good financial position to honor them.

Minor Hockey Gold Tournament

Council agreed that a team be formed for the tournament and that a hole be sponsored by the town.

Request from Maria Thebeau

09-106

It was moved by councilor Richard that Maria Thebeau's request be sent to the Kent Planning Commission for recommendations. This was seconded by councilor Monette. Motion carried.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

General Manager – The Regional Society Development granted us \$75,000.00 for the improvement of the Town Hall project. In regards to the revitalization of the fronts in the Down-town, a first project was realized by Richibucto Furniture and should be completed in a couple of days. The request was sent to the Federal Government (APECA) for the renovation of the arena project. Our 30 seasonal sites at Jardine have been confirmed. The VIP tickets for the 1755 and Suroît concert were established at \$50.00 per ticket and we have 100. The other 25 tickets will be given to the council members. There is no change in regards to the small claims court.

09-107

It was moved by councilor Monette that council accepts that 100 VIP tickets be sold and that the other 25 be given to the members of council. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

Finance, Municipal Infrastructure and Chamber of Commerce –

The financial report was presented.

The Chamber of Commerce will be at the door for the boat parade.

The Chamber made a profit of \$2,200.00 at the Expo.

Everything is going well at Jardine Municipal Park.

09-108

It was moved by councilor LeBlanc that the report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

Recreation Council, Youth Club, Leisure Activities, Education & Formation –
In regards to the Recreation Council, one summer project was received and we are waiting for the confirmation of a second one.
The Youth Club will be closed during the month of July & August.
In regards to the Library, everything is going good.
In regards to the Learning Center, no meeting was held.

09-109

It was moved by councilor Monette that the report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

Water & Sewerage, Kent Solid Waste Commission and Kent Planning Commission –
In regards to the water & sewerage, there are no changes.
In regards to the Kent Solid Commission, the tonnage was 80.34 ton for the month of May 2009.
The building permit report was presented indicating a total of \$220,000.00 to the end of May 2009.

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It was moved by councilor Richard that the report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor Larin. Motion carried.

Environment, Scallop Festival, Transportation and Port Authority –
The fire report was presented indicating a total of 6 calls for a total of 56 hours for the month of May 2009.
The police report was also presented.

09-111

It was moved by councilor Larin that the report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

Public Relations, Human Resource, Forum of Municipalities, Richibucto Team and Kent Enterprise –
May 24th – Participated at a super at the Rotary Club in Bouctouche;
May 25th – Assisted at a Press Conference at Imperial;
May 28th – Meeting with representatives of the University of Moncton;
May 30th and 31st – Participated in the Chamber of Commerce Expo;
June 1st – Meeting with the Minister and Deputy Minister of Justice and the Committee to save the court house;
June 2nd – Participated to the Kent Enterprise Annual General Assembly;
June 3rd – Tim Horton Camp Day;

June 3rd – Visited Eleanor Graham School with two representatives of the University of Moncton;
June 6th – Participated in the Relay for Life;
Mayor Mazerolle thanks the Richibucto Team, the organization committee, the participants and all the volunteers;
June 9th – Meeting with Walter Waite, Guy Leger, Barry Glencross, Gilles and David Hanson to talk about the Industrial Park transfer;
June 10th – Assisted at the launching of the Pays de la Sagouine Program;
June 12th – Assisted at the launching of the Festival of Banners;
Mayor Mazerolle congratulates Pierre and his committee for the work and excellent organization;
June 13th – Assisted at the Prime Minsiter Super in St-John;
June 14th – Participated in the 25th anniversary of Father Robert Allain;
June 16th – Meeting with the Minister of Environment and NB University;
Maire Mazerolle thanks councilor Monette for the garage sale and for representing Mayor Mazerolle at the Regional Games; he also thanks councilor Richard for participating in the AGA of the Kent Planning Commission and last councilor Larin for participating in the Richibucto Air Cadet Ceremony;

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It was moved by councilor Monette that the report be adopted as presented. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

ADJOURMENT

09-113

It was moved by councilor Richard that the meeting be adjourned at 8:45 pm. This was seconded by councilor Larin. Motion carried.

Gilles Belleau
General Manager

Meldric J. Mazerolle
Mayor