

REGULAR MEETING

Town of Richibucto
March 17th, 2009

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

Present: Mayor Meldric J. Mazerolle, Councillors; 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.

09-41

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

Article 3B – Word from the Mayor

Article 6(xxiv) – Letter from FCM

Article 6(xxv) – Letter from Mr. Jack Graham, Richibucto Lions Club

This was seconded by councilor Larin. Motion carried.

Mayor Mazerolle offers his sincere sympathies to Pierre for the lost of his father on behalf of the members of council and the employees. He also wishes a happy birthday to the Irish on this St-Patrick's Day.

09-42

It was moved by councilor Monette that the minutes of February 17th and March 10th, 2009 be adopted as circulated. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCES

Letter – from Mrs. Mona Mazerolle, Crime Stoppers, requesting a financial contribution.

09-43

It was moved by councilor Monette that council accepts to make a contribution of \$250. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

Letter – from Mrs. Julie-Anne Thébeau-Robichaud, Tree of Hope, expressing there gratitude for the town’s support during the Tree of Hope campaign was read for information.

Letter – from Mr. Pierre Lemonde, Rexton-Richibucto-Saint-Louis Cultural and Tourism Development Initiative, presenting the guidelines to be perusal and approved.

09-44

It was moved by councilor Monette that council accepts the guidelines. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

Letter – from Mr. Pierre Lemonde, Rexton-Richibucto-Saint-Louis Cultural and Tourism Development Initiative, in regards to the 2009 Tourism circular was read for information.
This item was tabled to the next meeting.

Letter – from Mr. Pierre Lemonde, Rexton-Richibucto-Saint-Louis Cultural and Tourism Development Initiative, requesting support from the communities for the Dark Sky Reserve project was read for information.

09-45

It was moved by councilor LeBlanc that a letter of support be sent. This was seconded by councilor Larin. Motion carried.

Letter – from Mrs. Louise Lemon, in regards to the review of the Public Purchasing Act and Regulations was read for information.

Copy of a letter – from Mr. Bernard LeBlanc to Mr. Paul Leger (BIA) informing Mr. Leger that the contribution to the BIA will be sent shortly was read for information.

Letter – from Mr. Andre Chenard, Building Canada Fund, informing council that the online application for Canada-NB-Building Canada Fund is now available was read for information.

Letter – from Mrs. Patricia Brayley, Population Growth, in regards to the application under the Youth Engagement Funding Program was read for information.

Letter – from Mrs. Leah Essensa, Supply and Services, in regards to the lease rental from Service NB for a lot portion (PID 25138769) was read for information.

- Letter – from Mr. Stephen Battah, Local Government, informing council that the Canada-wide Strategy for the Management of Municipal Wastewater Effluent was endorsed by the Canadian Council of Minister of Environment was read for information.
- Letter – from Mr. Thierry Arseneau, Local Government, in regards to the Disability Awareness Week Provincial Awards was read for information.
- Letter – from Mrs. Bonny Hoyt-Hallet, Local Government, in regards to the new Assistant Deputy Minister of Local Government, Mr. Real Gervais was read for information.
- Letter – from Mr. Thierry Arseneau, Local Government, in regards to the FCM Green Municipal Fund – NB Municipalities Can Access Low-Interest Loan was read for information.
- Letter – from Mr. Francois Varin, Fondation Rues principales, offering there expertise for a durable development was read for information.
- Letter – from FCM in regards to the lights out across Canada for Earth Hour March 28, 2009 was read for information.
- Letter – from Mr. Bill Barrett, Barrett Xplore, informing council that they were chosen to put in place the infrastructure necessary to offer high speed service to the 10 percent of the province who do not have access yet was read for information.
- Letter – from Mr. Robert Waite, Canada Post, in regards to the 2009 Community Literacy Award was read for information.
- Letter – from Mrs. Louise Castonguay, Canadian Red Cross, thanking council for the outstanding support for the annual Humanitarian Award Dinner was read for information.
- Letter – from Mr. Arran McPherson, Fisheries and Oceans, in regards to the opportunity to comment on the potential socio-economic impacts of listing the population of Bay of Fundy Tributaries Striped bass threatened was read for information.

Letter – from Mr. Peter Seheult, NB Police Commission, in regards to the complain process – NB Police Act was read for information.

Copy of a letter – from Mr. Meldric J. Mazerolle to Mr. Andre Laplante, in regards to the J. Charles Daigle recreation center renovation project was read for information.

Copy of a letter – from Mr. Meldric J. Mazerolle to Hon. Denis Landry, in regards to the amelioration plan for route 134 was read for information.

Letter – from FCM, in regard to the FCM resolution/National Board Meeting – Bottled water was read for information.
This item was tabled to the next meeting.

Letter – from Mr. Jack Graham, Richibucto Lions Club, requesting that council takes over the park on Lise Street and names it “Yvon Richard Park”.

09-46

It was moved by councilor Richard that council accepts Mr. Jack Graham’s request to take over the park on Lise Street and name it “Yvon Richard Park. This was seconded by councilor Monette. Motion carried.

09-47

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

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UNFINISHED BUISINESS

Hiring of Gabriel Doiron

09-48

It was moved by councilor Monette that council accepts to pay \$1 more per hour to Gabriel to give him \$10 per hour. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

Recognition night for the employees

The General Manager informed council that the employee's recognition night will be held on April 3rd.

Employee's anniversary

Council agreed that a gift certificate be offered to the employees for their anniversary and that we celebrate the anniversaries with a birthday cake four (4) times per year (on the (4) seasons).

NEW BUSINESS

Request from CADK – Extension of York Street

This item was tabled to the next meeting with more information available.

Purchase of a Smartboard and laptop for the multifunctional room

09-49

It was moved by councilor Monette that council accepts to purchase a Smartboard and laptop for the multifunctional room. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

Motion for a special meeting every 1st Tuesday of the month

09-50

It was moved by councilor Monette that council accepts to have a meeting every 1st Tuesday of the month for a special meeting if necessary. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

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Financial request to the NB Finance Corporation

09-51

It was moved by councilor Monette that council request financial assistance to the NB Finance Corporation for the amount of \$160,000.00. This was seconded by councilor LeBlanc. Motion carried.

Training session for Melanie and Christine – Provincial Archives

The General Manager informs council that Melanie and Christine will be going to Fredericton for a training session at the Provincial Archives.

COMMITTEE REPORT

General Manager – The internet site has been completed. Gabriel Doiron was hired for a six (6) month project starting March 9th. The Firm Paul L. Bourque has completed their work at the office and the financial statement should be completed shortly. In regards to the Building Canada infrastructure project, it has been approved for a sum of \$947,922.00. The request to the Regional Society Development for the Call Center and the Downtown were presented. The architect Jacques Boucher presented his first sketch for the Chief project.

Finance, Municipal Infrastructure and Chamber of Commerce –
The Chamber of Commerce annual meeting will be held on April 15th. Councilor LeBlanc informed council that he participated in the launching of the Relay for Life.

09-52

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

Recreation Council, Youth Club, Leisure Activities, Education & Formation –
In regards to the Recreation council, the application for the student projects were sent and the yard sale will be held during the last weekend of May.
In regards to the youth club, the activities in the school gym are becoming more popular.
A meeting was held with the Learning Center on February 27th, 2009.

09-53

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

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Water & Sewerage, Kent Solid Waste Commission and Kent Planning Commission –
No report available for the Kent Solid Waste Commission.
In regards to the water & sewerage, the project was accepted with Building Canada.
No building permits were given in regards to the Kent Planning Commission for the month of January and February 2009.

09-54

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

Environment, Scallop Festival, Transportation and Port Authority –
The fire report was presented indicating 3 calls for a total of 27 hours for the month of February 2009.

09-55

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

Public Relations, Human Resource, Forum of Municipalities, Richibucto Team and Kent Enterprise –
February 18th – Annual meeting of the Concertation of Mayors in Fredericton;
February 22nd – Participated in a rock-a-ton;
February 24th – Special meeting;
February 24th – Meeting with NuFocus;
February 25th – Meeting in Kouchibouguac-Presentation of the director's report;
February 25th – Meeting with Emile Chevarie;
February 27th – Meeting with education council #11 with councilor Monette, Normand Richard and a few other directors;
March 5th – Meeting with Rues Principales;
March 10th – Extraordinary meeting;
March 11th – Meeting with Michel Saurette;
March 11th – Meeting with Gilles, Sean and Michel from Crandall Eng.;
March 17th – Meeting with the Mayor of Rexton;

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

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ADJOURNMENT

09-57

It was moved by councilor Monette that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m. This was seconded by councilor Richard. Motion carried.

Gilles Belleau
General Manager
Meldric J. Mazerolle
Mayor