

Village of Chipman
Regular Council Meeting March 2, 2015

The regular meeting of the Village of Chipman Council was called to order by Mayor Edward Farris at 7 PM on March 2, 2015. All Councillors were present; namely, Councillor Carol Boyd, Councillor Faith Kennedy, Councillor Robin Wasson and Councillor Keith West.

Moved by Councillor Robin Wasson and seconded by Councillor Keith West that minutes of the regular meeting of February 9, 2015 be adopted as circulated. Motion carried.

Mayor Farris has requested a meeting with Transportation Minister Robert Melanson. A date has not been decided yet.

We are still collecting on overdue sewerage accounts.

A new business will be opening up in the Minto Industrial Park in the old Gaddess building. It is a laundry industry run by Cory Stephens, Laurel Williams and Lyndon Williams. Their initial target is the hotel and insurance industry cleaning soft linens, bedding, towels, etc. Their goal is to add three hotels each year until 2018. They hope to be up and running in April.

A letter was sent to MP Tilley O'Neill Gordon's office requesting funding for renovations to the Heritage Centre. As the JOY Club uses this building for their functions, it was suggested that we apply under the New Horizon for Seniors' program. They are not accepting applications at this time. We will continue to check the website for the application.

The next Growth Committee meeting is on March 4, 2015 at 7 PM in Chipman Council Chambers.

There was a major break at the Elliott Brook pump station. An excavator was hired as one pipe was too far down for our backhoe to reach.

A pump from the old Irving Convenience pump station had to be sent to Fredericton to be fixed.

Councillor Faith Kennedy gave the Festival report. A festival meeting was held on February 23, 2015. The dates of festival are August 6 – 9, 2015. The theme is "Celebrating Chipman's Heritage". Nominations for Distinguished Citizen are being accepted at the Village Office until June 1, 2015. The next festival meeting is March 20, 2015 at 7 PM.

Canada Day grant has been applied for.

The Chipman Library Foundation Heritage evening will be held on April 10, 2015 at 7 PM. The theme this year is Lumbering.

Some suggestions received regarding Hamilton-Baird Park were to add some basketball nets, turn the tennis courts into a skateboard park and maybe an outdoor rink in the winter, wifi in the mini golf building.

Councillor Robin Wasson gave the Transportation report. This month was mostly snow removal – plowing and hauling of snow.

Minlak meeting was cancelled. A date for the next meeting has not been determined yet.

Councillor Wasson was unable to attend the Community Care meeting.

Councillor Keith West gave the Fire Department report. There were 5 calls in the month of February. Five fire personnel are taking the Level I training which amounted to 157 ½ training hours.

There is no date for the firemen's auction yet.

Councillor Carol Boyd gave the website report and the Chipman Outreach report.

Councillor Boyd attended a meeting with the Queens County Heritage group on February 11, 2015. They plan to have a monthly article in the Grand Lake Mirror, moving the replica church in Briggs Corner to Chipman, have a one day seminar for museum student and/or volunteers on how to operate a museum, provide a computer, printer and scanner for the museum. They will also be applying for a SEED student for the museum.

Councillor Boyd thanked the JOY Club for their help with our Heritage night on February 19, 2015.

The Advisory Board has received an inquiry about a Hobby Farm and another inquiry about a man who would like to move to Chipman. He runs a mobile eatery and his wife is a registered massage therapist. Councillor Boyd will contact this man and let him know that we have his request and that the advisory committee will meet to discuss these inquiries and let him know the outcome.

Esther Boyd will be taking over as dispatcher while Lawrence Boyd is out sick.

Moved by Councillor Robin Wasson and seconded by Councillor Carol Boyd that the following application for financing be adopted:

Application for Financing

Resolved that the Clerk and/or Treasurer and/or Mayor be authorized to issue and sell to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation a Municipality of Chipman debenture in the principal amount of \$243,999 on such terms and conditions as are recommended by the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation, and be it resolved that the Municipality of Chipman agree to issue post-dated cheques payable to the New Brunswick Municipal Finance Corporation as and when they are requested in payment of principal and interest charges on the above debenture. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Robin Wasson and seconded by Councillor Carol Boyd that payment of General Fund Bills in the amount of \$135,131.56 and Sewerage Fund Bills in the amount of \$18,050.86 be approved. Motion carried.

On motion, meeting adjourned.

Mayor

Clerk