

UNOFFICIAL BRIEF REPORT
MEETING MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
BEAUBASSIN-EST RURAL COMMUNITY
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM AT 1709 ROUTE 133, GRAND-BARACHOIS
March 20th, 2017 at 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Mr. Ronnie Duguay, Mayor
Mrs. Susan Cormier, Deputy Mayor
Mr. André Bourque, Councillor
Mrs. Michelle Gallant-Richards, Councillor
Mr. Michel E. Gaudet, Councillor
Mrs. Sophie Landry, Councillor
Mr. Gaétan LeBlanc, Councillor
Mr. Omer Leger, Councillor
Mr. Terry Richard, Councillor
Mrs. Josée Vautour, Councillor
Mrs. Charline Landry, Acting CAO
Mr. Yves M. Leger, Acting Clerk

SUPPORT STAFF: Mrs. Carole Friolet-Landry, Acting Assistant CAO

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Mayor Ronnie Duguay.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

I move the adoption of the agenda with the following modification: that Item 10.i) Financial Statements 2016 will pass after item 5. Business arising from the minutes of the agenda.

Moved by Councillor Sophie Landry
Seconded by Councillor Gaétan LeBlanc
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

3. Declaration of conflict of interest

None

4. Adoption of the minutes

I move the adoption of the minutes of February 20th, 2017 regular meeting as presented.

Moved by Councillor André Bourque
Seconded by Councillor Omer Leger
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

5. Business arising from the minutes

None

10. i) Financial Statements 2016

Mr. Léon Bourque, CPA for the firm L. Bourque & Associates P.C. Inc., presented the financial statements of the Beaubassin-est Rural Community for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2016.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Beaubassin-est Council accepts the financial reports from the auditor for the 2016 fiscal year as presented by Mr. Léon Bourque, CPA for the firm L. BOURQUE & ASSOCIATES P.C. INC.

Moved by Councillor Sophie Landry
Seconded by Councillor Josée Vautour
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

6. Public Presentations

a. Requests and petitions from the public

None

b. Community Information

Councillor Terry Richard shares details of a show at the Saint-André-LeBlanc Center on March 25-26, 2017.

Councillor Gaétan LeBlanc shares details of the Beaubassin-est minor baseball.

7. New Business

Deputy Mayor Susan Cormier shares that she recently participated in a Tree of Hope Committee meeting. She will provide more information to the Council on this committee in a future meeting.

8. Correspondence and activities

a. Correspondence received

- i. Letter from Mrs. Nancy Gauthier of the CRTC, regarding community access to the Internet in New Brunswick
- ii. Letter from Mr. Jean-Claude Savoie et Mr. Donat Thériault of the Jeux de l'Acadie Foundation, regarding our contribution
- iii. Letters from Mr. Douglas Browne, Office of the Fire Marshal, regarding the participation of Fire Chief Gaétan LeBlanc and Captain Philippe LeBlanc to assist the communities of the Acadian Peninsula during the ice storm crisis

- iv. Letter from the Honorable Brian Gallant, Prime Minister of New Brunswick, on funding projects in New Brunswick for the 150th anniversary of the Confederation

The Acting CAO shared a draft letter to be sent out for funding projects for the 150th anniversary of Confederation in New Brunswick.

b. Correspondence sent

None

c. Activities

- i. The Acting Assistant CAO shared details on the grants for community organizations program. The deadline for applications is March 31st, 2017. She also shared details for the scholarship. The deadline for applying for the scholarship is April 30th, 2017.

9. Reports

- i. Firefighters CRBe/Cap-Pelé/Shediac

This report will be presented at a future meeting.

- ii. Strategic Planning Committee

The Acting Mayor presented the report of the Strategic Planning Committee. She shared that JGV Consultants Inc. would be hired to redo the strategic plan which would include a consultation with the population.

10. Subjects of the agenda

- ii. Rezoning – Pierre Cormier

The Acting Director General reported that an error had occurred in the resolution on the rezoning for Pierre Cormier at the last meeting. The date for hearing objections was set for April 17th but the date should have been April 18th due to the closure of the office for Easter Monday on April 17th.

CONSIDERING THAT the *Planning Act* requires that Council should request an opinion prior to the adoption of a draft By-Law and that notices must be published;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council requests a written opinion on the draft By-Law concerning the modification of the Rural Plan in order to make the following changes:

- **Rezone a portion of the property PID 00856336 from the IRE: Intensive Resource Exploitation Zone to RD: Resource Development Zone to allow a Single-Family Home.**

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

a) a By-Law amending the By-Law adopting the rural plan is written and be available for public consultation;

b) the Acting Clerk is responsible, on behalf of Council, to publish the public notices in accordance with the *Planning Act*;

c) the study of objections to the draft By-Law is fixed to April 18th, 2017 in the public meeting room at 1709 Route 133 at 7:00 pm.

Moved by Councillor Josée Vautour
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Susan Cormier
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

iii. Rezoning - Community Wind Farms

CONSIDERING THAT the *Planning Act* requires that Council should request an opinion prior to the adoption of a draft By-Law and that notices must be published;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council requests a written opinion on the draft By-Law concerning the modification of the Rural Plan in order to make the following changes:

- **Allow a large wind turbine in Zone I - Industries subject to section 10.23 (4) of the Beaubassin-est rural plan.**

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

a) a By-Law amending the By-Law adopting the rural plan is written and be available for public consultation;

b) the Acting Clerk is responsible, on behalf of Council, to publish the public notices in accordance with the *Planning Act*;

c) the study of objections to the draft By-Law is fixed to May 15th, 2017 in the public meeting room at 1709 Route 133 at 7:00 pm.

Moved by Councillor Michelle Gallant-Richards
Seconded by Councillor Omer Leger
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

iv. Sale of surplus item (Fire Truck)

CONSIDERING THAT the municipality has purchased a fire truck and that the truck Ford Tanker (1983) is no longer required in the fleet of the brigade;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council declare the truck as surplus to the Municipality, that the staff proceed with a request for proposals to sell the truck and that it be sold "as is".

Moved by Councillor André Bourque
Seconded by Councillor Gaétan LeBlanc
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

- v. Appointment - agents of unsightly and dangerous premises

That under the *Community Planning Act*, the *Municipalities Act* and the *Police Act*, BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the Beaubassin-est Rural Community appoint Stacy Losier and Kyleigh Roy as officers responsible for the enforcement of municipal By-Laws and that they are authorized, appointed and nominated to act for and on behalf of the Rural Community for the purpose of enforcing municipal By-Laws and that such appointment continues as long as the said persons remain in the service of the municipality or such appointment is limited or terminated by the council.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Susan Cormier
Seconded by Councillor Michel E. Gaudet

On the question, Councillor Gaétan LeBlanc suggested that "**BE IT RESOLVED that the budgeted amount be respected on an annual basis.**" be added to the proposal.

Accepted by the mover and the supporter before the vote.

Vote

Motion carried unanimously

- vi. Appointment of Council Member - Greater Shédiac Community Garden

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councilor Michel E. Gaudet be appointed as representative of the Beaubassin-est Rural Community to the Greater Shédiac Community Garden Committee.

Moved by Councillor André Bourque
Seconded by Councillor Gaétan LeBlanc
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

- vii. Appointment of Council Member - Multiculturalism in our communities - Creation of a working group

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Deputy Mayor Susan Cormier be appointed as the representative of the Beaubassin-est Rural Community to the Working Group on Multiculturalism in our communities.

Moved by Councillor Gaétan LeBlanc
Seconded by Councillor Josée Vautour
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

- viii. Generator (Haute-Aboujagane fire station and municipal building)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize staff to proceed with RFPs for the purchase of a generator at the Haute-Aboujagane Fire Station and a generator at the Municipal Building.

Moved by Councillor Michelle Gallant-Richards
Seconded by Councillor Terry Richard
Vote

Motion carried unanimously

- ix. Gas Tax Fund - Report on the addition of a Selective Service (Grand-Barachois Trail Project)

The Acting CAO gives details to Council. Several Councillors asked questions

CONSIDERING THAT the municipality had established a procedure allowing wards to be taxed for selective services according to their needs or wishes;

CONSIDERING THAT residents of Grand-Barachois have submitted a petition requesting a meeting so that the public can decide whether to pay the annual maintenance costs related to a new trail in Grand-Barachois (from the Church to Pointe-aux-Bouleaux) built with the Gas Tax Funds;

CONSIDERING THAT the staff organized a meeting at Salle Grand-Barachois on February 15th, 2017 so that there could be a vote of the population on the increase of their property taxes or not with the addition of the selective service of a Trail in Grand-Barachois;

CONSIDERING THAT at the public meeting held in the ward, 53 of the 64 people present voted in favor of the proposed project;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council add \$ 7,000 to the maintenance budget for the Grand-Barachois Trail beginning January 1st, 2018, to a maximum of \$ 50,000 in reserve, and that staff use these funds to pay the maintenance costs of this trail, according to the criteria of the municipal policy to this effect;

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting of February 15th, 2017 be adopted as presented.

Moved by Councillor Michelle Gallant-Richards
Seconded by Councillor Omer Leger

On the question, Councillor Gaétan LeBlanc suggested that "**CONSIDERING THAT no objections were received within the time allowed in the established process.**" be added to the motion.

Accepted by the proposer and the supporter before the vote.

Vote

Yes (8)
No (1) - Conseillère Sophie Landry

Motion carried

WHEREAS Council has resolved the addition of a selective service in the district of Grand-Barachois;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council proceed with the call for tenders for the construction of a trail in Grand-Barachois (Church of Pointe-aux-Bouleaux) and that the funds will come from the Tax Funds gasoline.

Moved by Councillor Michelle Gallant-Richards
Seconded by Councillor Michel E. Gaudet
Vote

Yes (8)
No (1) - Councillor Sophie Landry

Motion carried

11. Question period

Mr. Jean-Albert Cormier, resident of Haute-Aboujagane

Mr. Cormier congratulated the Council on proceeding with the trail project in Grand-Barachois.

Mr. Edgar LeBlanc, resident of Grand-Barachois

Mr. LeBlanc asks about the value of the fire truck.

Mr. Jean-Paul Melanson, resident of Dieppe

Mr. Melanson asked a question regarding recordings of Council meetings.

Mrs. Odette Babineau, resident of Shediac

Mrs. Babineau congratulated the Council on the decision to add a selective service. She asked a question about the municipal by-law enforcement officer and a question about the public attendance at meetings. She asked for a clarification on the financial statements and a clarification on an expenditure incurred by a Council member in October 2016.

Mrs. Marlene Dugas, resident of Grand-Barachois

Mrs. Dugas congratulated the Council on moving forward with the proposed gas tax project. She asks a question for the 150th and the municipality's request.

Mr. Robert Audoux, resident of Grand-Barachois

Mr. Audoux congratulates Council on proceeding with the gas tax project.

12. Next scheduled meeting

Acting Clerk informs the public of the next Council Regular Meeting will be on April 18th, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the meeting room at 1709 Route 133 in Grand-Barachois.

13. Adjournment

I propose that the meeting be adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Moved by Councillor Omer Leger

Adopted on April 18th, 2017

Mayor

Acting Clerk