

## **April 16, 2018**

The regular monthly Council meeting of the Alma Village Council was held on April 16, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Village Office. Mayor Shortt, Deputy Mayor Casey, Councillor Bowron, Councillor Butland, Brenda Hoar, (Acting Clerk/Treasurer), Mr. Steve Chrysostom, Mrs. Jane Chrysostom, Mr. Lee Warnock, Mrs. Susan McCullum, Mr. Paul McKinley, Ms. Margaret Lowell, Mr. Greg Horseman, Mr. Graham Copp and Officer Dow were in attendance.

Mayor Shortt addressed some housekeeping rules such as; there is to be no speaking at Council Meetings unless a written request has been received beforehand. Mayor Shortt also addressed Facebook postings. There was an issue where wrong information was posted on facebook about the Village's Council Meeting Agenda, Mayor Shortt informed the public that if they want to obtain correct draft agenda please go on the Village's web page at [www.villageofalma.ca](http://www.villageofalma.ca) all other posting are not sanctioned by Village Council.

7:00 pm Mayor Shortt called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

### **Approval of Minutes and Financial Statements**

It was moved by Councillor Casey and Seconded by Councillor Bowron to approve agenda. Motion Carried.

### **RCMP Report**

Officer Jeffery Dow reported that in the last 60 days there were only two calls one being 911 call to Fundy National Park, and one sudden death call which turned out to be death due to natural causes. Officer Dow reported that they have not heard whether or not Fundy National Park will be funding more RCMP protection on the weekends during summer months.

It was moved by Councillor Bowron and Seconded by Councillor Casey to approve March 26, 2018 minutes. Motion Carried.

Mayor Shortt took an opportunity to address the issue of members of public viewing Council Minutes. Minutes can be viewed on the Village's Web page, also available on our web page are draft minutes, they can be viewed prior to the Council meetings. Village's minutes can be viewed any time at the Village Office. Village minutes will not be leaving the Village Office in either format hard or digital copy.

### **Financial Statement**

It was moved by Councillor Casey and Seconded by Councillor Butland to accept financial records as presented by Treasurer Brenda Hoar. Motion Carried.

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### Committee Reports

**Mayor Shortt** – Reported the Rink Gala was well attended and received.

Alma Celebration Days met on April 05, 2018 with four new members, (Susan McCullum, William McCullum, Catherine Rhyno and Dean Rhyno). Draft agenda for Alma Celebrations; First day June 30<sup>th</sup>, Craft and Flea Market Sale, Children’s Activities, Town Crier, Dance. On July 1, Children’s Parade, Dessert Theatre, Fire Works. Day 3, Monday July 02 Cake walk, Duck Race, Scavenger Hunt.

### **Meetings attended by Mayor Shortt;**

- SouthEast Regional Service Commission meeting, Mayor Shortt reported that they are really putting a lot of effort into Tourism development strategies. On Friday there was an announcement from TNB that the Province will not support destination marketing funds. Next meeting will be held Tuesday April 24, 2018.
- Meeting with Mayor Campbell in Riverside Albert and people from tourism (ACTA, Friends of Fundy, and Fresh Foods, CCRC, AC Wellness Centre and Chamber of commerce) came together to discuss common goals on how to promote growth in Albert County.
- Met with Mr. Terry Rossiter about the community web cam he felt it was a very good idea. Mayor Shortt is to send a letter to Small Crafts Harbour asking to help fund the global web cam. Councillor Casey reported that Mr. David Casey has been in contact with the Province and they may purchase the web cam if there is funding available. Mr. David Casey is in talks with the Province and he will give Council a report as soon as he knows something. Clerk Brenda Hoar is to send an Email to Mr. David Casey and let him know that the Village of Alma is very much interested in the Global Web Cam.
- Mayor Shortt congratulated Mr. & Mrs. Steve Chrysostom for receiving Albert County Ambassador Award.

**Councillor Casey** – reported that Vision Alma will be meeting April 20, 2018. Rental space is coming along good. Lobster Trap interviews will be held on April 27, 2018.

**Councillor Butland** – will be meeting with Brown’s Paving concerning quote that the Village received to patch Fundy View Drive, School Street, Falcon Ridge, Brittany Crt., Bay View Rd. and Elliott Dr.

**Councillor Bowron** – Informed Council that she only meets with Fundy National Park four times a year and they will be meeting sometime in May and she will have a report in June.

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**Water Report** – was read. Most notable event was Coliform hit of 1.0 retested came back with normal results.

#### **Old Business**

Marcoux construction called Quincys Electric about lights at the Activity Centre they had been disconnected and needed to be reconnected before the Rink Gala. Vision Alma will meet this Friday April 20, 2018 to discuss starting new multipurpose building.

Councillor Casey and Councillor Bowron went to Orange Lane to locate survey pins. Councillor Casey and Councillor Bowron were able to locate one pin. The Village Office is to contact Jeff Boudreau to find out the width of Orange Lane and if there is a drainage plan in place for Mr. MacDonald's new building. Also a request to provide new map.

A letter is to be sent to Mr. MacDonald to remove fishing equipment from the Village's property (Orange Lane) that is blocking the end of Orange Lane.

#### **Clerk Report:**

Clerk reported that the memorial garden committee met for the first time three people were in attendance. It was suggested that we bring the idea of a brick walk way memorial to Vision Alma and ask them if they would mind adding this idea to their common green space plan. The idea had a positive response.

A Memorial Plaque was purchased for Mrs. Louise Butland and Mr. Rutherford Cooper.

Pastor Paul Steeves was wondering if Council would consider waving the cost of daily rental for the week of Vacation Bible School for the children.

It was moved by Councillor Butland and Seconded by Councillor Bowron to waive the cost of the Activity Centre rental for the week of Vacation Bible School. Motion Carried.

Clerk will set up a conference call Tuesday Morning at 9:00am with Mr. Mark Steeves from Service N.B. Recovery Services, Justice and Public Safety. Pertaining to disaster mitigation funds application that was made in 2014-2015 (Rain Storm).

Councillor Butland and Councillor Casey will look at the Lagoon road to see how the pot holes and road should be repaired.

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**New Business**

A meeting is to be set up with Buddha Bear, they would like to know when Brown's Paving are coming. The completion of their (Buddha Bear) parking area could be done the same time that the Village of Alma does their summer patching, cost maybe less if Browns Paving is already in the area. Mr. Graham Copp would like to be contacted as well, all in the hopes of doing some cost sharing.

Council felt that the parking signs in front of the Activity Centre and surrounding areas of Alma were small, research and quotes need to be done on purchasing much larger signage.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter -Pastor Paul Steeves – Wave cost of Activity Centre Rental  
 Email – Margot Cragg – List of critical infrastructure projects  
 Email – Jane Chrysostom – regarding draft minutes on web page  
 Email – Steve and Jane Chrysostom – Water & Sewer rate  
 Email – FCM Application for funding – Asset Management  
 Email – Marilyn Driscoll & Betsy Coleman – Celtic Awareness Week  
 Email – SouthEast Regional Service commission – Regional Trails Coordinator Contract – Job offer  
 Email – Disability Awareness Week – Proclamation  
 Email – Jane Chrysostom – DOT sign  
 Email – Kelly Serdarevich - Municipal World Magazine Subscription  
 Email – Tracey MacDonald – No Building Permits for the month of March

**Business arising from Correspondence**

Send letter to Mr. MacDonald  
 Letter to Mr. Steve Chrysostom  
 Fax Disability Awareness Week  
 Send application in for critical infrastructure projects  
 Call Pastor Paul Steeves

**BILLS to be paid**

All Bills are Paid

It was moved by Councillor Bowron and Seconded by Councillor Butland to go into "In Camera". Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Butland and Seconded by Councillor Bowron to come out of "In Camera". Motion Carried.

- A letter is to be sent from our Lawyer.

Councillor Bowron adjourned the meeting. Next meeting will be May 21, 2018.

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