

## January 15, 2018

The regular monthly Council meeting of the Alma Village Council was held on January 15, 2018 at 7:00pm 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, Mr. Hector Sonier, Mrs. Diane Sonier, Mr. William MacCallum, Mrs. Susan MacCallum and Sergeant Chantal Ouellette were in attendance.

Mayor Shortt called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

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

### **Guest Speaker on By-Law #79 – Mr. Steve Chrysostom**

Speaking again on Garbage By-Law he introduced another option for Council to consider he said it was not his idea but that of another resident, that being the tag system. So many tags would be given out by the Village to residents each year. This would allow for the Village to know exactly how much garbage to be expected each week. Residents also would have the option to buy more tags if needed this would generate revenue for the Village.

Meeting is set up with business owners who are apprehensive about the new Garbage By-Law Thursday January 18, 2018 at 7:00pm.

Another topic was a process change of Council to post draft minutes right after the Council meeting on the Village Web Page this would allow Residents to have optimal time to view the minutes.

Mayor Shortt addressed this issue by informing Mr. Steve Chrysostom that the Municipality Act strongly urges that the Minutes be approved before placing them on the Web. Also Mayor Shortt stated that our agenda is posted one week before Council meetings. This gives residents enough time to view and if there is a topic that they feel like they would like to address Council on a week before is plenty of time.

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

It was moved by Councillor Casey and Seconded by Councillor Bowron to approve December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 minutes as presented by Acting Clerk/Treasurer Brenda Hoar. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Casey and Seconded by Councillor Butland to amend Emergency Meeting topic on July 27, 2017 to read Garbage By-Law instead of Garbage contract. Motion Carried

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It was moved by Councillor Bowron and Seconded by Councillor Butland to amend Emergency Meeting on Oct 10, 2017 to have the heading "Emergency Meeting" which had been omitted. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bowron and Seconded by Councillor Butland to amend November 20, 2017 minutes to say "Guest Speaker on By-Law #79 — Mr. Steve Chrysostom read a letter that he sent to the Village dated November 6, 2017 expressing concerns about the new Garbage By-Law # 79. He asked the Council to adjust the policy to be more equitable to small business owners and not class them as commercial. Secondly he would like to see a definition to explain what constitutes a seasonal business. Thirdly he felt that the notification process about this change was non-existent. Council thanked Mr. Steve Chrysostom and Mayor Shortt moved the topic to "In Camera" and informed him he would get a reply on his concerns within one week".

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Casey and Seconded by Councillor Bowron to approve financial statements as presented by Acting Clerk/Treasurer Brenda Hoar. Motion Carried.

#### **Committee Reports:**

##### **Mayor Shortt:**

Mayor Shortt reported that she saw Santa at the Alma Rink's Christmas Party.

Also she reported that Councillor Casey, Councillor Bowron and herself met with Mr. Roland LeBlanc about garbage collection By-Laws. Mr. LeBlanc will gather information so that council can present this information to the residents at the January 18, 2017 meeting.

Mayor Shortt continues being active in finding a second water source. She obtained a water supply assessment that was done in 2007 by Fisher engineering. By obtaining this assessment this means that we do not have to hire an engineering company to do this work so it's a huge savings for the Village.

##### **Deputy Mayor Casey:**

Vision Alma update: Should have a meeting sometime this month. Railing will be put on activity centre this month as well.

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**Councillor Butland** – No Report

**Councillor Bowron:**

Will be meeting with Fundy National Park sometime this month.

**Water Report** was read, most notable event was Reservoir #2 was cleaned.

**EMO-** Power was out in the Village do to storm that was on Jan 05, 2018. Mayor Shortt opened the Activity Centre to whoever needed a place to get warm. Coffee, Tea and Hot Chocolate was made available.

**RCMP Report** - Sergeant Chantal Ouellette reported that all was very quiet with only 3 false alarm reported and this was due to a faulty alarm system going off.

**Old Business**

Rural Plan – Public Meeting on Feb 13, 2017 at 5:00pm.

Vision Alma – Meeting sometime this month.

Mapping – rescheduled.

Job Posting – Garbage job posting will go out asap and he or she will start February 5, 2018.

Signage for Alma – rescheduled.

**Resolution -** Re: Repeal and Replace the Village of Alma Rural Plan By-law No. 93.

It was moved by Councillor Casey and Seconded by Councillor Bowron.

WHEREAS Council has agreed to consider a repeal and replacement of the Village of Alma Rural Plan By-law;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Village of Alma directs the planning staff from the Southeast Regional Service commission that appropriate by-laws be prepared to replace By-law No. 93 the Village of Alma Rural Plan By-law; that the proposed by-laws be referred to the Planning Review and Adjustment Committee for its views; that the notice of intention requirements of the Council for Tuesday February 13, 2018 at 5:00pm at the Alma Activity Centre, 8 School Street, Alma, N.B. as the date, time and place for the Public Hearing for consideration of comments and objections to the proposed by-laws. Motion Carried.

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### Clerk Report:

Village Garbage Trailer will arrive tomorrow.

Craig Dixon Wastewater Treatment course will be November 19-22. Then he writes his exam on December 13, 2018.

It was moved by Councillor Butland and Seconded by Councillor Bowron to close TD Water and Sewer Account #4851-5203811. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bowron and Seconded by Councillor Butland to grant off season residential garbage collecting to Falcon Ridge B&B. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Casey and Seconded by Councillor Butland to adopt General Operating and Water & Sewer Budget for 2018. Motion Carried.

### CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter received from Mr. and Mrs. MacCallum obtaining to new garbage By-Law.
- Dominique – Thank You note
- Service NB – The new Local Governance Act and Modernized Community Planning Act will replace the Municipalities Act. Effective Jan 1, 2018.
- Tracy Wade – Confirm that the new Community Planning Act was proclaimed on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.
- Invitation to AC Business Strategic Workshop
- Environment and Local Government – A provincial water strategy has been developed the final water strategy is available online.
- Fundy National Park 2018 Winter Offer- Parks Canada is excited to announce that Fundy National Park will once again offer a winter experience for visitors in 2018.
- Letter received from Mr. Steve Chrysostom – Garbage By-Law.

### Business arising from Correspondence

none

### BILLS to be paid

Regional Destination Marketing invoice \$153.00

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Cooperative & Regional Planning Services \$178.00

Solid Waste Services \$2,731.11

Local Planning Services \$9,142.00

It was moved by Councillor Butland and Seconded by Councillor Casey to pay all Bills.  
Motion Carried.

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

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

Councillor Casey adjourned the meeting. Next meeting will be February 19, 2018.

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