

June 17, 2019

The regular monthly Council meeting of the Alma Village Council was held on June 17, 2019, at 7:00 pm at the Alma Activity Centre. Mayor Shortt, Deputy Mayor Casey, Councillor Bowron, Councillor MacCallum, and Brenda Hoar (Clerk/Treasurer) were present.

Mayor Shortt called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Motion

It was moved by Councillor Casey and **Seconded by Councillor MacCallum to approve amended agenda.**

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor Bowron and **Seconded by Councillor Casey to approve May 21, 2019 minutes.**

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councillor MacCallum and **Seconded by Councillor Bowron to accept Financial Statements for May, 2019.**

Motion Carried.

RCMP Report: No Report.

Mayor Shortt will write a letter expressing concerns for RCMP not attending council meetings and updating village on policing initiatives in our area.

Committee Reports

Mayor Shortt – reported that she attended the PC dinner on June 10, 2019, the guest speaker was Minister Andrea Anderson-Mason.

- Mayor Shortt attended the announcement of Ministerial Funding at Fundy National Park.
- Mayor and Council met with Mr. Shawn Burke from Crandall Engineering Ltd., who gave a presentation on the village's asset management plan.
- Mayor Shortt attended Southeast Regional Service Commission AGM meeting on May 28, 2019, along with Councillor Casey.
- Mayor Shortt attended the National Tourism Strategy announcement at Cape Enrage on May 24th. Alaina Lockhart was in attendance and announced that the federal government is investing 58.5 million into Canada tourism.

Councillor Casey – reported that road repair and paving had been started in the Village.

Councillor Bowron - Information on Visitor Experience Activities can be found on Fundy National Park's Web page.

<https://www.pc.gc.ca/en/pn-np/nb/fundy/activ/calendrier-calendar>

The park's pool will be open for the season starting this Friday, June 21st.

The Former Resident's Picnic will be on June 30th.

Grounds crew will start planting the new pollinator garden most likely this week in the park.

The Interpretation Activity Schedule will be available at the park kiosks and visitor centres shortly.

Councillor MacCallum – Councillor MacCallum attended the national tourism strategy announcement at Cape Enrage on May 24th. MP Alaina Lockhart announced that \$58.5 million would be made available to promote tourism in Canada with a whole-of-government approach to enhancing tourism products and collaborating with industry leaders to overcome barriers to growth in the industry.

Councillor MacCallum attended the safe affordable housing community meeting in Riverside Albert on May 28th. Presentations were made by Roy Ries (Committee Chair), Phyllis Hudson (Manager of Albert County Community Health Centre), Stephen Davies from Atlantic People's Housing Ltd. and Jessica Forbes (Housing Program Supervisor, Social Development). They have some exciting plans for housing in Riverside Albert if they can find a developer and if some senior members of their community buy into the idea of selling their home and moving to this new facility.

The Alma Celebration Days committee had a meeting on June 4th. The printed program draft should be finished today. Alma residents will receive a copy in their mailbox, the final schedule of events will also be posted on the Village of Alma website. There is a wrap-up meeting scheduled for June 24th when all final arrangements and volunteer duties will be firmed up.

Councillor MacCallum was not able to attend the Fundy Guild/Friends of Fundy Board meeting on June 4th but she knew that the focus of the meeting was a detailed discussion about the strategic planning report and the recommendations on how to move the organization forward.

The fire chief reports that things have remained quiet since his last report.

Water Report

Water report was read.

Old Business

Village Signage – Village signs are up and feedback from residents was very positive.

Water Exploration – Mayor Shortt reported that the Integrated Bilateral Agreement for investing in Canada Infrastructure program had been submitted, RDC looked at the application and wanted another application prepared which only included the water exploration portion not the entire project. This has been done and approved by RDC.

Third and Final Reading of by-law # 63A

Motion

It was moved by Councillor MacCallum and **Seconded by Councillor Bowron to accept the third and final reading of noise by-law # 63A.**

Motion Carried.

Clerk Report

Marcoux Construction has completed the village office roof.

-Mr. Alex Berry called from Local Environment and informed the clerk that the village still has money left over from the lagoon project. Clerk asked if a lagoon fence would be covered with this money, he will get back to her and let her know.

- Mr. Doug Kelly would like the village to fix his driveway whereas the village had done damage to his driveway during repair of a culvert.

Motion

It was moved by Councillor MacCallum and **Seconded by Councillor Bowron to repair damage to Mr. Kelly's driveway.**

Motion Carried

New Business

Motion

It was moved by Councillor Bowron and **Seconded by Councillor Casey to accept Brown's Paving quote for \$ 30, 820.00 plus HST.**

Motion Carried.

Mayor Shortt – reported that Dylan Butland would be returning as the village's summer student on June 24, 2019.

Q&A Session – Opportunity for community members to ask questions and receive answers. Thirty minutes were allotted.

Rescind Motion

It was moved by Councillor MacCallum and **Seconded by Councillor Bowron to rescind third and final reading of by-law # 63A.**

Motion Carried.

Correspondence

Service NB – Bill #13 amendment to the Local Governance Act.

Chipoudy Communities Revitalization Committee – seeking donation

Tracey MacDonald - Development permit

Business Arising from Correspondence

Motion

It was moved by Councillor Casey and **Seconded by Councillor MacCallum to donate \$100.00 to Chipoudy Communities Revitalization Committee.**

Motion Carried.

Paying of Bills

All bills paid

“In Camera Session”

Motion

It was moved by Councillor MacCallum and **Seconded by Councillor Casey to go into “In Camera.”**

Motion Carried.

Local Governance Act 68 (J)

It was moved by Councillor Casey and **Seconded by Councillor MacCallum to come out of “In Camera.”**

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Councillor Casey adjourned the meeting. Next meeting will be September 16, 2019.

Mayor

Clerk