

Agenda
Village of Fredericton Junction
Council Meeting
February 28th, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

1. Record of Attendance
2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Delegations & Petitions
6. Correspondence
7. Unfinished Business
8. Council Statements

9. Committee Reports

Community & Health Affairs / Finance
Administration / Transportation
Water & Sewer / Fire
Policing / Recreation / Land Development
CRSC / Economic Development

Deputy Mayor B Hartt
Councillor L Daley
Councillor J Webb
Councillor M Mersereau
Mayor L Falconer

10. Other Business

- Unsightly By Law Reading

11. Payment of Bills

12. Adjournment

**Village of Fredericton Junction
Council Minutes
February 12th, 2024**

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Len Falconer Councillor Lonnie Daley
Deputy Mayor Bobbie Hartt Councillor Mark Mersereau
Councillor James Webb Grant Artes
Kristie Fowler Joe Walter

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

“Moved by Councillor Daley and Seconded Councillor Webb that the January 22nd, 2024 Minutes be accepted as distributed.” Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

“Moved by Councillor Mersereau and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartt that the Agenda be accepted as distributed.” Motion Carried.

DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS:

- Resident Joe Walter received a letter of intent from the province. Lonnie – The project to add a bigger pipe has been put on hold.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

- White Rapids Manor letter received explaining expansion plans and funding received for Phase 1
 - Need to send a response letter to clarify the size of land requested
 - Survey will need to be done
 - Mark will contact RSC 11
- Letter received from DTI detailing Summer and Winter maintenance plans

CORRESPONDENCE SENT:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

COUNCIL STATEMENTS:

Councillor Webb: Frostival Sleigh rides were a hit and the event went well

Mayor Falconer: Thank you to Bobbi and the Frostival crew for all their hard work

COMMITTEE REPORTS:**CRSC / Economic Development:****Mayor Falconer:**

- Recent meeting with EMO Coordinators and Village of Tracy re: recent storms and power outages
 - EMO Recommendation to form a joint team between Tracy and Fredericton Junction with EMO and a crew where a base station can be set up
 - New system called Voyant Alert, circle place on map and will notify everyone
 - Board Meeting last week, RDC suggested we could pair up with another community and receive funding that way
 - Emo would come out and do training etc.
 - New Maryland offered to help with recruiting
 - Suggestion for Starlink – would need to go to SNB
 - Store was up and running quickly with Bell stick
- Another new service “Scan” is kind of like Crime Stoppers but for drugs where residents can call or email anonymously to report drug activity to be investigated
 - Add link to FJ website

Community & Health Affairs / Finance:**Deputy Mayor Hartt:***Tourism*

- Blockhouse- electrical rough in pretty much complete just need Panel and Service done, dry wall and crack filling will be next

- RDC came in – Kristie and Bobbi to meet to look over Blockhouse budget
- Tourism Booklet for 2024 Rose Arseneau contacted Len and Bobbi about top 5 picks (limited to 5)
 - Combined Blockhouse with Peterson’s Rocks (same physical location)
 - Currie House
 - Art in the Park
 - Red Haven Barn
 - White Rapids Adventure Trail
- Rose also wanted to confirm dates of our festivals
 - Frostival Feb 2-4, 2024
 - Come Home Week Aug 3-10, 24 (50th anniversary)

Community Affairs

- Frostival 2024 (Feb 2-Feb 4, 2024)
 - By the wrap meeting comments on Feb 7, 24 everyone was pleased with the turnout overall
 - Invoices for all organizations have been submitted, may need to reach out to RDC to see if they have any CIF monies left to contribute
 - Next year we will move the dates of our Frostival to later in the month of Feb
 - Dates chosen are Feb 13-17/2025. (Family Day Weekend)
- Come Home Week Committee
 - First meeting for the 50th year celebrations is Feb 18, 24
 - Notifications were put on the Fb page and website for anyone interested in helping to attend
- Family Skate Monday Feb 19, 24
 - Follow up with Alan re: Family Day skate at TriCo
- Healthcare Recruitment Committee – Sub-committee met Feb 8, 24
 - Met with Tricia Murray (Horizon Director Primary Health Fredericton & Community Health Program) and Danny Jardine (Horizon Regional Director Collaborative Care Senior Health and Healthy Aging). They reported that they are beginning a functional plan for the Oromocto area (we are included in the surrounding area) usually takes about 6 weeks to do.
- Welcome Wagon
 - Progress on set up is going well
 - Another meeting to be held in the near future
- SWS Headstart Resiliency Program
 - Next meeting is Feb 14, 24
- PSSC
 - Gearing up for the eclipse April 8, 24 and dismissing the children early that day due to the eclipse happening at 3:30pm (safety of children’s eyes)

- Due to recent Teachers contract next year K-2 will be going to school until 3pm from the current 2pm (Friday afternoons – not touched as they have been grandfathered in)
- Next PSSC meeting will be March 13, 24 (open house) - David McTimoney wants vocal feedback from parents on a recent survey
- CRSC Mandate on Rural Transportation – Update from Urban Rural Rides (Program the Tri-County Community is enrolled with)
 - 6 clients, 1 driver, 4 rides as of Jan 29, 24

Finance

- Nicole and Gary (Shannon and Buffet) on-site for the Audit this week
- Budget is on track
 - Water and Sewer - Need to send out notices for overdue water bills / discussion on bad debt – Bobbi to ask auditors
- SEED Application due Friday, Feb 16, 24
- BMO Well 5 Project – Capital Borrowing Board, waiting to hear back from Grace Cutler
- Unsightly Premises – soft copy has been received
- UMN Newsletter March 20-21 Growing together: Strong Communities Growing together: March 20, 24 full day / March 21, 24 half day

“Moved by Deputy Mayor Hartt and Seconded by Councillor Webb to purchase the battery-operated Jaws of Life.” Motion Carried.

Administration / Transportation:

Councillor Daley:

Administration

- Kristie busy with the Auditors this week

Transportation

- Phoned Rory – the boreholes are done on the Wilsey Rd and would like a report
- Keep an eye on the sidewalks with water and freezing
- Nicholsons offered various services – possible money available for operational equipment etc – Grant to ask Rory

Water & Sewer / Fire:

Councillor Webb:

Water & Sewer

- Discussed bad debt
- Communications will be here soon - James and Grant to coordinate

- Well alarms at night – need to verify that all alarms are working properly when new communications are installed
- Water- more tests and samples
 - New policy going forward for installing/supplying filters

Fire Department

- Fire Protection invoices have been sent out
- Jaws of Life invoice
- Tim would like to order new Breathing Apparatuses
- Meeting Thursday regarding new Fire Truck
- 4 fire calls – 2 medical assist, 1 structure fire and 1 false alarm

Policing / Recreation / Land Development:

Councillor Mersereau:

Land Development

- White Rapids Manor Expansion – need to clarify their request and let them know we're interested in moving forward

Recreation

- Mark and Len dropped the puck for the Senior Express game Saturday night at TriCo
- Andy McCann going to the Brier in Regina for Men's Curling Championship

“Moved by Councillor Mersereau and Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartt a donation be made for Team Grattan.” Motion Carried.

Policing

- Filled out the annual Policing questionnaire – Some of the findings were:
 - Jurisdictions are generally satisfied with the front-line policing services provided by the RCMP
 - There is a desire for a more flexible contract policing
 - Modern policing approaches should be integrated within the program, such as community-led/tiered policing models
 - There is a need for a more client-centered approach in the provision of financial information/data and business intelligence to support priority setting
 - Many jurisdictions are seeking clarification of the Government of Canada's intentions regarding the future of contract policing beyond 2032

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Leslie M still to come back to finish filing
- Housekeeping for minutes – send minute revisions to everyone

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

“Moved by Councillor Webb and Seconded by Councillor Daley that the bills be paid as approved by the appropriate Councillor.” Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

“Moved by Councillor Mersereau and Seconded by Councillor Webb that the meeting be adjourned.” Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm

Prepared by: _____

Approved by: _____

Date: _____