



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF HILLSBOROUGH VILLAGE COUNCIL
June 6, 2022

PRESENT

Robert Rochon – Mayor	Jeff Jonah – Deputy Mayor
Trent Steeves – Councillor	Melody Land – Councillor - Absent
Jeff Land – Councillor	Kim Beers – Administrator/Clerk

CALL TO ORDER & PRAYER

Mayor Rochon called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm followed by Council prayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IT WAS MOVED by *Councillor Jonah* and seconded by *Councillor Steeves* **THAT** the agenda be approved. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously).

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts declared.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IT WAS MOVED by *Councillor Steeves* and seconded by *Councillor J. Land* **THAT** the minutes of May 2, 2022, be approved. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously).

Mayor Rochon offered condolences to *Councillor M. Land* and *Councillor J. Land* and family on the passing of their family member Ms. Marie Marthe Brideau-Land.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Local Governance Reform - *Mayor Rochon* advised that at the last meeting Council passed a resolution to endorse the proposed name as suggested by the elected official advisory committee of Entity 42. *Mayor Rochon* advised that on May 12th the elected official advisory committee met again at the request of the facilitator to further discuss the proposed entity name. *Mayor Rochon* advised the name “Community of Albert” was still supported by the majority of members of the committee, however, the facilitator announced on May 16th that the name “Fundy Albert” would be submitted to the province. *Mayor Rochon* stated he does not have an issue with the proposed name however, he does have concerns on how the process unfolded. *Mayor Rochon* asked Council what their thoughts are:

Councillor Jonah advised that the people he has been speaking with seem to like the proposed name “Fundy Albert”. However, the back door conversations that took place concerns *Councillor Jonah* especially moving forward.

Councillor M. Land stated she agrees fully with *Councillor Jonah*. *Councillor M. Land* stated good Government is based upon a democratic process and she does not feel that democratic process was well represented in that situation from what was reported.

Councillor Steeves advised he agrees with *Councillor Jonah* and *Councillor M. Land* that the process was not right.

Councillor J. Land advised that the process is wrong. *Councillor J. Land* stated the elected officials advisory committee had a meeting with nine (9) present and the name Community of Albert was voted in favor eight (8) to one (1). At the same meeting the facilitator



BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – cont'd

advised the name would not be changed and it was only a courtesy to take it to Council to get approval. **Councillor J. Land** advised two communities approved the name and one did not. **Councillor J. Land** advised that an emergency meeting was held where another vote on the name was had, this time six (6) people were in favor of Community of Albert and four (4) in favor of Fundy Albert and one (1) individual did not vote. **Councillor J. Land** advised he is concerned on what decisions will be made going forward; especially when it comes to serious decisions that have to be made. **Councillor J. Land** advised that this will be one community from Lower Coverdale to Fundy Park and all this process is doing is driving a wedge between the three communities and he is concerned there could be consequences down the road.

Mayor Rochon agrees with the concerns raised about the process. **Mayor Rochon** stated that was the process that was followed, and it is time to put that behind us now. **Mayor Rochon** stated the name Fundy Albert is a good name and he hopes the elected official advisory committee will not encounter anymore controversy moving forward.

Mayor Rochon advised the next phase of Governance reform process is for the entity to provide a budget for 2023. **Mayor Rochon** stated ordinarily the Council would prepare a budget and adopt it through a resolution in the Fall. However, this will not be possible as Council will cease to exist on paper December 31, 2022. So, Council will not be developing a budget for 2023. Council was asked to develop a list of budget priorities for the Village of Hillsborough for consideration by members of the elected advisory committee at their next meeting June 21st. **Mayor Rochon** advised lastly the Human Resources consulting firm of Jennifer Murray consulting published a job posting for the CAO positions in New Brunswick. **Mayor Rochon** advised he had been informed the posting appeared on the consulting firm's website but had not been shared with the various Administrators. **Mayor Rochon** reached out to the facilitator and three days later it was corrected.

By-Law # 56 – ATV – **Mayor Rochon** advised By-Law#56 has been approved by the province and a third reading is scheduled later in the meeting.

Voodoo – **Mayor Rochon** advised there is no update in terms of a second inspection that was requested. **Mayor Rochon** stated where we are relying on volunteers to carry out the inspection what are the wishes of Council as it relates to a decision. **Mayor Rochon** asked Council on how they want to proceed, how long do we wait, do you want to wait etc.?

Councillor J. Land asked who the inspector is, the Administrator advised she will get back to him with the names. The Administrator advised the volunteers are working with the Air Cadets to conduct a visual inspection with a drone.

Councillor Steeves has nothing to add.

Councillor M. Land suggested waiting but not too long because we want something there to do something with.

Councillor Jonah suggests waiting but to move this project along.

Shoreline Trail – **Mayor Rochon** advised there is no update regarding the grant application that was submitted, nor an update from the facilitator in terms of support for the application going forward. **Mayor Rochon** advised a funding application has been submitted to the Trans Canada Trail for funding to purchase trail resurfacing material. The funds requested was \$7,500.00 and are to be matched by the in-kind work of the Village of Hillsborough.

Basketball Court – **Mayor Rochon** advised he met virtually with **Councillor M. Land**, **Councillor Jonah** and Ms. Chantal Smith on May 24th to discuss their plans with the basketball court. **Mayor Rochon** advised they have a group of motivated volunteers who would like to



BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – cont'd

proceed with much needed repairs to the basketball court. The costs to repair the court is approx. \$18,000.00 and the ask to the Village is to apply for the \$9,000 grant through the Community Investment Fund. The group has reached out to the MP Rob Moore, and they feel confident they will secure \$2,500.00 of federal funding. This will leave approx. \$6,500.00 left to fundraise.

Councillor M. Land advised there may be some funds available through the accessibility review that was conducted. **Mayor Rochon** stated he advised the volunteer group that the Village of Hillsborough has no funds available this year to allocate to the project, but rather the Village may be able to provide some in-kind work.

Councillor M. Land advised she has received the accessibility review and will share with all of Council this week.

Community Cleanup – **Mayor Rochon** advised the community cleanup went ahead as planned on May 14th, with four families who participated. **Mayor Rochon** thanked those who participated and looks forward to 2023 with more interest in participation. **Mayor Rochon** added that the Village provided a gift for every group who participated.

Mayor Rochon advised he was notified by a resident that garbage (refrigerator, tires, broken glass etc.) being illegally dumped behind Grey's Island Cemetery. **Mayor Rochon** has made arrangements with Eco-360 to be able to drop the material off as it coincides with the Mobile Eco Depot on June 8th and June 9th. **Mayor Rochon** will be assisting with the cleanup.

Mayor Rochon took the opportunity to recognize and thank Ms. Linda Geldart of Hillsborough for her tireless work in the community over the years to keep our streets clean.

IT WAS MOVED by **Councillor J. Land** and seconded by **Councillor Steeves** **THAT** the Village of Hillsborough give Ms. Linda Geldart a gift certificate in the amount of \$75.00 to a local restaurant as a token of appreciation for all the volunteer hours she contributes to the Village of Hillsborough. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously).

The Administrator will purchase a gift certificate to a local restaurant.

White Rock Recreational Area Culvert Failure – **Mayor Rochon** advised on June 1st we received a proposal from Englobe Engineering to repair the culvert failure on the main trail in the White Rock recreational area, the estimate including work and their fees was approx. \$211,000.00. Based on the quote received we determined it would be more cost effective to apply for the permit ourselves given it is to repair an existing culvert. **Mayor Rochon** advised that on June 3rd he went to the location to take photos for the application and was surprised to see someone filled the washout with coarse material. **Mayor Rochon** advised Council the Administrator emailed the Department of Environment to notify them of the discovery and to advise them the work was done without the knowledge of the Village. The Administrator has not received a reply.

Electric Vehicle Charging Station – **Mayor Rochon** advised the EV Charger has been ordered. **Mayor Rochon** advised to ensure it does not get vandalized it would be beneficial to invest in a security system. **Mayor Rochon** advised that the Administrator reached out to a local individual who does this type of work for a quote.

PRESENTATIONS

Byron Gourley – Gateway Market

Mayor Rochon welcomed Mr. Byron Gourley from the Gateway Market. Mr. Gourley advised Council the store is open and doing very well and the people in the community and from all over have been very supportive.



Mr. Gourley advised when completing the business plan for the grocery store and to ensure he could get the funds from the banks to fund this endeavor. A part of the process was to get a tax break in order to make it prosperous by hiring locals and creating a bursary program for student employees. Mr. Gourley stated **Mayor Rochon** advised him this plan that was agreed on previously may not happen which Mr. Gourley stated is concerning because the money he secured through the bank was dependent on the tax break he would be receiving from the Village. Mr. Gourley advised that he may not be able to move forward with community programming and supporting local without the funds from the Village to help offset his high tax bill. Mr. Gourley reminded Council that the grocery store is an essential service and with the money off the table is devastating and he feels this deserves consideration for a tax break moving forward. Mr. Gourley asked Council if they could consider getting the funding a little bit sooner in order to apply the funds to the taxes sooner.

Mayor Rochon reminded Mr. Gourley the Village is not able to offer a tax break however, it amounts to a financial grant. **Mayor Rochon** advised that Council has to present to the elected advisory committee to determine whether or not these types of budget priorities go forward in 2023. **Mayor Rochon** advised if it did move forward in 2023, a future Council will have the decision in 2024 and beyond. **Mayor Rochon** asked Council if they have any questions: **Councillor J. Land** has no questions.

Councillor Steeves thanked Mr. Gourley and was glad to see the grocery store open.

Councillor M. Land thanked Mr. Gourley for coming.

Councillor Jonah thanked Mr. Gourley for coming.

Mr. Gourley advised his financials are available for Council to review at any time.

Mayor Rochon thanked Mr. Gourley for coming and he is pleased to see a grocery store in the community. Mr. Gourley exited the meeting.

Jeff Cooke – Businesses Update

Mayor Rochon welcomed Mr. Cooke to the meeting. Mr. Cooke presented an update to Council on his new venture of offering cabin rentals on the Golf Club Road, he hopes construction will start soon. Mr. Cooke stated his contract with Irving Oil expires this October and the upper store is not owned but rented from Irving for the past 15 years. Mr. Cooke stated he is working with Irving to possibly purchase the property. Mr. Cooke advised if he were to purchase, his plan would be to do a much-needed complete renovation.

Mr. Cooke stated he received the budget priorities bulletin in the mail and was shocked to see a grant listed for the grocery store to assist hiring locals. Mr. Cooke asked local business owners in the Village of Hillsborough if they have ever received a grant through the Village and none of them have. Mr. Cooke stated he has never heard of a municipality giving a grant to a business and asked how this came to be. **Mayor Rochon** advised the request came to Council prior to November 2021 and it was a request made by the owners. **Mayor Rochon** stated careful consideration came into play when making the decision and there were some concerns raised at the time on the impact of other businesses. **Mayor Rochon** further explained that a decision-making framework procedure was developed so, Council could make informed decisions much like the request from the grocery store. **Mayor Rochon** further indicated that this decision was open and transparent, and all conversations with Council was in a public setting. **Mayor Rochon** asked Council if they have anything to add:

Councillor J. Land stated he acknowledges the concerns and agrees with Mr. Cooke.

Councillor Steeves thanked Mr. Cooke for coming and expressing his concerns.



Councillor M. Land thanked Mr. Cooke for bringing this to Councils attention and she cannot speak to what has happened before but feels this Council is very passionate about growing our local economy and helping local businesses. **Councillor M. Land** expressed thanks for making the distinction and she will consider this moving forward.

Councillor Jonah stated if he were Mr. Cooke he would be upset as well.

Mayor Rochon thanked Mr. Cooke for his presentation and Mr. Cooke exited the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Mayor

Mayor Rochon advised that Council is now entering their second year in office and that will expire December 31. **Mayor Rochon** advised that subject to the procedural by-law, Council must elect a Deputy Mayor. **Councillor J. Land** stated he is not interested in the position of Deputy Mayor. **Councillor Jonah** nominated **Councillor M. Land** as Deputy Mayor. **Mayor Rochon** asked if there are any more nominations (three times) with no more nominations **Mayor Rochon** congratulated **Councillor M. Land** as Deputy Mayor for the Village of Hillsborough for the remainder of the term (December 31st, 2022).

Budget Priorities

Mayor Rochon advised the list of budget priorities for 2023 was circulated in the community for comments through our social media page and newsletter. **Mayor Rochon** advised two responses were received with varying views; one response received applauded the Village for supporting the grocery store and asked about an observation platform previously located on the Golf Club Road and whether there were any plans to replace it. **Mayor Rochon** indicated there were conversations in the past to install a new platform on the other side of the pond, on the trail portion.

Mayor Rochon reminded Council a Resolution was passed in November 2021 to provide financial assistance to the grocery store in 2022 for the period the grocery store opened to the end of the calendar year on a quarterly basis. **Mayor Rochon** advised Council a decision will need to be made on whether Council wishes to continue in 2022.

Councillor J. Land stated he does not agree to financially support the grocery store in 2022. **IT WAS MOVED** by **Councillor J. Land** and seconded by **Councillor Jonah** to rescind the motion of November 2021 to financially support the grocery store in 2022. Discussion on the motion:

Councillor J. Land advised he feels a mistake was made and Council should have never got involved in the private sector. **Councillor Jonah** does not feel Council should rescind due to the promise that was made for 2022. **Councillor M. Land** advised that Council made the decision, and a policy was developed and followed to help make decisions. **Councillor M. Land** does not feel Council should rescind the motion and should honor what was promised.

Councillor Steeves advised that Council should not take the 2022 financial support as promised away from the business owner, and he stands by his decision made in November.

All in favor (**Councillor J. Land**) all those opposed (Nay-**Councillor M. Land**, **Councillor Jonah** and **Councillor Steeves**). **MOTION DEFEATED.**

Mayor Rochon asked whether the grant listed in the 2023 budget priorities document should remain. **IT WAS MOVED** by **Councillor J. Land** and seconded by **Councillor Steeves**



to remove the grant as indicated in the 2023 budget priorities to financially support the grocery store in 2023. Discussion on the motion:

Councillor J. Land advised that Council should stay away from financially supporting private businesses.

Councillor Steeves advised he agrees with **Councillor J. Land**.

Councillor M. Land advised she stands by the original decision made in November.

Councillor Jonah advised he would like to see the grant removed from the 2023 budget priorities.

All in favor (**Councillor J. Land, Councillor Steeves and Councillor Jonah**) all those opposed (**Nay-Councillor M. Land**) **MOTION CARRIED**.

Mayor Rochon advised he does not believe Council made a mistake to financially support the grocery store, the decision was made with the best information available at the time and with good intention.

READING OF BY-LAW

IT WAS MOVED by **Councillor Jonah** and seconded by **Councillor Steeves** **THAT WHEREAS** By-Law # 56 - Village of Hillsborough Municipal By-Law designating portions of roads within the Village of Hillsborough as accessible to all-terrain vehicles was approved by the Minister of Public Safety and was given first reading, by title, on February 7, 2022; and given its second reading in its entirety on February 7, 2022; be it therefore resolved that it be given third reading by title and hereby enacted. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously).

MONTHLY EXPENSES PAID

The Administrator advised that no expenses were paid in May.

WATER REPORT

The Administrator advised Council that Well #1 is not pumping and is at 24.09 meters, and Well # 3 is not pumping and is at 52.25 meters.

LETTERS AND OTHER BUSINESS

The Administrator advised Council that Quad NB is offering to organize an information session for the public where they explain the laws and the rules of the newly enacted By-Law # 56. They usually invite representatives from enforcement as well. Council discussed and it was decided not to pursue at this time.

The Administrator advised Council that there was one building permit issued in May 2022, PID# 00612234, for a new accessory building valued at \$51,680.00.

The Administrator advised a Sponsorship Request was received from Friends of Fundy for the Rising Tide Trails & Tunes Festival and was circulated to all of Council. **IT WAS MOVED** by **Councillor J. Land** and seconded by **Councillor M. Land** **THAT** the Village of Hillsborough sponsor the Rising Tide Trails & Tunes Festival as a silver sponsor of \$550.00. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously).

Mayor Rochon advised that the organizers of the Rising Tide Trails & Tunes Festival were in contact with him to see if the Village could organize community-based activities on August 6th. **Mayor Rochon** confirmed he has the following commitments: old church farmers market with music, Kiwanis community breakfast, the Gateway Market official grand opening with the Rocky Cape Band, Quest Carbon Cycles will be providing hotdogs and bike rides, the Hillsborough



Recreation Council confirmed a flea market (no charge for a table), the Village of Hillsborough will put on a BBQ with funds going towards the basketball court, the Riverside Modelers flying field activity has been confirmed (weather permitting). **Mayor Rochon** advised that the Artisan Village vendors should be contacted to let them know of the festival and encourage them to be all open. **Mayor Rochon** indicated other ideas could include a firefighter BBQ, the Hillsborough Cruisers car show; **Councillor Steeves** agreed to organize, trail tours (bike or hike), Steeves House Museum and the Railway Museum could possibly offer a special day, local restaurants could possibly offer a special menu, trail tours for seniors (using a golf cart). **Mayor Rochon** to inquire with Friends of Fundy to see where a golf cart can be rented.

The Administrator advised Council that Jordan Nowlan from Maritime Enforcement Services was to meet with Council this evening however, he had training to attend. He would like to meet with Council to discuss costs as it might be more cost effective for the Village to enter into a more formal agreement. A more formal agreement would consist of a set number of hours dedicated per week/month than what we currently have in place, which is by the hour. A Special Meeting of Council is scheduled for Wednesday June 15th at 6:30 pm.

The Administrator advised that a letter was received May 24, 2022 from Reverend Geoff deJong from the Hillsborough Baptist Church announcing this year marks their 200th Anniversary with celebrations taking place the weekend of September 30 – October 2nd. He is inviting Mayor and Council to be their special guests; he will send further details at a later date. They are requesting if **Mayor Rochon** would bring greetings by either sending a brief letter or a video clip that will be shared with the congregation. **Mayor Rochon** prepared a draft letter and will be sent tomorrow to confirm his attendance.

The Administrator advised that she and the Public Works Superintendent interviewed students and hired two (2) lifeguards and six (6) public works/trail maintenance students. The Administrator advised Council that the lifeguards hired do not have their water safety instruction course and will not be able to offer swimming lessons this season.

The Administrator advised Council a letter was received from the Railway Museum requesting the Village to lend them two (2) students for guest services and maintenance. Council discussed and decided to give them one (1) student and will lend a student on a as needed basis to mow throughout the summer season.

The Administrator advised Council that the Mobile eco-depot will be in the Kiwanis Parking lot June 8th and 9th from 12pm to 8pm.

The Administrator advised there are some funds left over from the grant received from Horizon Health. With the help from **Councillor Jonah** the Village is offering free taekwondo classes on June 13, 14, 20 and 21st for ages 8 and up.

The Administrator advised Council she booked three rooms for the upcoming UMN annual conference and annual general meeting scheduled for Oct 7-9 at the Delta Fredericton, which is Thanksgiving weekend. Registration is now open with early bird pricing for the month of June. The Administrator asked Council to let her know, no later than the end of June if interested in attending. She also reminded Council that this is a weekend event.

The Administrator advised Council the fireworks have been ordered. There is 1 (one) volunteer firefighter who recently received his certification to shoot commercial fireworks. The Administrator also advised Council that fireworks went up 30%, for example to get the same show as last year it would of cost \$7,150.00. The Administrator ordered per the budgeted amount of \$5,500.00 plus tax.



The Administrator advised for the month of May the Village of Hillsborough invoiced the Village of Riverside Albert \$3,605.31 (inc. tax) for 21 hours and 10 trips per the water operator agreement.

The Administrator advised Council she spoke with the Public Works Superintendent in regard to filling in the ditch on Steeves Street. The Superintendent advised the cost would be approx. \$8,000.00 in material, which consists of 12” forestry grade culvert and drainage stone and it would take the crew approx. 2-3 days to complete. The Administrator reminded Council that \$5,000.00 was budgeted for culvert repair and there is other culvert work that needs to be done in the Village (Grey’s Island and White Rock). **Councillor J. Land** asked the Administrator to confirm with Public Works what the price would be to do between the entrances to the parking lot. **Councillor J. Land** advised there is culvert work that needs to be completed behind the Voodoo that will need to be addressed at a later date.

The Administrator advised Council that \$130,000.00 is what is budgeted for Street reconstruction in 2022. The Superintendent worked with the paving company and advised the Administrator the following streets should be next to pave:

1. Golf Club Road at the intersection of Fairview Avenue towards Main Street – approx. 200 meters.
2. Steeves Street by the post office and going towards the public works garage approx. 90 meters. The plan for Golf Club and Steeves Street is to mill, grade, and lay 3” asphalt.
3. Lastly a section on Fairview Avenue (by the mailboxes). The public works department will dig out themselves and have the paving company lay 3” asphalt.

IT WAS MOVED by **Councillor Steeves** and seconded by **Councillor J. Land** **THAT** the Village of Hillsborough proceed with street reconstruction and paving portions of Golf Club Road, Steeves Street and Fairview Avenue, as determined by the Public Works Superintendent. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously).

Councillor Land suggested ditching should be done on the corner of Fairview and the Golf Club Road prior to paving due to a lot of water in the ditch.

The Administrator also advised Council that DTI is aiming for the week of July 11th to do patching on the side streets.

The Administrator advised Council that Administrative Managers from all communities in region 7 have been invited to participate in the consultation and co-creation process that is headed by interim Executive Director of the SERSC Roland LeBlanc and the transition facilitator Kenneth Losier. To date there has been two meetings and meetings will continue bi-weekly. It has been determined that those in attendance are ready, willing, and able to participate in reviewing the outputs of working committees in the 5 new mandated areas – Economic Development, Tourism, Community and Social Development, Transportation, and Infrastructure. The Administrators see their role in 3 aspects: Sounding board for the findings and recommendations of the five working groups, strategic and practical assessments of SERSC recommendations for adopting the new mandates, and ongoing consultation and input as the new mandates rolls out.

The Administrator advised the next Regular Council meeting is Monday, July 4 at 6:30 pm.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL FOR ITEMS REQUIRING DIRECTION OR DECISIONS



Councillor J. Land advised the artisan located in the blue building at the artisan village would like to install a heat pump. Council discussed and everyone is in agreeance with the request. **Councillor J. Land** advised that the vendor will be in to pay the \$25.00 fee/month for the additional unit.

Councillor J. Land advised Council that the contractor helping with the pool repairs is Ron Saulnier from TNR Construction. **Councillor J. Land** reported that all pipes have been replaced, and three leaks were discovered. The concrete underground is in great shape and a pressure test of the skimmers (4), and drains (4) was completed and reported there are no leaks. Six (6) loads of sand has been donated by Christian MacLean. **Councillor J. Land** advised that the public works team have been doing a great job doing the work. **Councillor J. Land** advised the next steps with approval from Council is to move the heaters to the front side of the building (where the propane tanks are) and lay concrete around the entire pool. **Councillor J. Land** indicated he has two (2) new pumps and two (2) new sand filters. **Councillor J. Land** stated the building is in rough shape and suggested siding next year. The Administrator will remove this from the public works priority list. **Councillor J. Land** advised the project to date has cost approx. \$7,500.00; pumps, sand filters, sand, and plumping in the ground with the fixtures. **Councillor J. Land** advised that the current fence is in rough shape but can be re-used another year with minor repairs at a cost of approx. \$1,000.00, the concrete is at a reduced rate at approx. \$4,000.00, rebar at approx. \$1,000.00; public works to make the forms and is waiting for the concrete finisher to come. **Councillor J. Land** advised he has also acquired a used propane heater that was donated. **Councillor J. Land** reminded Council it was approved to spend \$10,000.00 and is requesting an additional \$6,000.00 to complete for a total of \$16,000.00. The Administrator advised there is funds in the budget for the additional \$6,000.00 requested. **Councillor M. Land** asked whether any quotes have been received? **Councillor J. Land** advised there are no quotes due to this is being done by volunteers and the commitment from the public works team. **Councillor J. Land** advised of a possibility of an honorarium for the contractor.

IT WAS MOVED by **Councillor Jonah** and seconded by **Councillor Steeves** **THAT** the Village of Hillsborough authorize an extra \$6,000.00 towards the pool repairs as proposed by **Councillor J. Land**. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously).

Councillor Steeves has nothing to report.

Councillor M. Land advised she attended the Chamber of Commerce Business awards gala and thanked the Village of Hillsborough for their support. **Councillor M. Land** also noted that an organization affiliated with the Village of Hillsborough, CCT won the Not-for-profit of the year award.

Councillor M. Land provided a library update, programming is rolling out and they have received a great response with the adult and teen programming. The family programs are currently being reworked with some new ideas to market. The online story time is received well. The reading club will be starting soon. The library has developed partnerships with the schools, day cares, and the senior homes. **Councillor M. Land** advised the attendance at the library is increasing, there were 21 people visit in one day. **Councillor M. Land** advised the library is offering passes to the Hopewell Cape Rocks, Fundy Trail, Botanical gardens in Edmunston, and Pays de la Sagouine.

Councillor M. Land advised she attended the Steeves House Museum AGM and financially they are doing well this year and the board is working hard in developing best practices for the organization.



Councillor Jonah advised he will work with the Administrator to start promoting the flea market scheduled for August 6th. **Councillor Jonah** provided an update for the Canada Day celebrations on July 1st, there will be bouncy castles, balloon twisters, band, stenciling similar to face painting, mini putt course, fireworks, and the Kiwanis are offering free hot dogs. The Administrator advised two (2) porta potties and a hand washing station have been booked

Mayor Rochon received a call from a local campground owner with concerns of campers parked overnight (known as boon docking) in Hillsborough in the parking lot on Steeves Street. **Mayor Rochon** believes the source of the problem stems from the Free RV parking signs. Council discussed and saw no problem with the campers in the Village overnighting.

Mayor Rochon advised he spoke with a property owner adjacent to the Village Well property near Beaumont Lane in Edgetts Landing. The property owner is expressing concern of unauthorized motorists entering and littering on properties. **Mayor Rochon** advised that a gate was installed a number of years ago and was damaged by a log truck that was never replaced. The property owner is requesting if the Village would install a new gate to restrict access on the other side of the brook to block both accesses off and provide a key to all the property owners. The Administrator will discuss with Public Works for options and prices.

Mayor Rochon advised that he was contacted by a local resident on forming a volunteer group to help clean up some of the trails in the Village. **Mayor Rochon** asked if there are any concerns with his forming a volunteer committee. Council discussed and there are no concerns.

Mayor Rochon advised he received a letter from the Municipal Advisory Corporation dated May 30th informing they in conjunction with Assumption Life have selected the Administrator, Kim Beers as the recipient of 2022 professional development bursary in the amount of \$2,500.00. The selection committee determined after careful review Ms. Beers has demonstrated strong leadership in her role.

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING UPDATE

Mayor Rochon advised he attended a virtual meeting of the public security committee for the southeast regional service commission where reports were provided by various organizations which included, the RCMP, Ambulance NB, EMO, Crime stoppers and the NB fire marshal's office.

Mayor Rochon advised that on May 18th he attended the finance and budget committee meeting to review the audited financial statements for the SERSC for 2021 and were approved and adopted on May 31st.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Individuals had the opportunity to ask questions to Mayor and Council.

IT WAS MOVED by **Councillor Steeves** and seconded by **Councillor M. Land** that Council have an in-camera session at 8:55 pm. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously).

IN-CAMERA MEETING

Local Governance Act 68(1)(d) – land matter.
Local Governance Act 68(1)(f) – legal matters



IT WAS MOVED by *Councillor J. Land* and seconded by *Councillor Steeves* to return to regular session at 9:15 pm. **MOTION CARRIED** (unanimously)

ADJOURNMENT

IT WAS MOVED by *Councillor J. Land* **THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 9:16 pm.

Mayor

Administrator/Clerk