

THE COMMUNITY OF THREE RIVERS
MINUTES
March 5, 2025, 6:30PM

Present

Deputy Mayor -	Peter Saunders
Councillors -	Angela Silverthorn
-	Dennis Murphy
-	Karen Hall-Middleton
-	Luke Lymburner
Staff -	Sandra Kelly, Janice Conley

Call to Order Mayor Saunders called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm and asked for any additions to the agenda.

Agenda It was moved by Councillor Hall-Middleton that the agenda be approved with one addition. Seconded by Councillor Murphy. MOTION CARRIED
30-2025

Conflict of Interest Councillor Lymburner called a conflict on item 7D Butternut Ridge Subdivision.

Approval of Minutes of February 19, 2025

Councillor Murphy made a motion to approve the minutes of February 19, 2025 as presented.
Seconded by Councillor Hall-Middleton. MOTION CARRIED
31-2025

Presentations

Council received a virtual presentation from Horizon Health regarding the recently completed Community Health Needs Assessment for Petitcodiac, Salisbury and Surrounding Area. Through community engagement, information was gathered to define the strengths and needs of the area to identify local priorities that when acted upon can improve the health and wellbeing experienced by individuals and population groups. The completed document is available to read online through Horizon Health or a link at www.threeriversnb.ca

Business Arising from The Minutes

First and Second Reading of By-Law 2023-06; A by-law designating portions of roads to be accessible to Off Road Vehicles in The Community of Three Rivers

First Reading in its entirety of By-Law 2023-06

Councillor Lymburner made a motion that first reading in its entirety be given to By-Law 2023-06; The community of Three Rivers Municipal By-Law Designating Portions of Roads to be Accessible to Off-Road Vehicles. Seconded by Councillor Murphy.

MOTION CARRIED
32-2025

On The Question: Councillor Hall-Middleton asked if there had been any inquiries by the public regarding this By-Law. Staff reported there had been no inquiries at the time of the meeting.

The Clerk gave first reading in its entirety to By-Law 2023-06; The community of Three Rivers Municipal By-Law Designating Portions of Roads to be Accessible to Off-Road Vehicles

Second Reading by title of By-Law 2023-06

Councillor Lymburner made a motion that second reading by title be given to By-Law 2023-06; The community of Three Rivers Municipal By-Law Designating Portions of Roads to be Accessible to Off-Road Vehicles. Seconded by Councillor Hall-Middleton.

MOTION CARRIED
33-2025

The clerk gave second reading by title to By-Law 2023-06; The community of Three Rivers Municipal By-Law Designating Portions of Roads to be Accessible to Off-Road Vehicles

Library Update

Motion to Appoint Library Board Members

Councillor Silverthorn made a motion to appoint 9 members to the Petiscodiac Library Board. Seconded by Councillor Hall-Middleton.

MOTION CARRIED
34-2025

New Business

Clothing Allowance

Councillor Hall-Middleton moved that the Mayor and Council receive an annual \$300 clothing allowance each at Doyle Corporate for branded apparel representing The Community of Three Rivers. The motion was seconded by Councillor Murphy.

MOTION CARRIED
35-2025

Development Near Rail Line Council received a request for a variance to permit the construction of a residence in Petitcodiac within the 30-meter setback from the rail line. After consulting Plan 360, it was determined that granting such a variance falls under the jurisdiction of the Planning Review and Advisory Committee at Plan 360, not the Council. The Council's only alternative would be to amend the Rural Plan through a text amendment to allow development within 30 meters of the rail line throughout the Community of Three Rivers. However, the Council deemed this change to the Rural Plan to not be in the best interest of future development in the municipality and opted not to make the change.

Code of Conduct – Fire Departments Councillor Silverthorn requested information regarding the Code of Conduct for Elgin and Petitcodiac Fire Departments. Mayor Saunders will look into the matter and report back at a later meeting.

Councillor Lymburner left the meeting at this time due to a declaration of a Conflict of Interest

Motion for Assent of Council – Butternut Ridge Subdivision

BE IT RESOLVED that the attached plan for Butternut Ridge Subdivision, prepared by Don-More Surveys & Engineering LTD., titled “Butternut Ridge Construction” – Phase 1, showing Charles Street & Land for Public Purposes in The Community of Three Rivers, Province of New Brunswick, receive the Assent of Council.

Moved by Councillor Murphy
Seconded by Councillor Hall-Middleton

MOTION CARRIED
36-2025

Councillor Lymburner returned to the meeting at this time.

Correspondence

No Correspondence

In Camera

In Camera Session

Councillor Murphy made a motion that the meeting go into a closed session. Seconded by
Councillor Lymburner.

MOTION CARRIED
37-2025

Land, Land, Land, Legal

Regular Session

Councillor Lymburner made a motion that the meeting go back to regular session. Seconded by
Councillor Hall-Middleton.

MOTION CARRIED
38-2025

RESOLUTION

OF THE COUNCIL OF THE COMMUNITY OF THREE RIVERS PID 00809244

WHEREAS the Petitcodiac Library lost its former location due to the termination of its lease; and

WHEREAS The Community of Three Rivers has been actively investigating alternate locations for the Library to ensure continued access to library services for the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of The Community of Three Rivers hereby authorizes and approves entering into an agreement to acquire the land and premises located at 50 Main Street, Petitcodiac, identified by Parcel Identification Number (PID 00809244), and to accept the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute all required documents to facilitate the acquisition.

Moved by: Councillor Murphy
Seconded by: Councillor Silverthorn

MOTION CARRIED
39-2025

The Community of Three Rivers - Motion To Proceed – Legal

Whereas the Council of the Village of Petitcodiac adopted By-Law# 31, a By-Law of the Municipality of the village of Petitcodiac Respecting Dogs

Whereas the dogs owned by Dale and Lois McMackin bit Mr. Glen Carr on September 18, 2021,

Whereas the Council resolved on July 14th, 2022, to have the dogs assessed in accordance with Section 20 of By-Law #31,

Whereas the dog name Klyde is deemed dangerous, and council believes it is in the public interest to pursue this matter before the court to have Klyde either destroyed or kept under control because it is intermittently residing at the Dale and Lois McMackin property located at 79 Church Street, Petitcodiac, NB,

Whereas this matter has continued under the new local government entity The Community of Three Rivers after December 31, 2022,

Whereas the dog Klyde has been seen on or about December 26, 2024, walking along Church street;

Whereas the Village of Petitcodiac and other unincorporated areas contiguous to The Community of Three Rivers are annexed to The Community of Three Rivers as per the Local Governance Act, Section 58, effective January 1, 2023.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Community of Three Rivers continue with legal action against Dale and Lois McMackin for the dog named Klyde by authorizing any of its by-law enforcement officers or Janice Conley, Clerk, to file a complaint in Provincial Court as per by-law #31 and the *Local Governance Act* that the dog Klyde be deemed dangerous and either be destroyed or never to return to the Community of Three Rivers or any other remedy deemed appropriate by the Court,

BE IT RESOLVED that The Community of Three Rivers be represented by Mr. André Daigle, solicitor in this matter.

Moved By Councillor Lymburner
Seconded by Councillor Silverthorn
This 5th day of March, A.D., 2025

MOTION CARRIED
40-2025

Passing of Accounts

Community of Three Rivers General Operating Fund

Councillor Murphy made a motion to pay bills from The Community of Three Rivers General Operating Fund up to March 5, 2025, in the amount of \$71,160.71 Seconded by Councillor Lymburner.

MOTION CARRIED
41-2025

Community of Three Rivers Sewer Operating Fund

Councillor Murphy made a motion to pay bills from The Community of Three Rivers Sewer Operating Fund up to March 5, 2025, in the amount of \$2,149.26. Seconded by Silverthorn.

MOTION CARRIED
42-2025

Adjournment

Councillor Hall-Middleton made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Peter Saunders

Clerk Janice Conley