

Town of Riverview
DEVELOPMENT & LEGISLATIVE SERVICES
DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT



To: Mayor & Council

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Month & Year: May - June 2024

Departmental Objectives Update

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
Objectives	Actions	Strategic Themes
Regional Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Participated in the Cargo and Economic Growth Forum organized by the Greater Moncton Roméo LeBlanc International Airport. - Attended the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation webinar on structuring financial incentives for housing projects. - Attended webinar on NYMBY organized by Government of New Brunswick. Key takeaways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o <i>Demand for housing continues to outpace supply, continuing the increasing upward pressure on housing prices (Deschamps, 2023).</i> o <i>Economic theory holds that prices will fall when supply starts to match demand.</i> o <i>Scotia Bank's Chief Economist argues that local opposition to housing development remains a considerable barrier in the way of reducing median home prices (Labine, 2022).</i> - Moderated panel at Downtown Atlantic Canada conference alongside panelist Ash Arrowsmith, promoting Riverview's winter festivals and activities. 	- Thriving Community
Local Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organized 2 staff consultations for the Community Economic Development Strategy. - Met with Lead Consultant on the Community Economic Development Strategy to plan public consultation process. - Created multi-channel marketing campaign to promote Community Economic Development Strategy public consultations (June 20, 12 pm and 7 pm, public survey also available), including 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thriving Community - Service Excellence

	<p>traditional media, social media, website news, newsletters, emails, and more. Media coverage included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telegraph Journal • 91.9 The Bend • CBC Information Morning <p>- Met with Chief Administrative Officer to discuss Affordable Housing Action Plan updates and priorities.</p> <p>- Met with 6 different business owners and developers considering expansion plans to review their projects and discuss economic development resources.</p> <p>- 1 new Commercial Development Grant application and 1 new expression of interest were received.</p> <p>- Attended Municipal Plan Review Public Consultations.</p> <p>- Met with Community Engagement Worker – Business to discuss updates, and collaborative partnerships and priorities.</p> <p>- Represented the Town at Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours event at Riverview’s Spruce & Iron.</p> <p>- Conducted interviews for new Economic Development Coordinator position.</p>	
Immigration	<p>- Chaired the Greater Moncton Local Immigration Partnership Council meeting.</p> <p>- Met as Greater Moncton Local Immigration Partnership Executive Council to discuss upcoming activities.</p> <p>- Met with Dieppe, Moncton, and Riverview Immigration Team to discuss shared projects and priorities.</p> <p>- In partnership with Dieppe and Moncton, commissioning new “Boosting Retention: Greater Moncton Immigration Trends, 2024 Report” by Jupia Consultants Inc. that will be presented to the tri-community Councils in the fall.</p>	<p>- Safe and Inclusive Community</p> <p>- Thriving Community</p>
Professional Development	<p>- Attended Year 2 Economic Developers Association of Canada program. Some takeaways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Average survival rate of goods and services businesses in Ontario is under 10 years (Ontario stat); thus, business expansion and retention activities represent a crucial part of supporting economic development.</i> ○ <i>Tourism sector is still in recovery: international tourist arrivals or overnight visitors fell from 1.5 B in 2019 to 400 M in 2020, a 72% drop in just 1 year, as a result of global lockdowns, travel restrictions, and a drop in visitor demand (UN World Tourism Organization 2023 Report).</i> ○ <i>The National League of Cities, in partnership with the International Economic Development Council, published a report on the role of Elected Leaders and Economic Development containing insights on key functions, context, and collaboration opportunities to make positive impacts on the community.</i> <p><i>Economic growth must balance ecological and social costs of growth (Dr. Wilson, University of Waterloo).</i></p>	<p>- Service Excellence</p>

LEGISLATIVE SERVICES		
Objectives	Actions	Strategic Themes
By the Numbers (Year to Date)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenders Procurements Awarded – 21 • Events attended by Mayor & Council – 12 • Donation & Sponsorship Grants Awarded – 23 • Annual Grants Awarded – 19 • Presentations to Council – 2 • Public Hearings (3)/Presentations – 6 • Concerns Reported – 303 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ By-law Enforcement – 137 ○ Fire – 1 ○ Parks & Recreation - 80 ○ Public Works – 77 ○ Administration – 0 ○ Zoning – 8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Excellence
Privacy & Requests for Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three RTIPPA Requests have been received this year. Two requests are completed, and one request is still ongoing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Excellence
Improved Operational Processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Clerk currently in training • New organizational structure as of July 2nd Legislative services will now fall under Human Resources and Corporate Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Excellence
Service Excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff attended a NIMBY webinar presented by the Department of ELG. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Excellence • Thriving Community
Employee Relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karyann Ostroski started as Town Clerk on June 3rd. • Two staff members attended First Aid Training. • Staff attended a presentation and Q&A on the new Economic Development Strategy being created. • Interviews were held for the new position of Economic Development Coordinator. • Director and Economic Development Manager attended the CCGM Business After Hours event at Spruce & Iron. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Excellence

By-law Enforcement

	Current Month	Previous Month	Annual Total
Animal Control Issues	19	19	68
Animal Control Licences	104	91	572
No. of Patrols	No. of Hours	No. of Dogs Seen	No. of Dogs Unleashed
72	22.84	104	6

BY-LAW CITATION SUMMARY - May 2024	Number Issued	Total Fines
Overnight Winter Parking Ban	0	0
No Parking	0	0
No Stopping	0	0
Excessive Noise Violation	0	0
Commercial Vehicle/Trailer on Street	1	50
No Parking – Fire Lane	0	0
No Parking – Disabled Parking	0	0
No Parking-Snow Removal Operations	0	0
Owner Failed to Remove Animal Feces	0	0
TOTALS	1	50

BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT- May 2024		
	Number of Files Open this Period	Number of Files Closed this Period
Animal Control	3	2
By-law Enforcement General	0	13
Commercial Vehicle	0	0
Dangerous or Unsightly Premises	9	8
Encampment	1	1
Flyer Distribution	0	0
Garbage Sorting	1	3
Illegal Dumping	0	1
Improper Use of Town Property	0	1
Improper Water Usage	0	1
Maintenance and Occupancy	0	1
Mobile Vendors & Pedlars	0	0
Noise Complaints	1	7
Off Road Vehicles	0	0
Parking Violations	0	6
Portable Signs	1	0
Rodent Sightings	0	1
Speeding	2	0
Sports on Streets	1	2
Streets-Traffic By-law	0	0
Tall Grass	1	1
TOTALS	20	48

BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT – OUTSTANDING FILES REPORT – (most recent comments on top)	
File Type	Update (new updates are highlighted)
Unsightly Premises – Hillsborough Road	(File Ongoing) Resident complained of messy yard located on Hillsborough Road, Compliance letter to be sent. New inspection to occur in the spring. Site inspection completed, progress on clean up occurring, anticipated full compliance before end of July.
Unsightly Premises -Runnymede Road	(File ongoing) Vehicle parts etc. on property. Will look into file between overnight parking and encampments. Site inspection planned for spring. Property has been attempting to comply, should be in compliance by June 2024.
Unsightly Premises - Montgomery	(File ongoing) Large number of bags of garbage on property. Sam (MES) looking into file
Unsightly – Other - Dayton Court	(File ongoing) Two complaints received concerning various issues at this residence. RCMP have been requested to assist and have indicated they will. No further complaints from resident to By-Law enforcement, RCMP apparently dealing with issues. Continue to monitor. Meeting to discuss issues planned for June 2023. Accused arrested and incarcerated until next court dates in November 2023. Accused still incarcerated until Dec 2023. No New Complaints Accused still incarcerated until March 2024. RCMP attended residence arrested several individuals. No new Complaints. Residents recommended to contact RCMP if violations witnessed. Complaint of trailer in yard and possible persons residing in, RCMP, Fire Dept, Zoning notified. Reports of garbage, patrols have not indicated such.
Unsightly Premises - Fatima	(File ongoing) Large amount of metal, motorcycle parts, wood in driveway, atvs on front lawn, compliance letter sent. Follow up site check, compliance order to be issued. Officer Reed has been conversation with residents, small slow improvements, continuing compliance. Winter weather slowing pace of progress. Yard still a mess, gradual progress on garage, site visit expected March 2024. Site inspection completed, Compliance date issued. For May. Compliance being achieved slowly, Expect compliance early June.

Unsightly Premises – Leonard Street	(File ongoing) Large number of items on property not in compliance, inspection letter sent for September. no follow up until new officer is hired, appointed, and trained. New Officer in training for Unsightly, will be added to the to do list when overnight parking is not taking place. Unable to complete thorough site inspection due to snow, file on hold until spring. Compliance has commenced.
Unsightly Premises - Sawgrass	(File Closed) Cans, bottles, food garbage, vacuums, dog poop bags galore as well as cut trees, grass clippings, plastics etc. on vacant lot. Property now in compliance.
Unsightly Premises - Waterfall	(File Closed) There is a large number of belongings, debris, garbage, furniture, and other items strewn about the property.
Unsightly Premises - Manchester	(File Closed) Garbage including discarded furniture
Encampment - Coverdale	(File Closed) RCMP responded to a call from a resident concerned about person residing in a dilapidated structure behind a residence on Coverdale Road. Unable to obtain a response from property owner of residence on Coverdale Road after numerous attempts.
Unsightly Premises – Old Coach	(File Closed) Garbage all around the property. Site inspection completed; compliance order given. Property cleaned up. Now in Compliance.
Unsightly Premises - Carnation	(File Closed) Tires etc. on property, Sam (MES) will look into file. Site inspection completed; compliance order given. Property cleaned up. Now in Compliance.
Maintenance Standard - Candlewick	(File Closed) Moose head with antlers and pelt in yard attracting rodents etc. DNR contacted, no provincial offenses, items removed.
Unsightly Premises – Irving Road	(File Closed) Derelict vehicles, compliance letter to be sent. Site inspection to be completed in spring 2024. Inspection completed including two other site visits. Vehicles not derelict, Property in compliance.