



#119 - MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DEREK SHAW:

"WHEREAS Canada Post and the Conservatives are taking an axe to long-treasured postal services – killing jobs, eliminating door to door delivery, drastically increasing postage rates and closing, downsizing and reducing hours at post offices;

WHEREAS Canada Post did not properly consult on these changes, effectively eliminating any opportunity for input from the people who will be most affected; and

WHEREAS closing and downsizing post offices, reducing post office hours, and eliminating door to door delivery will reduce service and eliminate thousands of jobs in communities throughout our country.

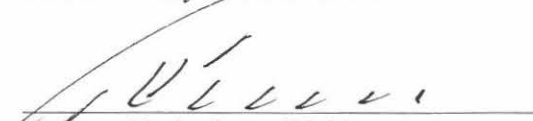
WHEREAS Canada Post offers a public service that needs to be protected;

Be it resolved that the Village of Bethune write a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post that calls on the government to reverse the changes to services announced by Canada Post, and to look instead for ways to increase service and revenues in areas such as postal banking.

Be it further resolved that the Village of Bethune ask the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to request that the federal government properly consult with the public about what kind of postal service they need before allowing Canada Post to make such major changes to public postal service.

CARRIED

Certified a true copy of the resolution passed by the Council present at their special meeting held on the 9th day of June 2015.


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June 12, 2015

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Dear Mr. Lemelin:

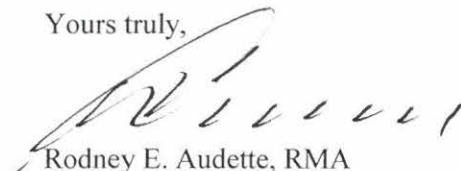
RE: Canada Post

Please find enclosed a resolution from the Village of Bethune supporting the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) in their lobbying for greater involvement in the decision making process for changes to rural postal service and carry services in urban centers.

Rural post office closures or changes thereto have substantial impacts on small rural communities and the CUPW as well as the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) may provide for effective voices in this regard.

The Village of Bethune appreciates the lobbying effort of the CUPW in this regard.

Yours truly,



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Encl.

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