

**Organized Hamlet of Alta Vista
Annual Meeting
August 1, 2020
217 Pickerel Street**

Chair: Steve Wolos
Secretary: Jeff Jackson
Board Member: Josh Whitrow
Recording Secretary: Bonnie Jackson

Present: Kelly Amberson, Christa Bourassa, Rolf Buschow & Anneleise Krumnow, Morley Crowle, Kalena Baulin & David Hall, Jeff & Bonnie Jackson, Aaron & Mikey Karpan, Les & Heidi Krenbrink, Reid Kvisle, Terry Lueke, Larry & Kathy Manz, Rick & Cheri Schmalenberg, Joanne Sens, Brent Sjoberg, Pat McLaughlin & Rick Slaferek, Josh & Rebecca Whitrow, Melody & Don Whitrow, Karen & Steve Wolos

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 11:15 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes

K. Wolos/J. Sens

Moved that the minutes of August 3, 2019, be approved.
CARRIED

Farewell and Welcome New Residents

Fond farewell to: Barry and Karmen Kurucz; Leigh and Marlene Bishop; Larry and Susan Fellner.

Welcome: Reid Kvisle and family; Michelle and Brad Maier and family; Bill Weir, Janet Cook and family; Kelly Amberson and family; to our Hamlet.

Council Report

Thank you to Don and Melody Whitrow for hosting our Annual Community Breakfast. Thanks also to those who helped. Again this year, the turn-out of residents for breakfast and our meeting was noted with pleasure – thank you!

Roads – Dust Suppressant

This year, the Dust Suppressant applied to our Hamlet's roads uses Canola Oil to make it completely environmentally friendly. All are very pleased with this product/result.

Sun Shelter – Public Reserve

The Sun Shelter is completed and available for all to use!

Public Walkway

The Public Walkway will be surveyed by Midwest Surveys in a couple of weeks. Once completed, construction will begin by Robs Contracting.

Speed Limit

A reminder that our speed limit is 20 KPH – please keep our children safe.

Fire Call-Out Fees

The Village of Silton Fire Department Call-Out Fees are \$1500 for one truck to respond and \$3000 for two trucks to respond. In most cases the Fire Department will send two trucks to respond to a call. Residents were encouraged to discuss with your insurance provider an Emergency Call-Out Rider as the resident is responsible for all call-out fees.

Garbage Dumpster/Blue Bin/Regional Landfill

At the fenced garbage site:

The Red Waste Bins are for household waste only. All other waste is to be hauled to Last Mountain Regional Landfill, this includes trees, branches, grass clippings, building materials, etc.

The Blue Bins are for single stream recycling. Please do not bag materials.

Items Accepted: Paper and Cardboard, Plastic (must be clean), Tin and Aluminum (must be clean)

Items Not Accepted: Styrofoam, glass, ceramics, light bulbs, soiled cardboard, hazardous chemical containers, scrap metal, car parts, plastic toys, household garbage.

Discussion ensued regarding the abuse/misuse of the bins this year. It was agreed to put up signage.

Hamlet Residence Civic Address/Map

As required by 911, all residential property numbers are to be posted and clearly visible from the road. An updated map/phone list will be distributed to all.

Hamlet Reserve Fund

We have a large sum in our Hamlet Reserve Fund. If you have an idea for a project that would benefit our residents, please bring it forward.

Discussion ensued and various ideas: a small spray park (may be eligible for a grant from the RM); basketball pad; beach volleyball area; metal kayak rack at the beach were suggested.

Please note: adding sand to our beach area is not permitted.

Reminder

Please Leash and Clean Up After your Dog.

RM – Bylaws/Policies

Residents are invited to visit the RM's website at www.rmofmckillop220.com to view current bylaws and policies.

Snow Removal/Sand

Thank you to Don Whitrow for clearing and sanding the hamlet roads and for the use of his equipment.

Work-Bees

When a Committee needs volunteers or a work-bee, please let Bonnie Jackson know and an email will be sent to our community.

Quiet Time

In our community, there is a quiet time in effect from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Financial Report and 2020/2021 Budget

Last year's financial statement and proposed new budget as attached to the agenda, were discussed.

M. Whitrow/P. McLaughlin

Moved that the 2020 Budget and proposed 2021 Budget be approved.

CARRIED

As Alta Vista residents use the Shore Acres Boat Launch, it was suggested that it would be a benefit to us to purchase a 60' dock to be installed there.

R. Whitrow/D. Whitrow

Moved that a 60' dock be purchased to be installed at Shore Acres Boat Launch for the sum of \$4,000 - \$6,000 be approved.

CARRIED

Don Whitrow will approach Shore Acres with our proposal to install a dock in their marina.

Committee Reports

Marina Committee

Larry Manz presented the Marina Committee report. Noted:

- A meeting of the Marina Committee was held on June 19, 2020.
- Standard floating docks will be used: CanDock supplied by CSquared Innovations, Siltou. These docks can stay in all winter.
- It was agreed that a Membership Agreement be drafted to recognize the use of the slips by property owners and identify the costs, rules and restrictions required by the users. Fees are \$400/year and the slip user is responsible for all costs of purchasing and installing their floating dock.
- Currently four slips are being used. Quotes for a guest dock were discussed.
- Buoys will be installed to mark the marina entrance.

Thank you Marina Committee.

Public Reserve

Kathy Manz presented the Public Reserve report. Noted:

- Thank you to all that have mowed the grass/picked weeds/helped maintain our Public Reserve!
- Damage was sustained to the tether ball and the badminton rackets. It was agreed to replace this equipment.
- Spraying for weeds will be done during the upcoming week. Please stay off the grass for 24 hours. Signs will be posted.
- A work bee will be called - Bonnie will send out an email advising of the date/time.
- Robs Construction will be doing a gravel road to the Pump House.
- Only service vehicles are allowed on the Public Reserve.

Thanks to all – the Public Reserve is a great asset to our community!

Water Committee

Steve Wolos presented the Water Committee report. Noted:

- All is working well this year.
- A new tank has been installed. The old tank is available to anyone who wants it (free).
- Residents are responsible for their own shut-off valve and are asked to ensure that the valve is closed whenever they leave.
- Fees remain the same:
 - \$50 for the first lot plus \$10 for very adjacent lot per year.
 - \$50 for every lot when not adjacent per year.

New properties – hook-up and lines \$800 (no annual charge first year).
 Existing properties – (hook-up and line in place) \$400 (no annual charge first year).
 When properties are sold, owner may sell the rights to the water providing they are paid and in current status.

Thank you to the committee for their work.

New Business

Hamlet Elections:

Marina Committee

Terry Lueke, Larry Manz and Steve Wolos agreed to remain on the Marina Committee.

Public Reserve

Rebecca Whitrow stepped down from the Public Reserve Committee. Aaron Karpan and Kaleena Baulin agreed to serve on the Committee with Kathy Manz and Karen Wolos.

Water Committee

Dave Hall and Rick Salferek agreed to serve on the Water Committee with Jeff Jackson, Terry Lueke and Steve Wolos.

Council/Board

No elections were required this year.

Our elected Council Members are:

Jeff Jackson (2021), Steve Wolos (2022) and Josh Whitrow (2023).

Pot Luck

Don and Mel will host our annual Pot Luck Dinner on Saturday, August 22, 2020.

Christmas Social

Hosted by Melody and Don Whitrow date and time will be posted on the notice board and emailed to the community.

Other Business

EpiPen/Defibrillator/Stretcher

In the case of an emergency we have available: EpiPens (adult and child); a defibrillator, and a stretcher. They are stored at Don and Melody Whitrow's home, front closet.

New Alta Vista Sign

A new metal sign will be installed on the Public Reserve.

Pump House

It was noted that the Pump House needs to be upgraded i.e. new siding/lifted.

Condolences

An expression of condolence will be sent to members of the community whenever possible.

Thank You!

Thank you to Anneleise Krumnow and Rolf Buschow for planting and maintaining the flowers in the Alta Vista sign/planter. It makes a warm welcome to our Hamlet!

Thank you to all community volunteers for your numerous contributions!

Thank you to all the residents for making Alta Vista a wonderful community to belong to!

The meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.