# ORGANIZED HAMLET OF NORTH COLESDALE PARK ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (\*)

\* This meeting is the 2020 Annual General Meeting, replacing the scheduled May 2020 AGM which was postponed due to the COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time.

Date: Saturday August 29, 2020 - 9:00 a.m. Location: Gary and Elanna Gilbert's Garage

Chairman: Gary Gilbert (May 2022)

Board Member – Phil Gravelle (May 2023) Secretary – Graeme Hunter (May 2024)

Present: Kim Muscoby and Lucy Derkatch, Don Paridaen, Diane Hale, Chad Heibein, Garry and Darlene Dixon, Diane Schlechter, Phil Gravelle, Dave and Joann Hval, Romey and Myrtle Shewaga, Gary and Elanna Gilbert, Earl Mosewich, Roger Ralston, Mel Allen, Jim and Jan Leibel, Joe and Pam Willis, Duane Glover, Graeme Hunter, Leon Haas, Loni Root

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.

## **Additions to Agenda**

- 1. PARCS report
- 2. AED Update
- 3. Reimbursement for services

Motion to Approve Agenda – Jim Leibel, seconded by Dave Hval.

Review and Approve Minutes from August 24, 2019 meeting.

- Darlene Dixon noted that acceptance of the minutes of the May 25, 2019 meeting, moved by Graeme Hunter, seconded by Kim Muscoby, was not recorded in the August 24, 2019 meeting minutes.

#### **Open Items**

The purpose of the August 29, 2020 meeting was to meet regulatory requirements while deferring non-essential items to a future meeting when COVID-19 restrictions have been eased.

Open items from previous minutes are:

- Standpipe repair vs. replacement vs. disabling.
- Change name of North Colesdale water account
- Place signs on garbage cans N.B. This was raised at the meeting as an open item but it is recorded in the August 24, 2019 minutes as a suggestion. No motion was passed that required any action.
- Boat launch discussions South Colesdale on hold

Motion to Accept Minutes, including the above comment – Jim Leibel, seconded by Don Paridaen. Carried.

#### **Old Business**

Boundaries with Sunset Resort – Garry Dixon reported that the RM is to mail a form to all affected residents (e.g. including North Colesdale and Sunset Resort) requesting input on defining the boundary between the resorts and on whether the resorts should be amalgamated.

#### **New Business**

#### Hamlet finances

The RM prepared financial statements to July 31, 2020 were previously circulated to residents by email.

Motion to accept the circulated financial statements – Garry Dixon, seconded by Darlene Dixon. Carried.

### **Water System**

Gary Gilbert noted our ongoing requirement for signs stating the water is non-potable. Signs are posted on the standpipes and signs for residences are available via Gary Gilbert. Bottled water is available locally at a number of sources.

Two residents have recently connected to the hamlet water system. When their connections were made the existing standpipes were found to be in unsatisfactory condition so they were replaced at the time at hamlet expense. This saved the hamlet the cost of digging to replace the standpipes later, since the replacements could be made while the standpipes were exposed.

Gary Gilbert and Garry Dixon installed a new chlorinator pump and filter screens were replaced.

The hamlet hit a new maximum daily usage of 46,000 gallons this summer, our previous high consumption was 43,000 gallons.

Motion to accept the water report – Jim Leibel, seconded by Kim Muscoby. Carried.

#### RM report

Provided by Garry Dixon, appended to these minutes

Motion to accept the RM report as presented – Dave Hval, seconded by Earl Mosewich. Carried.

#### **Dust Control**

Information on dust control was previously circulated to residents by email.

Motion to apply canola oil dust control for 2021 – Earl Mosewich, seconded by Garry Dixon. Carried

#### **Board Terms**

When the hamlet voted to change the AGM from August to May, board terms were not part of the vote. This left Board terms out of synch with AGM dates. The current Board advised all members were agreeable to extending their terms to coincide with AGM dates.

Future Board members will be voted in based on the new AGM dates.

Motion to extend current Board terms to coincide with AGM dates – Leon Haas, seconded by Diane Schlecter. Carried.

The amended expiry dates are: Gary Gilbert – May 2022 Phil Gravelle – May 2023 Graeme Hunter - May 2024

#### **PARCS**

Elanna Gilbert provided the PARCS report, appended to these minutes.

Motion to accept the PARCS report as presented – Dave Hval, seconded by Myrtle Shewaga. Carried.

# **AED**

AED updates and requirements have been covered in previous minutes. To summarize for the benefit of new residents, the AED is under an up to date service contract and is available to residents in an unlocked area of the pumphouse. Chemical supplies are in a locked off area of the pumphouse.

# **Reimbursement for services**

Questions were raised about reimbursing North Colesdale residents for services provided. This issue was addressed in prior meetings and the hamlet has protocols in place to reimburse residents for valid expense claims.

## Other

Joe Willis asked if a sign could be erected on public reserves to identify them as pedestrian only. Discussion followed with a decision to leave the walkways alone for now and for residents to report abuse of the walkways directly to the RCMP, in accordance with the recently circulated RCMP information regarding unlicensed vehicle use in resorts.

The date for the 2021 AGM was set for May 29, 2021.

Graeme Hunter noted that all hamlet correspondence to residents is by email and requested that any one who is not receiving hamlet correspondence, or any one who knows of a resident who is not receiving hamlet correspondence, please provide Graeme Hunter with a valid email address for those residents.

Motion to adjourn – Earl Mosewich, seconded by Jim Leibel.

#### **DIVISION 4 COUNCILOR REPORT AT NORTH COLESDALE PARK 2020 AGM**

- 1. The lease at the current RM shop expires in December 2020. A three year lease on a shop located off Highway #220 has been signed.
- 2. The RM now owns the water plant at Sun Dale. Water meters are currently being installed at all the Sun Dale residences to track water usage and then set water rates.
- 3. Everyone should have received the RCMP report sent to the RM office regarding complaints of illegal use of ATV's and golf carts on Hamlet roads.
- 4. The RM council has made, and will probably continue to make, necessary amendments to the Official Community Plan (OCP) and Zoning Bylaw (ZB).
- 5. RM elections are set for November 9, 2020. Elections will be held for Divisions 1, 3, 5 and Reeve (but not Divisions 2, 4, and 6). A new mail-in ballot system will be used, which does not require a voter to go to the RM office to register. Request for a ballot can be done by phone, email, or in person. Refer to the RM website for further details.

-presented by Garry Dixon, Division 4 Councilor

# PARCS Convention was held Friday October 18 and Saturday October 19, 2019 at Hilton Garden Inn in Saskatoon. Attended by Gary and Elanna Gilbert and Darlene Dixon.

#### **General information:**

There are 64 organized hamlets that are cottage communities located in 24 rural municipalities. There are approximately 300 RM's in the province.

PARCS has approximately 9 director meetings a year and also sends out newsletter updates every month.

Our hamlet pays \$150.00 per year for membership fees to PARCS.

PARCS is involved in lobbying the government on many issues. They have been a strong spokesperson regarding the Aquatic Invasive Mussels. Because PARCS receives no government grants, they are able to speak out as the only non-government agency taking a stand on the need for accountability, transparency and action. During the summer of 2019, the province operated 3 boat inspection stations (Estevan, part time near Duck Mountain and a new site at Moosomin on the TransCanada)

# **Pre-Convention Workshop Friday morning:**

There was a panel of 8 presenters – 4 from Organized Hamlets and 4 from Rural Municipalities. They shared their stories of Hamlets and Rural Municipalities working together. Some observations were that residents did not know their councillor, or the RM administrator. Residents should also know the bylaws(policies) or where to get them. With knowledge, the RM council and OH residents should be able to work together.

# Friday afternoon:

Murray Walker from the Dispute Resolution office was the speaker. He gave the background if problems between the RM and Organized hamlets happen, how they can help out.

Diane Aldridge from the office of the Privacy Commissioner presentation outlined how RM Councillors and OH board members should meet transparency requirement while respecting the privacy of residents and others, while performing official duties for the resort communities. Such as not giving out email addresses and phone numbers unless allowed by the residents.

#### **Saturday morning:**

Regional meetings: This is the time that stories are heard from individuals on problems their communities have/are facing and how they are handling them. A lot of the communities are facing the same problems such as: getting informed representation within the hamlets and villages (board members who need patience, knowledge of rules and regulations within the RM, knowing and following their bylaws, being able to find professional resources and finding volunteers to fill these roles. This, according to everyone attending, seems to be the hardest thing to do.)

Other topics were: recreational vehicles (ATM's, golf carts, motor bikes) and misuse of them within the hamlets and villages. Boat launches, marinas and docks were also discussed as they can't be gated or locked as this is illegal so anyone can use them but the cost of fixing them is paid for by the hamlet or village. Another concern was unsightly properties and the responsibility of the RM's to address this issue.

Some suggested that a successful community has paid volunteers, annual meetings with a bbq and other community get togethers. Also, if the residents are kept informed of hamlet meeting

minutes, budget information, and other events going on within the community, the community will be successful.

# Saturday afternoon:

Joe Carson from Saskatchewan Director of Regulatory Modernization spoke on when policies can help and when they can hinder.