



## COLLINGWOOD LAKESHORE ESTATES AGM Minutes

Sept 12, 2020

155 Gordon Drive, Collingwood

Attendees (signed in) – Francesca Bitz-Carteri, Brent Bitz, Barry Wideman, Susan Roberts, , Marilyn Labatte, Debbie Vargo, Bruce Bondar, June LeDrew, Shelley Fairbairn, Jason Johannson, Ken Bunz. Bruce Crouter, Karin Duff, Terry Morrow, Grant Lacaille, Don Burns, Jason Raymer, Tammy Raymer, Joyce Rieder, Dino Breda, Debra Robbins, Randy Birchard

Also in attendance but not signed in – Reeve Bob Schmidt

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### MINUTES

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER – 10:00 a.m.

Agenda amended: Under new business add e) – Beach improvement. f) Water pump for community/deep well and move proposed budget under new business to g) after the rest of new business is discussed. h) discussion with Reeve Call for any other agenda items. None brought forward. Call to adopt agenda as amended.

MOTION – June LeDrew – to adopt amended agenda

SECOND – Bruce Bondar

VOTE – Carried

#### a) Chair's Remarks

Welcome everyone and a special welcome to first time attendees, everyone please sign in if you haven't already. Please update your contact information if needed.

Introduce special guests: Reeve of RM 220 – McKillop Bob Schmidt and Marilyn LaBatte, Councillor Division 2.

Thank you to all our community volunteers for all that you do.

Board Introductions:

Francesca Carteri-Bitz = Chair, Susan Roberts - Secretary and Barry Wideman - onsite coordinator

As a reminder of our role as your hamlet board we are volunteers. We have limited authority and duties that are set out in the Municipalities Act and Municipalities Regulations. Some of our duties are:

Requesting the RM to pay for certain expenses; preparing and submitting an annual budget; holding annual electors meeting; holding elections for board members; requesting a special levy if needed; and finally we cannot make bylaws.

Board communications will continue through the winter months through emails as required- please ensure we have your correct contact information

**b) Fall community meeting minutes.**

Call to approve community meeting minutes from September 21, 2019 as attached to the agenda for this meeting.

MOTION – June LeDrew – to adopt minutes from September 21, 2019 fall meeting

SECOND – Don Burns

VOTE – Carried

**2. FINANCIAL STATEMENT** – as attached to AGM agenda. Request from community member to obtain more up to date statement prior to meeting.

**3. OLD BUSINESS**

**a) Street Lights** – Barry Wideman – The community street lights have all been installed as planned. Discussion re potential street light locations of boat launch and garbage area. Both will be expensive due to trenching required .

MOTION – Karen Duff - Use \$5000.00 to install street light at the boat launch

SECOND – Don Burns

VOTE – 1 opposed - Carried

**b) Garbage area fence and clean up** – Barry Wideman – Fencing is up but not quite complete. It will also get the privacy slats throughout to try to decrease the wind impact. 2 new bins were added so we have a total of 6 now. Thanks to Marilyn Labatte for locking some bins over the winter. We will be looking at doing the same after Thanksgiving weekend. Request made to the Reeve to take this practise back to other communities to help to decrease the overall cost of garbage in the RM.

Bob Schmidt spoke about ability of OH to lock its garbage bins ie) combination locks but Loras needs access to whatever method is used. The RM is looking at yard waste bins to be located throughout the RM in locations different than the garbage for grass clippings tree cuttings etc. The 250\$ garbage fee can be requested by OH board to be taken off and we pay for our garbage from our tax levy as has been done in the past. The dump is in the process of adding a new scale so all garbage including the Loras trucks will be weighed and pay by weight. The RM has changed the 250\$ fee so that people are not double or triple paying for their lots. After the meeting the board has decided to do our due diligence and find out our community garbage cost before we request this change. The RM council is working with the landfill to have some free

weekends in the spring. Some discussion re possible moving recycle bins to wherever the green bin gets located as they are frequently getting contaminated with garbage and then the entire truck goes to the landfill.

Discussion about the landfill filling up due to contaminated garbage with grass clippings and branches so it can't be burnt. If a new cell needs to be built we will be looking at about \$800,000.00 of our tax dollars to do this. So please stop putting these items in the garbage.

MOTION – June LeDrew – OH board to request a transfer site for yard waste. Possibly near Collingwood sign at south entrance. Site to be determined with RM.

SECOND – Shelley Fairbairn

VOTE - Carried

c) **Greenspace Beautification Project** – June LeDrew – Due to the Covid 19 pandemic nothing too much happened this spring. There was one project almost completed at the South playground area by the Collingwood Hamlet Board. June will focus on getting things rolling next spring.

MOTION – Janice Rieder – To Carry forward the unused budget for this project from this year to next year.

SECOND – Karin Duff

VOTE - Carried

d) **ICIP(Investing in Canada Infrastructure)** – Susan Roberts – The program is currently closed again. The website says they will reopen for applications again in the future. I will check in to see if that happens. This item will be closed for now.

e) **Speed bumps and road signage** – An email was sent by the board in July requesting a dead end sign for Collingwood Road and to put a speed limit sign on both sides of the speed sign by the north playground. We will inquire again about this.

MOTION – Dino Breda – to place a 30 km speed sign on the road by South playground as well as caution children playing signs by both playgrounds facing both directions.

SECOND – June LeDrew

VOTE – Carried

Speed limits are now enforceable within our community due to a new traffic bylaw by the RM. Discussion re pros and cons of speed bumps.

MOTION – Ken Bunz to table speed bumps at this time

SECOND – Bruce Bondar

VOTE - Carried

**f) South Play Center Update** – The play center is expected to be complete sometime in October. The play center itself was within our budget but there will be over budget expenses due to prep work required, freight and installation.

**g) Boat launch repairs** – Long discussion ensued. RM is planning to become involved in this project as have been asked to help alleviate congestion at boat launches throughout the RM. It will be discussed at next council meeting,(Sept 22). Potentially looking at assisting with one at each end of RM. Reeve also in contact with developer to encourage his participation.

MOTION – Shelley Fairbairn – To table this discussion until we have more information from the RM

SECOND – Debbie Vargo

VOTE – Carried

Karin Duff and husband John and Don Burns have volunteered to form a committee to work on this project once we have further information. Dino Breda has volunteered to take aerial pictures of the area. The hamlet board will send out any new information we receive after the RM meeting on September 15, 2020-09-13.

MOTION – Don Burns – To carry \$20,000.00 forward from current budget year to next year to have some funds available to start boat launch improvements.

SECOND – Bruce Bondar

**h) Budget** - informational only that previously submitted budget was approved by RM council.

**i) Website** – As our website master has left the community lively discussion re need or desire for keeping same. RM has a spot on there website where each organized hamlet can post information. Not sure of the process for this as yet.

MOTION – Ken Bunz – to have current Collingwood website transferred to RM website and format.

SECOND – Don Burns

VOTE - Carried

#### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

**a) Off leash dogs and poop bags** – Debra Robbins – Requesting that all dog owners please respect others. If you don't have control of your dog ie) If your dog doesn't ALWAYS come when he is called please keep him on a leash when leaving your property. It is great to see poop bags being used but not when they are left along the side of the road for others to pick up. We understand everyone plans to go back for them. If you forget 5% of the time and multiply that by the number of dog owners here it is an unacceptable number of poop bags. Please take them with you!

**b) Disc golf** – Marilyn Labatte – Proposal for 9 baskets. See attached picture. Designed with help of sunshine and ski. Any age can play. Can be used year round. Can accommodate large groups at once. Discs can be purchased for as little as 14\$. People would purchase their own discs.

Recommend a driver, mid range and putter. The discs are heavier than a Frisbee. There is a golf disc association. There is a new golf disc course near Candy Cane park in Regina. Please read about it on line for more information. The baskets cost \$650.00 each. The proposal is asking for \$10,000.00.

MOTION – Jason Johannsen – to put \$10,000.00 towards a disc course in our green space area.

SECOND – Shelley Fairbairn

**c) Committee to review community spending** – Barry Wideman – Brought to our attention by community member Wade Boan. Wade head the committee. As we understand it is to have a committee to go over items brought forward at community meetings prior to allocating money to them. To do the research and come up with a plan and budget and then bring to community at the next meeting. Format to be determined by committee. Volunteers requested – None came forward at this time.

**d) Beach** – Lively discussion re the lack of a useable beach. Suggestion to find out what needs to be done to the MR land south of the current beach in front of the first five lots. Could this area be improved at the same time as boat launch improvements. Also discussion of the South area of MR land in front of the walking path to shore line.

MOTION – Karin Duff – OH board to send letter to RM to have residents of both the MR land in front of lots 1-5 provide access to residents as well as the environmental reserve land at the far South end of Collingwood.

SECOND – Brent Bitz

**e) Community water pump** – Ken Bunz – Would like to see a water system to allow all lots in Collingwood attached to lake water by a tap in there yard. The well water is so hard that nothing grows. Also some discussion re deep well and potable water system in the long term plans. Lively discussion. Reeve Schmidt informed of some current grants available for same. This was named as an item for the strategic planning committee. We now have numerous volunteers for same including Ken Bunz, Bruce Bondar, Jason Raymer, Jason Johannson, Karen and John Duff

MOTION – Bruce Bodnar – to budget \$10,000.00 to study both a summer lake water delivery system and potentially a deep well potable water delivery system.

SECOND – Jason Raymer

VOTE – Carried

**f) Budget** –

MOTION – June LeDrew – to adopt the budget as amended

SECOND – Bruce Bondar

VOTE – Carried

**g) Discussion with Reeve** – Bob Schmidt – Discussed how community feels re bylaw officer. Rm looking at a complaint driven system again. Members asking for better signage on roads coming to Collingwood. Board to send letter requesting same. Reminder to community to mark lots with the civic address. RM has some road specialist reviewing roads. Strasbourg grid to get recapped with clay. \$300,000 grant being used. \$100,000.00 grant being used for improved dust control. Department of highways has announced it will be paving with heavy use asphalt from Glenn Harbour to Rowans Ravine.

Sundale Residents are now paying enough for sewer and water to cover actual costs. Some lots will be returning to the RM so will be able to recover the \$500,000,00 spent by the RM.

RM shop situation still not resolved as the building they are renting isn't large enough to store all equipment. No plan yet.

There will be elections this Nov 9 for the position of Reeve, division 1, 3 and 5 council positions.

There will be a full mail in ballot this year. Information available on the website.

[rmofmckillop220.com](http://rmofmckillop220.com)

Thanks to Reeve Schmidt for attending.

## **5. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

MOTION – Francesca Carteri-Bitz

SECOND – Shelley Fairbairn

Meeting adjourned at 01:07 pm

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