

## **Organized Hamlet of North Colesdale Park**

Minutes – Annual General Meeting  
August 26, 2006 – 10:00 a.m.  
Graeme and Susan Hunter's Cottage

Chairman – Graeme Hunter  
Secretary – Elanna Gilbert

### **Attendance:**

Jim & Rita Archibald	Ron & Pauline Kampman
Brian & Wanda Croft	Jim Leibel
Garry & Darlene Dixon	Linda McLaughlin
John & Kathy Flowers	Marianne Mosewich
Gary & Elanna Gilbert	Kim Muscoby
Duane & Marilee Glover	Don & Chris Paridaen
Leon Haas	Roger Ralston
Diane Hale	Tim & Deb Seida
Graeme & Susan Hunter	Romey & Myrtle Shewaga
Dave & Joann Hval	Norm Watson
Edna Johnson	Edie Woloschuk

The above members (22 of 32) in attendance at the scheduled start time constituted a quorum and the meeting was called to order.

Minutes from the August 20, 2005 and September 17, 2006 meetings were circulated to all members prior to the meeting. No discussion was required.

**Motion to accept the above minutes as circulated**

**Moved: Leon Haas / Second: Don Paridaen / Carried**

Note: Minutes from the meeting of May 13, 2006 were also circulated but there was no need to accept them as the meeting was advisory only.

### **Correspondence**

The annual invoice for membership renewal (\$125.00) in PARCS was received.

**Motion to pay the invoice and renew our membership.**

**Moved: Jim Leibel / Second: Leon Haas / Carried**

- A letter was received from the RM confirming that all future applications for building permits will require approval from the North Colesdale Council prior to being approved by the RM.

- An invitation to the Linda Haverstock farewell tribute was received by the hamlet. It was not sent separately to members as the tribute had been well advertised in the media.
- A copy of the 100 Years of Heart book was received from the provincial government.
- A copy of a letter to the RM regarding the Provincial Education Property Tax Credit Program was received.

## **Previous Business**

### **North Access Road**

The situation regarding the north access road into North Colesdale was discussed. A summary of negotiations from the past year was presented by Graeme. The present situation is that Keith Olsen offered to sell the road to the hamlet for \$10,000. Council responded by offering to purchase the property for \$2,000 plus pay for survey costs to turn it into a road (N.B. \$2,000 was determined by council as an appropriate amount as it was comparable to what it was estimated to cost for legal fees to research the situation – it was made clear to the Olsens that the \$2,000 offer would still require approval from the full membership).

The Olsens' responded in a June 26, 2006 letter, reducing their price to \$5,000 plus Colesdale would still have to pay survey costs. We were given 30 days to accept their offer or else the property south of the road would be sold to Bob Schmidt and the road would be de-commissioned. A reply was sent July 17, 2006 asking Keith to delay any action on the road until after the August 26, 2006 AGM so that the full membership could discuss the situation.

Discussion followed with solutions ranging from holding our position at \$2,000 plus we pay for survey costs to accepting the \$5,000 offer and paying for survey costs. Members who wanted to hold at \$2,000 were generally of the opinion that the road shouldn't cost anything as it was intended by the developers as an access road and they wanted to pay as little as possible. Members in favour of accepting the \$5,000 offer were generally displeased at the stance taken by the Olsens but were in favour of spending \$5,000 plus survey costs in order to resolve this issue. The point was raised during the discussion that we still have a surveyed road into North Colesdale (via South Colesdale) and that money could be directed to maintenance/improvement of that road instead of purchasing from the Olsens.

**Motion approving an offer to purchase the road for \$5,000 with Olsens having to pay costs to survey the property as a road.**

**Moved: Leon Haas / Second: Darlene Dixon / Carried**

Graeme will write a letter to the Olsens conveying this offer.

### **New Landfill**

This site is still not operational due to construction delays. As of August 15, 2006 Barb Griffin at the RM office could not provide an expected start date.

### **Garbage Cans**

Discussion about was held about the size of our garbage bins. Further to our May meeting, Barb Griffin informed Elanna in a June 2006 phone conversation that there would be no extra cost to exchange our 3-yard bins for 6-yard bins.

**Motion to exchange our current 3-yard bins for 6-yard bins.**

**Moved: Edie Woloschuk / Second: Brian Croft / Carried**

Note: Elanna followed up with Barb Griffin on August 28, 2006 and Barb will get back to Elanna as to when this will happen.

### **Expenses**

Pursuant to previous meetings and motions, the following expenses were incurred in June 2006:

Gravelling of Elm Crescent to South Colesdale well (as a courtesy this was discussed with Bob Schmidt prior to work commencing) at a cost of \$731.40.

Hauling dirt and leveling sunken trench at north end of Colesdale Park at a cost of \$107.00.

Grading of Elm Crescent to South Colesdale well (no costs received yet).

### **Hamlet vs. Resort Village**

Further to the May 2006 meeting Gary Dixon provided the results of his research into converting North Colesdale from an organized hamlet to a resort village. Criteria to become a resort village include:

- Requirement to have 100 full time residents
- Base tax assessment of \$4,000,000
- Must be an organized hamlet

At present we do not meet all the requirements so no further discussion was held.

### **Recognition**

Jim Leibel was recognized for work done on the pump during the frequent outages over the summer.

Graeme Hunter was recognized for the excellent work he has done the past three years as chairman of North Colesdale Park.

### **New Business**

**Motion to register one delegate plus spouse for the PARCS convention in Saskatoon on October 27 - 29, 2006. Hamlet will pay mileage, accommodation and meal expenses for the convention**

(Note: Gary Dixon is on the PARCS board and will also be in attendance at this meeting).

**Moved: Jim Leibel / Second: Ron Kampman / Carried**

If possible attendee will be a council member. Leon Haas volunteered to attend if a council member was not available.

#### **Election of New Councilor**

Graeme Hunter's term as councilor expired at this meeting. No nominations for the position were received prior to the meeting. Nominations were requested from the floor. Graeme Hunter agreed to let his name stand for a further term.

**Motion to nominate Graeme Hunter for a three-year term.**

**Moved: Leon Haas / Second: Brian Croft / Carried**

**Motion that nominations cease, meaning Graeme Hunter would be acclaimed for three-year term.**

**Moved: Darlene Dixon / Second: Gary Gilbert / Carried**

#### **Dogs at Large**

Residents were again reminded that dogs are to be kept leashed at all times when not secured on their own property.

#### **Garbage Bin Location**

Bob Schmidt allows the hamlet garbage bins to be located on his property.

**Motion for hamlet to pay the RM for the annual cost of garbage pickup for Bob Schmidt (currently \$75.00) in exchange for placement of bins on his property.**

**Moved: Romey Shewaga / Second: Edie Woloschuk / Carried**

#### **Defibrillator**

A suggestion was made that the hamlet acquire defibrillation equipment. Discussion was held regarding acquisition cost, where it might be stored, and operational requirements.

**Motion for hamlet to acquire a defibrillator with a maximum acquisition budget of \$3,000.**

**Moved: Gary Gilbert / Second: Edie Woloschuk / Carried**

Note: Brian Croft has some experience with AED (Automated External Defibrillation) and after the meeting did some research which raised further questions regarding training and operation. Brian will research further to determine all requirements we need to meet in order to acquire an AED and report back to the hamlet.

### **Street Signs**

A suggestion was made that we replace our aging street signs. Discussion followed regarding all signs in the hamlet.

**Motion to replace/install the following signs:**

**Marina Avenue – 1 sign**

**Elm Crescent – 2 signs**

**30 kmph Speed Limit – 2 signs**

**Pets Must be Leashed – 2 signs**

**Moved: Edie Woloschuk / Second: Diane Hale / Carried**

### **Other Business**

Bulletin board is open to all residents. Postings are to be removed when they become unreadable (e.g. weathering) or time-expired.

It was noted that the street light behind Hunter's cottage is not functioning and the street light by the garbage bins remains lit on a 24 hour basis.

Note: Graeme phoned SaskPower after the meeting and both lights were repaired on August 29, 2006.

A suggestion was made that the hamlet consider doing some trenching to relieve water drainage issues. Low water pressure at the north end was also mentioned. After a brief discussion it was determined both issues required further information before any decisions could be made. Leon Haas to research cost and logistics and report back to the spring meeting, at which time a discussion could be held and motion made if required.

Roger Ralston suggested that each resident consider having a back-up water plan, such as arranging for a temporary hook-up with a neighbour who has a well, for times when the hamlet water system might break down. Parts and/or volunteer help may not always be immediately available and it may take several days to get the system running again. Anyone who connects to an outside water system must have a backflow valve in their plumbing to prevent any water flowing back into our well.

A suggestion was made that the hamlet acquire a copy of hamlet rules and regulations from the RM. Graeme noted that these rules and regulations change on a regular basis meaning a printed copy may be out of date in short order. Rules and regulations are posted on the Internet and are available for public viewing at any time so it was decided not to pursue acquisition of a printed copy.

Concerns were raised about our water system coming under government monitoring and jurisdiction by 2008. Suggestion was made that we start collecting money from each resident for anticipated future costs that could be incurred. Graeme will contact the RM to find out whether the hamlet can maintain a separate bank account for a water fund.

Date of the Spring meeting was set for 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 26, 2007, to be held at Graeme and Susan Hunter's. In event of inclement weather the meeting will be in Gary and Elanna Gilbert's garage.

**Motion to Adjourn: Pauline Kampman / Carried**

#### **In Camera Meeting**

At an in-camera council meeting held subsequent to the annual meeting Graeme Hunter was elected as Chairman of the Council for the upcoming year.