

Minutes of the 2008 Annual General Meeting

Hamlet of MacPheat Park

August 15, 2009

Chairman's Cottage

The General Meeting was called to order at 1:17 PM

Paul noted that only 10 or so people showed up for the meeting and proceeded to provide a status update. This included Richards resignation from his position on the Hamlet board and consequently the need to vote on a new Treasurer.

Brenda provided some paper for everyone in attendance to sign.

Paul also updated everyone on the status of the loan from the RM that was used for the New Dock at the boat launch. There was some group discussion around this and Doug indicated we should look at paying this back as soon as possible and everyone agreed.

The question was raised, inquiring about the amount of taxes we receive each year. Paul provided the answer.

John added that in response to some questions he made an inquiry with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs regarding the taxes and their division as well as services provided. He added that he received a response outlining that the money we receive is to be at least 40% but not more than 75% of the municipal taxes collected from the properties in the organized hamlet.

He added that the percentage received is supposed to be negotiated.

Deb asked about speed bumps or inverted speed bumps for the roads to deter excessive speed. Paul and John both indicated it would have to be looked into, but that it is probably up to the hamlet. Ron and Dennis asked "what about graders", and John responded that any grader would have to lift or lower their blade accordingly.

The Hamlet and removing snow from the roads in the Hamlet. Someone asked how many people live out in the hamlet year round and someone throughout the answer of possibly 2. Then the discussion centered around, whether or not there is a requirement by law for access to be maintained in case of emergency. Paul indicated that would have to be looked into.

Dennis commented on how good the new dock looked and then asked what was going to be done with the old dock. There was some discussion about this and what to do. John indicated he might know

someone who may want it. He would check and let the group know. Paul indicated that we definitely would have to get it out of the beach area.

John indicated that others had commented on the docks and launches in the beach area. He did some checking and although it is public reserve and there is nothing stopping people from placing them there, those that do are 100 % liable if anyone gets hurt by them.

He elaborated, indicating that the Hamlet can vote and decide to rope an area off for the beach to deter this practice as well as the beaching of boats, or they can get the area designated boat free.

He offered the compromise in the event there is ever a conflict that the designate an area where the new beach extension is for these docks and lifts.

Verna indicated that the place where the docks currently are, a number of years back people placed them there. She also indicated that Ida had intended to build a marina so everyone had their own spot.

Paul added, that we have to pass some rules at next year's meeting when there is more people. The rain was blamed for the poor attendance to this year's meeting

There was some discussion around the activity down on the beach and people parking on the boat launch to listen to radios, or sun tanning on the dock. Suggestion for sign to boat launch

Paul revisited the issue about our treasurer and asked if someone was interested. Sandy asked a couple questions about the role. Doug added that it would be nice to see a separate balance sheet specific to our finances.

Ron nominated Sandy for Treasurer, Brenda seconded

All in favour, Carried

Sandy brought the potential land for the kids play area and that she had a development permit. John added he had made some inquiries and that we may qualify for a grant providing we finalize a development plan. He added that it we have already missed this year's deadline. Sandy added that given the location of the public reserve being considered, we will probably want to install a fence.

Sandy indicated they are getting some surveyors out to do some surveying, to ensure that access to the other cottage is not cut off.

Brenda mentioned that there must be a for people owning property in the hamlet and John indicated he would make the inquiry.

John brought up the dog issue that has been brought out other years. Deb added that it's only common sense that people look after their dogs. Brenda agreed that people have to start watching their dogs. John added those people put their dogs at risk if there are people using poison on the gophers.

Sandy brought up the noise at Kevin's trailer by his kids, beside Wayne's place and that she has talked to Kevin and it won't happen again.

Doug brought up about speed limit sign we should replace it. Brenda agreed. Paul and Ron added that the sign has had bullet holes in it for as long as they can remember.

As a result, the group had some discussion on this and other issues within the hamlet, including the condition of and potentially required signs for the hamlet. John volunteered to find out how/who we contact to get signs for the Hamlet.

Ron asked about enforcement, of speed, signs and John added that as long as you can provide proof the RCMP may do something. John added that we should probably talk to the people who are guilty of excessive speed first to try to preserve the peace.

Signs to be checked into:

- 1) Speed limit
- 2) Kids Playing
- 3) Boat Launch

Sandy raised the issue of trees, and that people in the hamlet can get trees for free but it would be \$40 dollars a tree for the tree spade (mover). They can contact her if interested and she will direct them to the people looking after it.

John raised the issue about the well by the other exit of the hamlet and whether or not we can get an electronic pump for it, would they mind? Sandy agreed to look into it.

Paul indicated that with the rain moving in, if there wasn't more Hamlet business we should look at adjourning the meeting.

Ron motioned for an adjournment and Doug seconded the motion.

Carried.

Those in attendance included:

Brenda Heine	Paul Heine
Sandy MacPheat	Dave Heine
Deb Kreklewich	Verna Davie
Dennis Baer	Doug Ridgeway
John Winter	Ron