

Minutes of the 2011 Second Meeting of Hamlet Residents

Hamlet of MacPheat Park

September 17, 2011

Silton Community Center

Call to order: John and Sandy brought the meeting to Order at 10:33.

John thanked everyone for coming out, noting the large turnout, and proceeded to follow the agenda set for this meeting.

At this point he turned the Meeting over to Paul so he could officially step down or resign which he did.

Meeting minutes: John read the minutes for the last meeting.

Asked for a motion to adopt the minutes as read, it was motioned, seconded and carried.

Finances: John turned the meeting over to Sandy to review finances.

Wayne, Margaret, and others asked questions about the boat launch and financial statements. As far as quotes for the boat launch(Fixing) John asked if we could save those for later when we discuss repairing the boat launch. Several people had questions or concerns over how the statements looked or their accuracy. Sandy and John explained this is what we were given and Sandy added that she had just received this a few days ago because Barb was on vacation.

People asked to confirm the Boat Launch was paid for and what the current balance was. Sandy agreed there was some concern over the numbers but also pointed out not all the Taxes are collected. Sandy also noted that some items were missing, like grass cutting and said that she would follow up.

Board Changes/Elections

John outlined that he would be stepping down as secretary so he could be available for the chairperson nomination. He proceeded to step down as secretary and turned the meeting over to Sandy.

Wayne raised an issue that the Hamlet documentation outlined a specific amount of time between stepping down and running for another position. John agreed and indicated he would be stepping down anyway.

Vote for new Chairperson: Margaret Semeniuk nominated Wayne Marino for chairperson. Betty nominated John and there was general consensus that even though the time between stepping down and running for another position had not followed the written process, that the residents were quite willing to accept the nomination. A Vote was then held.

Vote Results – Ballots were handed out and volunteers collected the ballots. Former Chair Paul and Sandy counted the votes and Wayne was voted in with a majority.

The elected Chair for the Hamlet of MacPheat Park is now Wayne Marino.

Sandy turned the meeting over to Wayne, the New Chairperson.

Vote for new secretary: Wayne & Sandy called for nominations for secretary. A nomination came in for John, and he declined. Margaret S nominated Deb Wilkie for secretary. Debbie K received a nomination and she declined. Deb Wilkie was then selected as secretary without opposition.

The Secretary of the Hamlet of MacPheat Park, selected through acclamation, is Debbie Wilkie.

New Business/Follow-up from Previous General meeting

Wayne moved on to the new business or previous issues revisited.

Boat launch - Wayne asked the floor for input/feedback. It was noted that there were only two quotes received. Doug added that we should probably confirm that the Hamlet would proceed with these two quotes even though the hamlet had hoped to receive three. Given how busy contractors are this year, the Group (residents) agreed. There was a group discussion around the details of the quotes from both companies.

Deb Wilkie motioned we accept the lowest bid so we can proceed, Nancy Markwart seconded. Motion was carried.

Wayne indicated that it's accepted and written notice would be provided to the successful bidder.

Docks: Paul asked about the dismantling the dock, the new dock. This discussion also covered some of the beach issues and placement of the old dock on the North side of the point.

Wayne provided information about his research of docks and public dock placement. It was noted that R.M. regulations do not allow for private docks on public reserve land unless the private owner has a lakefront lot. Sandy read RM meeting minutes about another Hamlet dock issue.

2012 Annual General Meeting - Sandy asked about setting a meeting date ahead of time. (year in advance) Sandy motioned annual meeting 2nd weekend in June. Nancy seconded, carried.

Nancy asked about the possibility of a 1 week reminder.

Wayne returned to reviewing the original agenda items and Lot maintenance or grass cutting . He asked about our own local firefighting option, like keeping a trailer on hand with a pump. While there was general discussion, there was no resolution on these issues.

Reserve upgrades: Deb W brought up the issue of money suggesting that it was difficult to discuss capital projects when we did not have financial statements that told us how much money the hamlet had. There was general consensus that this was the case.

Trash bin location: There was discussion about moving the trashbins. Wayne suggested leaving this issue. There was discussion about their placement, dropping down to 1 over the winter, etc. A number of people made comments about no real good place for them during the winter. John said if we could do like Belmont and fill in part of the ditch so they could be placed on the North side of the entry it might be better but there would still be snow issues.

Wayne said he would try to contact the bin company to see whether we save money or spend more money by reducing to one bin over the winter and have the second bin provided again in the summer.

Snow removal: Sandy indicated she's trying to obtain a quote from Garry Flavel. There was more discussion on this issue and its cost.

Wayne, Sandy are getting price estimates.

Other Business

Wayne asked if there was anything else. There was a suggestion for capping the snow removal budget, however there was no resolution on this issue.

Gate entry: Al touched on the gate entry. There was discussion about snow fencing and someone pointed out that we have snow fence.

Water pump: Darcy asked about a pump. It was suggested we discuss this at a later date. However, Wayne said let's fix what we have for a pump. There was some discussion and general consensus that the matter of the pump will be looked into in more detail.

Streetlights: Margaret S asked about street lights as did Al. Margaret indicated she will investigate pricing, etc.

Community committees: Wayne raised the former issue of establishing committees for projects and other events. It was decided that there would be a beach cleanup committee. Margaret S, Gail R., & Nancy volunteered. A Clean up day was also discussed and the hamlet Secretary will send out a notice to people about the cleanup day. There was some discussion that there also be a community barbecue and the hamlet board will follow up.

Al asked where the dock goes, and Wayne indicated that it could be put in his yard. Paul indicated the other section could remain at his place for now.

Dennis asked about his written acceptance for the Boat launch quote.

Adjournment: Wayne asked for a motion to adjourn, Dennis motioned, and Paul seconded. Wayne adjourned the meeting at 12:31PM