

Summer Village of Larkspur
Minutes – Annual General Meeting
July 28, 2018

- Mayor Gerry Keane called the meeting to order at 11:02 am at the Larkspur Fire Hall
 - He gave the parameters of the AGM meeting, explaining that it was the meeting of and for the residents and property owners in the Summer Village, that only residents and property owners could make motions and vote on any motions made during the meeting but that guests were welcome to attend the meeting.
 - Election of Chairperson
 - Janet Garneau nominated Donna Crozier who accepted
 - Election of Secretary
 - Nadia Scott nominated Emilie Keane who accepted
 - Welcome to new Summer Village residents
 - Welcome to special guests:
 - Fred Slobodian, Councillor for the County of Westlock
- Adoption of the Agenda
 - Moved by Tod Ducharme
 - Seconded by Tony Galowoda
- Adoption of minutes from the 2017 AGM
 - Moved by Tony Galowoda
 - Seconded by Bryan Getchel
- Mayor's Report:
 - Introduced administration and council and welcomed Greg Dresschler as new councillor.
 - Recognition:
 - Thanks to Ken Schauenberg for 10 years of service as councillor for the Summer Village, to Nadia Scott for her service as librarian since its opening, to Ken and Elaine Schauenberg for their volunteer support of the library, to Donna Boutin who painted the doors of the Children's little library, to Tony Galowoda for his work with village maintenance.
 - Thanks to Koni Getchel for volunteering to be the new librarian.
 - Update on Council's work on issues raised at the previous AGM:
 - RV parking:
 - Explanation and clarification of current policy was given.
 - Issue - residents sometimes have too many guests and RV's are parked on the sides of the roads, causing restrictions to local traffic and a serious risk if emergency vehicles needed to enter the village
 - Issue – residents are not charged a fee for RV's but those who are not permanent residents are.
 - Council is reviewing the current policy
 - Road resurfacing:
 - Issue – the work done last fall was left incomplete and unsatisfactory. The County also experienced the worst frost boils since 1980.

- Council has worked with the resurfacing company to complete the work started last fall.
- Bear warning:
 - Issue: Bears continue to visit the summer village.
 - Council has asked residents to take necessary precautions for their safety and to discourage the bears from visiting by not feeding them with garbage or bird food.
- Summer Village website:
 - Residents are encouraged to sign up on the website to receive information about the summer village and any news from council
- Shared services with the County of Westlock:
 - Discussions are ongoing between the Summer Village Council and County of Westlock Council about how to best share resources (e.g. fire protection, etc.)
- New Bylaws
 - Two new bylaws have been developed and adopted. They are the “Code of Conduct” and “Alternative Method of Advertising”. Both are on the website.
- FireSmart:
 - Phase Three will begin soon
 - Grants have made this work possible
- Surveys and Encroachments onto village property. Letters have been sent to the owners to move the items off reserves.
 - **Residents have requested that Council look at fire issues on Birch Crescent as there is a lot of dead fall there**
- Councillor Nick Tywoniuk provided a presentation about FireSmart
 - Information pamphlets were made available to residents

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- Speed Bumps:
 - Speed bumps have been purchased but were not installed because of the condition of the roads last year
 - Council has not received any complaints related to speed however **participants at the AGM assured Council that speeding continues to be an issue and have requested Council to address this.**

Financial Report:

- Marion Bancroft presented the financial report for the summer village and answered a few questions posed by residents.
 - Moved by Ken Schauenberg and seconded by Bryan Getchel that the financial report be accepted as presented. All in favor.

New Business:

- New development across the lake has been denied by the County of Westlock.
- The Water Study on our lake is complete. Results of the study are on the website.
- Notice to all fishermen that it is only “catch and release” all year for Pike.
- Thanks to Marion, Fred and all residents for attending the meeting. Everyone is invited to stay for a BBQ hamburger and some fellowship.

The meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm.