

Evergreen Acres Annual Meeting May 18, 2024 10am

21 in attendance

Chair Corey Riess called meeting to order at 10:05

Chair advised all present to sign in and pick up voting cards

Welcome to RM CAO Shiloh Broken and Special Constable Jordan Starr

Introductions

Reading of Previous annual Meeting minutes

Motion to accept: Les Olsen, Rob Kohuch

Old Business

Electronic Speed Sign has been applied for, hope to hear by end of June . Corey will keep us informed . Discussion re cost and efficiently and if speed bumps should be added.

**Motion by Kevin Heisler that speed bumps be installed if speed signage isn't effective after one season of usage, board will revisit this and consider adding speed bumps to road*

Motion Passed

Surge Tank: Corey hasn't looked into it yet, Corey and Brad will look into it.

Signage on Road. Relocation: Thank you to Kevin Heisler for dealing with the relocation of Signage.

Garden FCC grant application nothing has been received yet if we do we will require to consult RM as they own that land.

Boating installation signage has been completed

Lagoon – Kevin Heisler mentioned we should request bids to get contractors to do the dredging and dealing with vegetation. May get a better price than automatically giving it to Mitchells.

Cal/ Chloride – No application this year Kevin Heisler had great concern in usage as he feels it is killing his trees. Corey commented that this will most likely go to a vote for application. Along with having the RM confirm that it is the application that is causing trees to die. Shiloh RM rep will have RM look into it along with having Kevin provide the outcome of the testing that he has had done.

New Business

Lagoon Report - Cell 1 is down 3 feet and Cell 2 is about same as last year. The lagoon is looking very good due to the additional aerators that have been installed. Chair has asked everyone to double check that their septic tanks are not leaking as public health can be called upon to inspect, if there is a concern.

Storage of Boat lifts on Beach Area – Chair discussed concern that has been brought up concerning lifts and docks that are being stored on NW beach area. Corey along with concerned resident, RM rep and Safety Officer to review concern following meeting and see if they can work together to come up with a consensus to make things work. Concern is that it is against RM bylaw to store on public beach, restricting view and concern of safety as it is close proximity to playground.

Follow up: The after meeting tour with the CSO, CAO and concerned citizen came up with a proposed alternative to the current area and that being the SE corner of the beach, It will be decided upon at the fall meeting.

Sask Lotteries – we again have \$250 dollars to use for recreation, please bring suggestions to board, already suggested that we purchase a 2nd deck box for toys, please submit suggestions to Bea.

Swim Platform – better cable must be used to make it sturdier. When installing they will look at it.

Golf Course – Final total for disk golf was \$12,973.16, funding came from Golf Course- \$5,003.16 and Hamlet input \$ 7,970.00, Les Olson encouraged everyone to give it a try. The cost of disk golf or regular golfing stays the same as previous years: \$50.00/ Family, \$30.00/single, \$5/daily use, and 12 under free. These fees can be transferred to golfatturtle@gmail.com. A big thank you to all volunteers (Donna, Les Olson, Bonnie Shier, Glenn Yellowlee, and big congratulations to Joan Thompson who has put many years of volunteering for our golf course and is retiring from her duties. Thanks Joan for volunteering many years! The Golf Course looking for volunteers to assist and wishes to note all maintenance to the course is done by volunteers.

Reserve Monies discussion – Chair spoke re money that hamlet has currently in reserves, and that monies are now in an interest bearing acct. the board is asking members to think about what this Hamlett is in need of. We ask residents to think about it over summer and perhaps bring their ideas to our fall meeting. Some mentioned is boat launch dock improvements. Water plant modifications (fittings changed to stainless steel) Corey will follow up concerning this with Rick Mathews. But all residents are encouraged to think about needs of the hamlet.

Water Plant-/Utilities – Water plant is in need of a cleanup, due to a water break this winter. Along with cleanup we require better signage so if there is an issue, residents know what to shut off, so it can be done in a timely manner.

**Motion by Bernie Lukan that we have 2 volunteers on utility advisory board, tending to the water plant. Trent Gatzke and Greg Brown volunteered /.*

Motion Passed

Kyle Skoretz make a suggestion that all sewer lines be pigged (dredged) as there tends to a lag in drainage in The RAC RD cul de sac. Chair Corey said he will look for a provider to do this to all of the sewer system in all cul de sacs and main line. To prevent bigger issues.

RM Rep Shiloh Broken also spoke that RM are willing to work with hamlets concerning infrastructure planning. All hamlet needs to do is bring forth their long term plans to RM and work alongside with them.

Round Table

Community Safety Officer Jordan Starr (see below for contact information).

Residents question CSO about driving **golf carts** in hamlet. Golf carts require a license plate that is purchased from Rm. Cost \$50 (See RM website to apply under public information, and golf carts). Along with \$200,000 liability insurance. Once plated and insured, golf carts can be driven on roadways by someone that has a class 7 license .

Side by Sides/Quad are considered an ATV , therefore require Helmet and insurance (\$200,000 Liability) and can only be driven in the ditch. CSO will allow residents to ride on roadway to garbage dump but not on roadway to longer distances. CSO suggested everyone review Provincial legislations and regulations on RM website under Protective services.

Brad Caplan commented on how beneficial our Evergreen community is, and encouraged all old and new residents to all consider using common sense and play nice and compromise so Evergreen continues to be a wonderful summer destination.

Joan Thompson said a big thank you to all that go over and above to keep things rolling at Evergreen.

Rob Kohuch asked if everyone please be aware to only place wood in the wood pile and compost items goes in the compost pile. If people just throw in willy nilly it ends up being a mess and much more difficult to deal with. Kevin Heisler will deal with wood and compost piles. Big thank you to Kevin for this.

Cecile Cote - Big kudos to all tending to all the jobs required to make things run smoothly. Cecile wondered if anyone would be interested in starting a golf night (ladies, men's) if anyone is interested maybe give Cecile a call.

Alfin Mukhi was concerned about health and safety at Evergreen and questioned if we currently had a defibrillator. Which we currently do along with residents that currently own their own. Alfid volunteered to monitor the defibrillator and will send a report to the board as to when inspection was done so we can attest to residents it is in fine working order. Defibrillator is currently at water shed on exterior wall. Discussion took place as perhaps we could have it at a more central location. Trent Gatske will look into this and perhaps housing in an accessible location in the winter also. Bea will look into grant funding to have more defibrillator available.

Alfin suggested we purchase a water swim buoy to have available at the beach, in case of emergency.

Kevin and Bev Heisler – big thank you to all helping out at Evergreen Acres.

Thank you to Shiloh and Jordan for attending our AGM @ Evergreen

Adjourned by Cecile Cote at 12:35



***Reminders: 2024 is the year to have your septic tank empties please partner with neighbors to have yours done :**

Providers are:

Poop to Go 306-845-1031

Al Herle 306-821-7375

Smiley's Septic Service 306-248-1378



Remit your golf fees to golfatturtle@gmail.com

Community Safety Officer Contact:

Jordan Starr
Community Safety Officer

Box 130, Turtleford, SK S0M 2Y0

Complaint Line: (306) 845-3512

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Transfer Site Info

R.M of Mervin Transfer Site Hours

Summer hours are in effect from April 1st to October long weekend, inclusively:

Wednesdays 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturdays 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Sundays 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Holiday Monday (May to September ONLY) 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Winter hours are in effect from after the October long weekend until March 31st:

Wednesdays 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sundays 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Recycle Sites are at the following locations:

- Town of Turtleford Transfer Site
- Hamlet of Livelong
- Hamlet of Spruce Lake
- R.M. of Mervin Transfer Site

* If there is any abuse of the recycling bins Council will be forced to remove them. ***Please do your part to keep our Communities clean!***