# Hamlet of Parkland Beach - 2025 AGM MEETING MINUTES

Date: June 8, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Facilitator: Don Sideroff

**ATTENDANCE** 

Board Members Present: Don Sideroff, Ashley Ducherer

**Board Members Absent:** Larry Fallscheer

**Special Guests Present:** Ken Hergott (RM Div 4 Councillor), Shiloh Bronken (RM CAO)

**Hamlet Attendees:** Kathy Kolberg, Carol Kingwell, Gerald Kingwell, Ron Sydia, John McMillan, Sharen Afseth, Bill Afseth, Alex Opperman, Carrol Skelton, Trent Pierce, Percy Zulynik, Jim Ferguson, Margaret Weese, Bev Sideroff, John Florchinger, Carol Florchinger.

## **GENERAL (PART 1)**

- 1. Don Sideroff called meeting to order at 10:03 AM.
- 2. Don introduced our two guests: Ken Hergott (RM Div 4 Councilor) and Shiloh Bronken (RM CAO).
- 3. Self-introductions around the room of all other Hamlet members.
- Ashley Ducherer read the minutes from the June 9, 2024 AGM Meeting. Any questions or omissions: None.
  - Bev Sideroff moved the minutes as adopted. Second by Alex Opperman. Carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 5. Extension of Parkland Ave North to Brian Nicodemus property. Despite the motion against this extension at our 2024 AGM, and our ongoing objections throughout 2024/2025, the RM Council has chosen to discard our wishes and will allow the road to be built with a gate installed on Brian's property. The road will be built on RM reserve land, not Parkland Beach land. Shiloh noted if a property owner meets all requirements in the Official Community Plan review, the RM cannot stop the development on one's property. Paige from the RM office will update the Board members and keep us in the loop as this project advances. Don Sideroff asked for clarification and an explanation as to why this road needs to be built in 2025; long after the Nicodemus property was established.
- 6. **Hamlet Sign & Map**: has been replaced for a total cost of \$535.30.

- 7. **New tires on the Firewagon**: purchased and installed for a total cost of \$436.00.
- 8. **Tax Allotment Percentage**: has been increased to 50%. The Hamlet has entered into an agreement with the RM to receive this increase; as long as the agreement is fulfilled, the Hamlet will receive this 10% increase in tax allotment (5-year capital plan, asset plan, etc. to be submitted to the RM by the Board, to abide by the agreement).
- 9. **2024 Sask Lotteries Grant** (\$250) was spent on additional sand for the playground (24 yards @ \$38/yard. Total cost of \$966.72).

## **GENERAL (PART 2)**

- 10. Ashley Ducherer read the **Annual Report to Ratepayers**. Copy sent to taxpayers. Any questions or omissions: None.
  - Margaret Weese moved the report as adopted. Second by Carrol Skelton. Carried.
- 11. Ashley Ducherer summarized the top 4 expenses from the **2024 Financial Statement**. Copy sent to taxpayers. Any questions or omissions: None.

Top Hamlet expenses for 2024 summarized as follows:

- ➤ Pump Out Tickets = \$7390.00
- ➤ Garbage Dumpster Tipping Fees = \$2310.31
- > Grass Mowing = \$2000.00
- ➤ Garage Power = \$1,920.49

Kathy Kolberg moved the report as adopted. Second by Carol Florchinger. Carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. **Grass Cutting:** have entered into a 2-year contract with Rick Matthew. He will cut our grass for \$400 per cut for 2025 & 2026. Price remains the same as 2024. In 2024 we averaged 5 cuts for a total of \$2000. Expect 2025 will follow a similar trend.
- 2. Roads/Gravel/Calcium: Calcium & gravel have both been applied to our streets.
- 3. **Pump out Tickets**: 2025 pump out tickets will be awarded to Poop To Go again, @ \$75/ticket (same as 2023 & 2024 pricing). These expire Dec 31, 2025. Any further pump outs after your tickets are used up, you pay full price (non-bid price). Motion made by John Florchinger that each ratepayer with an eligible residence or RV, with taxes current, receive two pump out tickets for 2025. Second by Jim Ferguson. All in favor. Carried.
- 4. **Garbage Disposal**: WYWRA rates have dramatically gone up. They now charge \$103.50/tip + overweight @ \$0.50/kg + fuel surcharge + environmental + GST. Garbage is dumped monthly from September to May, and weekly from May to September. Please do not dispose of appliances or recyclable materials in the dumpster. Recycable items are to be taken to the recycle bins in Livelong and appliances and all other non-household garbage are to be hauled to the Dump Site 6km down the road (Spruce Road). If you have free items, please leave them on your driveway. If the dumpsters are overfilled, it may mean WYWRA's trucks are broke down, please hang onto your garbage or haul it home with you after the weekend.

- 5. **Compost/Burning Piles**: Looking good so far. Gerald Weese volunteered to tidy up the piles this spring thank you Gerald!
- 6. **2025 Donations:** 
  - a. LADRA Summerspiel = \$125.00
  - b. PARCS Memerbship = \$150.00
  - c. TurtleLake Watershed: \$355.00 (this price has increased as they simply don't have the money they need to conduct higher quality water testing (4x/year). Cost is now \$5.00/property in the Hamlet (71 properties). Do we want to continue being a part of the TurtleLake Watershed? Consensus is Yes.
- 7. **Memoriums:** 3 hamlet members passed away this past year. \$50 memoriums were made to each of the families.
- 8. **Turtle Lake Watershed:** Our Hamlet rep is Sandra deMontarnel. Nothing to report. Sandra has volunteered to continue as our Rep. Thanks Sandra!
- 9. **2026 Sask Lotteries Grant:** Any ideas? None. Shiloh mentioned or utility costs for the Hamlet Garage (this building houses materials used for recreational activities such as the library books, puzzles, horsehoes, etc.)
- 10. License Plates for Golf Carts: Get one if you haven't already and you own a golf cart. They are \$50. This is not mandated by the RM but strictly SGI for insurance purposes. If the RM didn't make this bylaw, they wouldn't be allowed within the RM.
- 11. Tree Removal on RM Residential Land: no tree cutting permitted unless you have obtained permission to do so.
- 12. **Upcoming Board Meetings:** Dates have all been set for 2025 and into 2026. A list of the dates is posted inside the Hamlet garage on the bulletin board. If you plan to attend a Board meeting, please advise the Board within 14 days of the meeting as per the most recent policies.
- 13. **Meeting guests Ken & Shiloh** from the RM discussed the following:
  - a. **Fire Ban Bylaw**: ATV's not allowed for recreation use during a fire ban. Golf carts are excluded from this. ATV's can still be used for work purposes (including installing your dock/boat lift).
  - b. **Lake Study**: RM has engaged Crosby Hanna. The study is in preliminary stages. There's a meeting August 10<sup>th</sup> at Livelong Hall. They will be out doing boat counts and taking samples. All information from the study will be used for a detailed report for development purposes (to be considered for all future developments). The report is to be released by January 2026. The study will cost \$175,000 but a Grant through the province for \$100,000 has been received to cover costs of the collaboration.
  - c. Community Safety Officer(s): started this 4 years ago. Did a pilot test through a grant. Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 there will be a total of 4 CSO's. RM of Mervin is a majority stakeholder, meaning they receive a 54% working interest which equates to ~100 hours per week of CSO surveillance among the RM. They are

- meant to tour hamlets and monitor grid roads etc. 3512 = dispatch line. Help keep the communities safe.
- d. **Fire Chief:** to go around to each hamlet in the upcoming month to see what equipment each hamlet has for firefighting. They will make a binder and hope to collaborate among hamlets if a large-scale emergency arises.
- e. For those who use Spruce Lake road, it will be oiled this year. More oiled roads = less road maintenance for the RM.
- 14. **5 Year Capital Project Plan:** to be submitted by the Board to the RM before September 30<sup>th</sup> annually.
- 15. **Board Member Election**: Don Sideroff's 3 year term is up. Alex Opperman nominated Don Sideroff for another 3 year term. Don accepted. Second by Carol Kingwell. All in favor. Carried.
- 16. **2026 AGM Date**: Motion made by Carol Florchinger to have the next AGM Saturday June 6, 2026. Second by Ron Sydia. All in favor. Carried.

Motion made by Carol Kingwell to adjourn the meeting. Second by Trent Pierce. Carried.