

# Hamlet of Parkland Beach — 2026 AGM MEETING MINUTES

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**Date:** June 6, 2026

**Time:** 10:00 AM

**Facilitator:** Don Sideroff

## ATTENDANCE

**Board Members Present:** Don Sideroff, Ashley Ducherer

**Board Members Absent:** Larry Fallscheer

**Special Guests Present:** Gerry Ritz (RM Reeve), Ken Hergott (RM Div 4 Councilor), Shiloh Bronken (RM CAO)

**Hamlet Attendees:** Garrett Armitage, Sherry Clarkson, Sandra deMontarnal, Jim Ferguson, Shannon Ferguson, Trevor McLaren, John McMillan, Alex Opperman, Kandice Pylypow, Trent Pylypow, Matt Russett, Linda Russett, Bev Sideroff, Carrol Skelton, Andrea Swan, Stefanie Swan, Mary-Stewart Torrie, Marg Weese, Robert Weese, Bob Yohnke, Cathy Yohnke, Percy Zulynik

## GENERAL

1. Don Sideroff called meeting to order at 10:00 AM.
2. Don welcomed and introduced our three guests: Gerry Ritz (RM Reeve), Ken Hergott (RM Div 4 Councilor) and Shiloh Bronken (RM CAO).
3. Self-introductions around the room of all other Hamlet members.
4. Don mentioned and welcomed 6 new ratepayers within the Hamlet.
5. Don mentioned and extended the board members sympathy to the ratepayers who passed since our last AGM: Jack Philip, Mavis Gillen, Bill Afseth and Kay Heatherington.
6. Ashley read the **minutes from the June 8, 2025 AGM Meeting**. Copy sent to ratepayers. Any questions or omissions: None. Bev Sideroff moved the minutes as adopted. Second by Sandra deMontarnal. All in favor. Carried.
7. Ashley read the **Annual Report to Ratepayers**. Copy sent to ratepayers. Any questions or omissions: None. Jim Ferguson moved the report as adopted. Second by Marg Weese. All in favor. Carried.
8. Don summarized the top 7 expenses from the **2025 Financial Statement**. Apologies for a copy of the ledger being missed in the mail-out package to ratepayers. Copies were provided at the meeting. Any questions or omissions: None.

Top Hamlet expenses for 2025 summarized as follows:

- Pump Out Tickets = \$7,650.00
- Garbage Dumpster Tipping Fees = \$4,396.84
- Calcium = 2,737.09, Gravel = \$2,385.60
- Grass Mowing = \$1,800.00
- Garage Power = \$1,575.83
- Grading & Snow Plowing = \$1,005.00

Alex Opperman moved the report as adopted. Second by Sandra deMontarnal. All in favor. Carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. **Extension of Parkland Ave North to Brian Nicodemus property.** No news on this as per RM members and hamlet board members.
2. **Grass Cutting:** have entered into a 2-year contract with Rick Matthew effective for 2025 + 2026. \$400 per cut. Come when called.
3. **Roads/Gravel/Calcium:** All streets will be graveled and calciumed in 2026. Entrance road will be graveled. Estimated date of completion = June 14<sup>th</sup>, weather dependent. Once calcium is applied try not to rut up the roads because they don't get graded afterwards. Should you make ruts, please fix them. RM has a new calcium provider out of Kindersely (\$0.38/Litre). As always, stakes will be provided to mark where calcium should start/stop.
4. **Pump out Tickets:** 2026 pump out tickets will be awarded to Poop To Go again, @ \$75/ticket (same as 2023-2025 pricing). These expire Dec 31, 2026. Any further pump outs after your tickets are used up, you pay full price (non-bid price). Motion made by Carol Florchinger that each ratepayer with an eligible residence or RV, with taxes current, receive two pump out tickets for 2026. Second by Matt Russett. All in favor. Carried.
5. **Garbage Disposal:** WYWRA rates have been increasing over the past two years. They now charge \$134.56/tip + overweight @ \$0.50/kg + fuel surcharge + environmental + GST. Garbage is dumped monthly from September to May, and weekly from May to September. RM has half the shares of WYWRA and they've added two new trucks to the fleet, plus looking at adding a third this year. Please do not dispose of appliances or recyclable materials in the dumpster. Recyclable 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 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. Seems to be working with only one dumpster; only one occasion in the past year when the dumpster was over-full.

6. **Compost/Burning Piles:** Gerald Weese has been tidying up regularly – thank you Gerald! Burn pile was burned Dec. 31, 2025 and got a good burn. A burn permit is now required for this type of work and appropriate notifications are made. Board will enter into a contract with Gerald to continue doing this work going forward as it provides him with liability protection and an avenue to compensate him.
7. **2026 Donations:**
  - LADRA Summerspiel = \$125.00
  - PARCS Membership = \$225.00 (may not pay this in 2027; other hamlets are going away from PARCS and supporting the Turtle Lake Watershed instead).
  - Turtle Lake 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). Through discussion it was agreed upon a further increase to \$10/residence annually for the fees. Ashley to email the Watershed direct to express our approval of increasing the fees to this to conduct proper testing.
8. **Turtle Lake Watershed:** Our Hamlet rep is Sandra deMontarnel. Sandra has volunteered to continue as our Rep. Thanks Sandra! She noted the study is available for viewing on the RM website. Ken & Gerry with the RM advised the weir will be replaced this fall when water levels drop (located by the bridge at South Bay). This should help keep the lake water level more static.
9. **Upcoming Board Meetings:** Dates have all been set for 2026 and into 2027. 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.
10. **Amendments to Hamlet Policies:** updates made as per recent RM guidance. All policies are updated, printed and copies reside in the Hamlet Garage.
11. **AED Machine:** Required battery and pad replacements. The old model was being phased out so we would soon not be able to purchase new parts for it. Decided to purchase a new unit for \$1,881.45 tax included. This unit has a 4 year battery and pad life.
12. **Fire Fees Increase:** Effective Jan. 1, 2027 fire fees are increasing from \$5,000/event to \$10,000/event. Check your insurance so there are no surprises should an incident occur.
13. **Fire Wagon Product:** The RM is experimenting with a new product to replace foam. So far they have reported good results. We may also switch to this product for our hamlet fire wagon. Cost is \$250/5 gallon pail. Mix at a 1% concentration so the product goes a long way.
14. **Hamlet Emergency Response Plan (ERP):** As per EMO Coordinator Patrick Reid, we need to draft a ERP for the hamlet. This will be completed by the board members and sent to Patrick ASAP. A paper copy will be placed in a folder in the Hamlet garage.

**15. RM Guests Updates:**

- **RM Elections:** Ken Hergott's position is up in 2026. Mail in ballots can be obtained if you stop by the RM office to sign up for one. They can be filled out and mailed in at any time.
- **Community Safety Officers (CSO's):** 2 in training, 1 on medical leave currently. They will be enforcing traffic rules such as speeding and all ATV (helmets & seatbelts must be worn, underage drivers, etc.) and fire ban rules.
- **Fire Bans:** There are two levels. Only difference between the two is during Level 1 you can have a supervised/controlled campfire. The hamlet has different signs to put up depending on the ban level. Watch for these or check the RM site regularly.
- **Lake Study:** haven't seen the final study with the scientific data but hope to receive a copy within 2 weeks.
- **New Community Development/Municipal Planner:** Susan. She has 10 years of experience in this scope of work. Should you have any questions on building, reach out to the RM for her contact information.

**16. Boat Launch Docking & Area:** docking could use replacing or at best upgrade the bumper pads as the black rubber leaves black marks on the boats. Don noted the current dock is easy to install. Leave docking as is but motion made my Trent Pylypow to replace bumper pads on the existing hamlet dock. Second by Marg Weese. All in favor. Carried.

**17. Oiling Aspen Road:** Jim Ferguson asked if the RM has considered oiling Aspen Road as a form of dust control. RM CAO, Shiloh, noted they ran out of oil at the end of last year and the cost is up due to higher oil prices.

**18. Board Member Election:** Larry Fallscheer's 3 year term is up. Bev Sideroff nominated Trent Pylypow to join the board for a 3 year term. Trent accepted. Nominations cease. Second by Sandra deMontarnel. All in favor. Carried. Thank you Trent!

**19. 2026 AGM Date:** Motion made by Alex Opperman to have the next AGM Saturday June 5, 2027. Second by Sandra deMontarnel. All in favor. Carried.

Motion made by Marg Weese to adjourn the meeting. Second by Jim Ferguson. Carried.