

MINUTES
Hamlet of Good Spirit Acres
Annual General meeting
September 25, 2020

The meeting was convened outdoors Spilchen Meadows, observing the SHA COVID 19 best practices for outdoor gatherings. Sanitizer, and masks were available for all participants.

Call to order: Chair, Don Thompson called the meeting to order at 2:11 p.m. Hamlet Board members; Ron Farrell, and Deb Schmidt were present. James Morton, RM representative and Dave Popowich, Municipality Reeve were also in attendance. Total in attendance at the meeting totaled 61 persons.

Don Thompson welcomed all participants to the meeting and introduced Glen BOLT, President of the Good Spirit Condo association, and Kathleen GESSNER, participant with the Good Spirit Community Association.

Glen Bolt greeted everyone. He shared the Condo association is a registered entity with the Province of Saskatchewan. He is looking forward to a future relationship with the Hamlet and RM of Goodlake.

Kathleen Gessner, reviewed the recent activities of the Community Association and provided a report. (attached)

Don also acknowledged James Morton and Reeve Dave Popowich for their continued support for the community. He further acknowledged Dave for his 38 years of service to the residents of the RM of Goodlake.

Don Thompson thanked all participants and asked for a motion to accept the proposed meeting agenda.

Terry Konkel / Barry Bradshaw

25/09/21 #01 That the agenda be accepted as presented.

Carried

Don Thompson then asked for a review of the October 3, 2020 AGM Minutes

Kathleen Gessner / Darlene Farrell

25/09/21 #02 That the AGM minutes of October 3, 2020 be accepted as presented.

Carried

Business arising from the minutes:

a). Street oiling: Ron Farrell shared with attendees that street oiling was completed earlier in the summer at no additional charge to the Hamlet By Shaun Wilsons' crew and he acknowledged that with appreciation. He also shared that additional work; crack filling and remedy to portions of the road on Bayhill, Augusta, and Capalano is scheduled to start within the week. Responding to a concern voiced that a portion of Bayhill may be closed to traffic and detoured. If necessary, it will be marked for the safety of residents and visitors. This work has been budgeted in the 2021 financial report. Residents will be advised of work starting when that information is supplied by the contractor via the website or community signage.

Reports

Finance: Ron Farrell presented the most recent financial statement and shared budget and expenses are in balance. He explained many of the expenses are allocated on a population base to the Hamlet by RM levy. He reviewed for attendees several of the budget line items and expenses and asked if there were any questions specific to his report.

Maintenance/Transfer site: Don Thompson

Transfer site continues to be in good order – Don Thompson acknowledged the work of Barry Bradshaw and Wayne Dutchnitski for their service. He reminded residents of materials that are NOT for disposal at our transfer site- specifically mattresses and televisions. Mattresses are to be hauled to the Tiny RM site and televisions and electronics go to the Abilities Centre in Yorkton. Barry requested that residents insure their garbage is bagged and tied off correctly to help reduce the loose garbage that is currently attracting wasps.

Roads /Waterways: Ron Farrell

2021 as all participants are aware has been a very dry year with little or no standing water or precipitation. As a result we have spent most of the summer under a fire ban. The road oiling was completed by Shaun Wilson's crew on all Hamlet roads. The crack filling and road repairs scheduled will be starting shortly by Fedorowich Construction. Watch for updates on detours.

Lagoon, Lights, website: Deb Schmidt

Lagoon: Annually, the lagoon function and capacity is reviewed by the RM of Goodlake. The RM has recently graveled and graded the road to the lagoon and all is in good order.

Lights: All Hamlet lights are working. Attendees, were asked to do their part and report to the Board if there is a light that is defective so we can get it fixed as soon as

possible. Each pole has a metal plate with a number on it. If you see one out please take note of the tag number and report it to us so we can let SaskPower know.

Website- after the last AGM the Hamlet board enlisted the services of Bob Deacon as our webmaster. Thank you to community members for their interest in the site and to Bob for his work. It is a useful tool for notice of community events and for residents to stay informed on Hamlet undertakings.

R.M. Division Councilor: James Morton

General comments: James brought greetings to the group and remarked how nice it was to see such a strong attendance. He further commented on the good working relationship with the Hamlet Board makes his job more enjoyable with good communication. 2021 as a year was affected by Covid, drought and fire bans impacted residents and community use. With the continued drought conditions the Fire Ban may need to be re-introduced for the safety of the community. Little new development with the RM of Goodlake holding the line on mill rate increases. All aspects of the RM are running under tight budget lines. New undertakings mandated by the Federal and Provincial government requires intense asset management focus. New procedures are being implemented on reporting and depreciating assets. These reports are then tied to funding consideration. Additional staff have been added to complete these reports.

Municipal Reeve: Dave Popowich

Thanked Don Thompson for his dedication to Hamlet governance. He further noted that it was a respectful relationship that made working with the Hamlet a pleasure. Covid's impact on the RM rewrote in a lot of cases how business was done. The static mill rate was partially attainable due to the reduced RM gravel program. Work along roadsides with grass cutting is still underway. The completion of the highway paving is imminent and expects it to be wrapped up within the next several weeks. With the drought conditions in excess of one hundred thousand dollars has been spent on dust control. Next big project is the replacement of 3 large culverts at Good Spirit Lake with an estimated cost of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. New costs related to government asset requirements are in excess of fifty thousand dollars. He closed his remarks with thanking Don Thompson for his commitment to the Hamlet of Good Spirit acres.

Good Spirit Market: Joane Thompson

A general thank you to all residents for their support. Current hours are 9-6 weekdays. 9-7 weekends. Winter hours will be posted soon.

Good Spirit Golf Course: Did not accept the invitation to attend.

AED- James Morton addressed the group by identifying who in the community is AED certified. He also expressed his thanks to Elaine Park for her service to community. He

asked for additional people to come forward and volunteer for the training and service to community. Several people expressed interest and would volunteer after the meeting. Gayle Daum and James Morton are current operators.

Sandra Konkel / Elaine Parks

25/09/21 #03 That all of the reports be accepted as presented.

Carried

New Business: There was a recap of the plans underway to replace the **septic tank** at Spilchen Meadows with a 1000 gallon tank. Further information will be supplied as the project plans evolve. Update on the installation of the electric heater in the building. An electric heater was installed in the Spilchen meadows building by Metro Korchinski and Barry Bradshaw. Many thanks on behalf of the community.

Speed Bumps- Don Thompson, asked for community feedback on the trial initiative of speed bumps. They were intended to reduce speeds on Hamlet roads. He polled the attendees for a show of hands supporting the initiative. There was an overwhelming show of support in favor of speed bumps. Our thanks to Dean Wilson for the use of the speed bumps in the trial. The Hamlet board will report back with additional information on costs associated with making this a permanent summer initiative.

Election: Don Thompson thanked the two candidates; Caley Coppicus and Dan Cross, for allowing their names to stand for upcoming vacancy. He offered his thanks to Denise Morton and Carla Lindsay for acting as returning officers in the election. AGM attendees were encouraged to vote.

When all voting was completed, Caley and Dan were asked to be present for the vote count.

Denise Morton announced the results; Caley Coppicus 31 votes
Dan Cross 29 votes

Our thanks to Dan and Caley for allowing their names to stand for community consideration. Congratulations, Caley we look forward to working with you.

Spring Informational meeting: May 15, 2022. If this date has to change the membership will be notified.

25/09/21 #04 Wayne Dutchnitski

Meeting adjourned by at 3:25 p.m.

Carried

Don Thompson was acknowledged for his stewardship and service to community. His commitment was always for the safety and betterment of all. He was presented with a gift from his Hamlet Board peers.

Respectfully submitted: Deb Schmidt, secretary