

MINUTES
Hamlet of Good Spirit Acres
February 8, 2023

1. **Call to order:** Meeting convened electronically via Zoom. Attendees were Caley Coppicus, Deb Schmidt, Glen Bolt and RM Representative James Morton.
7:00pm
23/02/#01 That meeting be called to order
Schmidt/Coppicus
Carried

2. **Presentations – none**

3. **Approval of Agenda – to include addition of Website ‘Emergency’ page in New Business**
23/02/#02 That the agenda be accepted as amended.
Bolt/Coppicus
Carried

4. **Reading and Approval of Meeting Minutes (January 2023)**

23/02/#03
Bolt/Schmidt
Carried

5. **Business Arising –**
 - a) **Trapping –** Jim Oliver has completed trapping for the season. His final number of pelts was 19. The costs of this is to split between the Hamlet and the Provincial Park, with our portion of the cost totalling \$237.50.

6. **Reports –**
 - a) **Finance –** Members of the board reviewed the January Financial Statement. The Budget for the year will be put together sometime in March with input from all board members to ensure we are representing the needs of all taxpayers.
 - b) **Transfer and Maintenance –** The transfer site is in good working order. The wood pile at the transfer site is to be burned in the near future. Our thanks to the maintenance crew for their hard work keeping our community looking great.
 - c) **Lights and Lagoon –** Lagoon road and all lights in the Hamlet are in good working order. The approach to the lagoon needs some gravel due to ice, which we will remedy this week.
 - d) **Roads and Water –** At this time the Hamlet has no water issues to report. The roads in the Hamlet are being cleared of snow on an as needed basis.

Our many thanks to Dale Cherewyk for his timely work during the winter months.

- e) Website – Regular maintenance and updates are happening to the website as needed. If you would like any information added to the website please contact the Hamlet Board for prior approval before information can be released on the website. Bob and Caley will be working on some updates for the Emergency section of the web page, please check the website for info. Our many thanks to Bob Deacon for all his great work. The website for the Hamlet is goodspiritacres.ca
- f) RM Councillor – The RM will be in an ongoing negotiation with the Town of Canora for the fire board contract. Updates will be given at a later date. James has the RM convention coming up within the next couple months. James has shared that with the various costs the RM will be incurring in the next year (over \$1M) including the purchases of new equipment (grader, tractors, etc) that tax payers should anticipate an increase in the mill rate for the upcoming year.

**23/02/#04 That the reports be accepted as presented
Coppicus/Bolt
Carried**

7. Accounts for payment –

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| a) OSS | \$ 1146.05 | INVOICE#204026 |
| b) Dale Cherewyk (snow removal) | \$ 826.80 | INVOICE#644 |
| c) Jim Oliver – Coyote Trapping | \$ 237.50 | |

**23/02/#05 That the accounts be forwarded to the RM for Payment
Coppicus/Bolt
Carried**

- 8. Correspondence –** Bob Deacon shared information for the Legacy Co-op Community Improvement Grant. The Hamlet Board will be passing on the information to the Community Association for them to review.

9. New Business –

- a) **Library Expense –** We have received the 2023 Library Levy amount from the RM of Good Lake. The total amount is \$12,834.00 and the Good Spirit Acres share of this is \$1899.44 (based on population) to be taken in 2 installments in February and September.

- b) **Request for Equipment (Linus)** – Hamlet Employee Linus Blackstock has requested the purchase of some needed equipment for the Hamlet, including chainsaw, chain sharpener, chaps, work boots and grinding stones. The total before taxes comes to \$1025.95. The hamlet board has approved the purchase of the expenses but will review the RM policy on work boots to find out if this is to be a Hamlet or personal expense for Linus.
- c) **Website Updates (Emergency Info section)** – Various points were discussed with the Hamlet Board and James Morton to verify information regarding which agencies should be called for a variety of scenarios. This info will be added to the new Emergency section on the website, please watch for updates.

**23/02/#06 Motion to approve the purchase of required equipment for Hamlet employees.
Schmidt/Bolt
Carried**

10. Next Meeting – Scheduled for March 8th, 2023 at 7pm

**23/02/#07 Motion to Adjourn
Coppicus
Time 7:31pm**

Respectfully submitted: Caley Coppicus, Hamlet Secretary