

Hamlet of Good Spirit Acres

MINUTES

July 3, 2024

The GSA Hamlet Board is comprised of volunteer, community, elected delegates. We are not employees, we are your neighbours. As stewards of the community, we are an oversight committee. Like yourselves, we invested in our properties to enjoy lifestyle and amenities the community and region has to offer.

1. Call to order: Meeting convened at the Morton residence. Attendees were Deb Schmidt, Glen Bolt and RM Representative James Morton.

24/07/#01 That the meeting be called to order at 6:57pm.

Bolt

Carried

2. 24/07/#02 that Deb Schmidt assume the position of Acting Secretary with the resignation of Caley Coppicus.

Bolt

Carried

2. Presentations – none

3. Approval of Agenda

24/07/#03 That the agenda be accepted as amended.

Bolt

Carried

4. Reading and Approval of Meeting Minutes (June 2024)

24/07/#04 That the minutes of June 5, 2024 be accepted as presented.

Schmidt

Carried

5. Business Arising –

a) Resignation of Caley Coppicus. As board members we are distressed by her resignation, after the spring information meeting.

Volunteers should not be treated with disrespect in a public meeting to the extent they are harassed and resign. Please note the RM of Goodlake Harassment policy is attached. Caley has been a diligent steward for the community of Good Spirit Acres. As colleagues we will miss her humour and dedication to the board. She brought a youthful family perspective to projects under review and represented a family demographic in the hamlet effectively.

The vacancy will be filled by election at the fall AGM September. Thank you to Caley Coppicus and Judy James for accepting positions on the nominating committee for the election. Applications are available on the website.

6. Reports –

a) Finance – Financial reports reviewed by board.

b) Transfer and Maintenance – The RM of Goodlake has spread gravel at the transfer site, post office boxes, Bay Hill service road and lagoon road. It is an ongoing concern with the regional abuse of our transfer site. This site is designed and paid for by GSA residents. **We continue to have appliances, mattresses, railway ties dropped at the site. These are not allowed.** Expenses for the transfer site are higher for the month of June as part of the bear containment plan meant we had to contract with OSS for an additional pick up. The transfer site is NOT for the use of cabin owners or campers in the Provincial Park, NOT for residents of Sun Shadows or Good Spirit Woods, or regional residents. It is expressly for the use of Good Spirit Acres rate payers. Thank you Linus for your work keeping the Hamlet looking neat and well maintained.

c) Lights and Lagoon – all lights currently in good working order. Sask Power has contractors reviewing areas around the power lines in the hamlet. The Lagoon road has had additional gravel placed.

d) Roads and Water – At this time the Hamlet has no water issues to report. The ditches are currently capturing the excess rainfall and dissipation is 2-4 days.

e) Website – Regular maintenance and updates are happening to the website as needed. Our thanks to Bob Deacon for his work. The website for the Hamlet is goodspiritacres.ca. If you wish to receive GSA minutes by email please contact the RM of Goodlake to have your name added to the distribution list.

f) RM Councillor – James reports the RM has been busy with grading recently. We have had several roads graveled and leveled. #301 Capalano continues to be in contact with the legal counsel of the RM to remedy defects. #309 Capalano has had a complaint made to the RM to remedy the malaise of the property. The RM is a little behind with regional grass cutting due to weather. The electronic traffic speed sign will be positioned in the Hamlet sometime early July. This serves as a reminder to drivers – our community population; walking, and biking traffic goes up exponentially in the summer. Let's be cautious, courteous and safe.

The position of RM Administrator has been advertised with the resignation of Diane. The GSA board has enjoyed a good relationship with her and we are appreciative for her work on our behalf.

g) Community Association report is attached as well as Minutes of their past meetings. Welcome to the new board volunteers. Be sure to check the website for summer activities. Get your \$10 membership at the Good Spirit Market.

24/07/#05 That the reports be accepted as presented

Bolt

Carried

7. Accounts for payment –

a) OSS \$ 3424.76

b) Cherewyk Construction \$ 381.60

c) Bob Deacon \$ 31.80 webmaster

d) Linus Blackstock \$ 26.00 (gas purchased from GSA Market for lawn mower)

24/07/#06 That the accounts are approved and forwarded to the RM for

Payment

Schmidt

Carried

8. Correspondence –

Several members of the community have sent letters of opinion to the RM of Goodlake. It is important to note that the comments and opinions shared are a reflection of their values not the position of the GSA Hamlet board.

- a) Ken Pilon has provided information on personal fire water paks. His contact information is included as well as a picture of the firefighting water paks he has available for individuals to purchase.
- b) Facebook item on transfer site use- the comments are relevant and timely with the recent items dumped. The refrigerator and mattress have been moved to the Tiny transfer site. JP thank you for sharing your concerns – we agree. Thanks Barry and Trevor.
- c) Transfer site note of concern sent to Hamlet website- attached. Also well written and timely. The suggestion is under review for cost. It was shared that the Tiny

site locked the site and individuals continued to leave the items outside the property which in turn required labour hours to move the material to the correct spot. The recommendation is under review.

9. New business

- a) RM of Goodlake #274 Bylaw 06 2024. Golf Carts Attached. **This is a Provincial requirement.**

24/07/#07 That the RM 274 Bylaw on Golf Cart Use – be adopted by the Hamlet of Good Spirit Acres. It will come into full force upon 3rd reading of the RM of Goodlake #274.

Bolt

Carried

b) Heritage water retention. We have worked with the RM and reviewed years of past minutes on past work done, culvert leveling. More investigation required. Between Capalano and Heritage there is a 1.25 inch transom elevation difference. In remedy would lowering several culverts remedy or complicate current water collection in ditches as the elevation increases westward? More work to follow in developing a solution to this matter.

c) Signage at the entrance to the hamlet. There appears to be a growing collection on advertising signs that is potentially distracting to drivers and blocks the visibility of foot/ bike traffic behind this sign corridor. Safety of hamlet residents and visitors is primary. This pedway path is busy for walking, biking and traffic from Sun Shadows the Bible camp and the GSPark. Many have been placed without permission and impact our grass cutting maintenance. The RM will be sending letters to these individuals for removal.

10.Next Meeting – Tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 1pm,
Schmidt Residence

24/07/#08 Motion to Adjourn

Bolt

Time 8:24 pm

Respectfully submitted: Deb Schmidt acting secretary

We have an amazing community – lets embrace summer 2024 and have FUN!