

Minutes
59th Annual General Meeting
Royal Executive Hotel
10010 178 Street, West Edmonton
Thursday, October 19, 2017
4:00 pm



1. Call to Order by the President

The AGM was called to order at 3:42 pm

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Larry St. Amand, Summer Village of West Cove, that the agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried.

3. Adoption of October 21, 2016 Minutes from 2016 Annual General Meeting

Moved by Cornelia Helland, Summer Village of Castle Island, that the minutes of October 21, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

4. ASVA Annual Report – Successes and Challenges

President Pellatt indicated that the new Annual Report, which was provided at the meeting provided information on the successes and challenges accomplished by the ASVA during 2015- 2016.

Moved by Richard Martin, Summer Village of Sunset Point, that the Executive Director's Annual Report be approved as presented.

Carried.

5. 2016 Financial Statements

Treasurer Rob Dickie provided the 2016 Financial Report as presented in the Annual Report.

Moved by Ren Giesbrecht, Summer Village of West Cove, that the financial report be accepted as information.

Carried.

6. ASVA Resolutions

President Pellatt noted that prior to the deadline, no resolutions had been received. However, the day following the deadline, two resolutions from the Summer Village of Birchcliff were received which were included in the AGM package. As well, Ren Giesbrecht requested today that an additional resolution, from the Summer Villages of Lac Ste Anne County East Association, be considered. According to our ASVA Bylaw [Section 4.g.] the resolutions may be considered if approved by two-thirds majority vote.

Moved by Brenda Shewaga that the Resolutions 2017-01, 2017-02 and 2017-03 be considered by the membership.

**Carried.
[one opposed]**

a. Resolution 2017-01

Thom Jewell, Mayor of the Summer Village of Birchcliff, addressed their resolution on Vacation Rentals.

**Resolution 2017 -01
SUMMER VILLAGE OF BIRCHCLIFF
VACATION RENTALS RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS the Summer Village of Birchcliff and the Summer Village of Norglenwold recognize changes in property rentals in summer villages;

WHEREAS there is a growing number of VRBO [Vacation Rental By Owner] and Air BnB type properties within summer villages that are not consistent with the visions of Summer Villages in the Province of Alberta;

WHEREAS the Summer Villages of Alberta will be greatly impacted without authorities to manage these types of properties.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta [*friendly amendment to correct name*] research other authorities and provide a template for Bylaw that may be utilized by Summer Villages in Alberta.

Brenda Shewaga, Summer Village of Yellowstone spoke against the motion.

June Boyda, Summer Villages of Itaska/Sundance questioned whether the ASVA had the funding and capacity to undertake this resolution. Executive Director responded that ASVA does not have the budget to undertake this request as it would have to go through legal review.

Moved by Thom Jewell, Summer Village of Birchcliff, that Resolution 2017-01 be supported by the membership with the change to the ASVA name.

Defeated.

b. Resolution 2017-02

Thom Jewell, Mayor of the Summer Village of Birchcliff, addressed their resolution on Provincial Disturbance Standards.

**Resolution 2017 - 02
SUMMER VILLAGE OF BIRCHCLIFF
PROVINCIAL DISTURBANCE STANDARDS RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS the Summer Village of Birchcliff and the Summer Village of Norglenwold recognize changes shoreline management and authorities and a probable increase of piers and hoists along the shoreline;

WHEREAS there is a growing requirement for summer villages and all municipalities to be able to manage the shorelines adjacent to the municipality;

WHEREAS the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta [friendly amendment to correct name] will be greatly impacted without Federal or Provincial rules along shorelines

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta [friendly amendment to correct name] urge the Province of Alberta complete Disturbance Standards and work with Summer Villages on Memorandums of Understanding for the management of shorelines adjacent to all municipalities within the Province of Alberta

Roger Montpellier, Summer Village of Val Quentin spoke in favour of this resolution.

Don Davidson, Summer Village of Grandview indicated that disturbance of the shoreline is of critical importance but requested clarification as to whether this should be a Licence of Occupation (LOC).

Morris Nesdole, Summer Village of Sunset Beach asked for clarification on where this initiative was with the Government of Alberta.

Moved by Thom Jewell, Summer Village of Birchcliff, that Resolution 2017-02 be supported by the membership with the change to the ASVA name.

Carried.

c. **Resolution 2017-03**

Ren Giesbrecht, Deputy Mayor of the Summer Village of West Cove introduced the resolution brought forward by the Summer Villages of Lac Ste. Anne County East Association on Alberta Lake Weed Harvesting Permits.

Resolution 2017 - 03

**SUMMER VILLAGES OF LAC STE ANNE COUNTY EAST ASSOCIATION
ALBERTA LAKE WEED HARVESTING PERMITS**

Whereas, the member municipalities of Summer Villages Lac Ste Anne County East Association recognize the need for a lake weed harvesting program along their respective shorelines. Recreational use of Alberta lakes contributes to tourism and the Alberta economy. Lake weed harvesting adds to the recreational use, value and health of our lakes.

Whereas, there is continuing high use boat traffic along summer village shorelines that cut lake weeds with boat propellers. Those cut weeds wash up on shore or sink to the lake bottom contributing to lake nutrient levels.

Whereas, there has been an issue with Cyanobacteria (blue-green algae) blooms in many Alberta lakes. Cyanobacterial Harmful Algal Blooms (CyanoHABs) are dangerous to people, animals, and the environment and can lead to a depletion of oxygen in the water, release of toxins, and taste and odour problems. Current nutrient pollution and global warming are also exacerbating the problem, increasing the number of cyanobacterial blooms that occur. Floating lake weeds and dead lake weeks sink to the lake bottom contributing to the nutrient level.

Whereas, with the increase in weed growth in deeper water in Alberta lakes and with the continued recreational use of many lakes a weed harvesting program should be encouraged. Lake weed harvesting would keep the weed growth below boat propeller level. It would be advantageous to allow the harvesting to take place twice a year. The shoreline in front of all summer villages combined on most lakes would only be a small percentage of the total shoreline and would not have an adverse effect on fish or waterfowl.

Now therefore be it resolved that, the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta [friendly amendment to correct name] urge the Province of Alberta to allow all Summer Villages within the Province of Alberta to implement a Lake Weed Harvesting Program at least twice a year along the shorelines bordering their respective municipal boundaries.

Don Davidson, Summer Village of Grandview, spoke against the motion.

Roger Montpellier, Summer Village of Val Quentin, spoke in favour of the motion.

Moved by Ren Giesbrecht, Summer Village of West Cove, that Resolution 2017-03 be supported by the membership with the change to the ASVA name.

Carried.

7. Nomination Committee – Election of Officers

Pete Langelle, Chair of the Nomination Committee provided the report from the Nomination Committee. A map was provided showing how the summer villages were divided into 5 regions in the province and how it is the intent of the ASVA to have balanced membership from these 5 regions. Based on these regions and the nominations received with the required information, the committee, which was made up of retiring Directors, provided the recommended Board nominations for the 12 positions on the ASVA Board.

Some questions were addressed regarding additional nominations.

President Pellatt called for nominations from the floor three times and no additional nominations were received.

Moved by Pete Langelle, Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach, that nominations cease.

Carried.

President Pellatt declared the slate of officers by region:

Lac Ste Anne / Wabamun (17 SVs – 4 reps)

- Rob Dickie – Mayor - SV of Betula Beach
- Dennis Evans – CAO Birch Cove / Val Quentin
- Brenda Shewaga – Deputy Mayor – SV of Yellowstone
- Marlene Walsh – Deputy Mayor – SV of Val Quentin

Island Lake / Baptiste Lake (9 SVs – 2 reps)

- Duncan Binder – Councillor – SV of Island Lake
- Morris Nesdole – Mayor – SV of Sunset Beach

Bonnyville / St. Paul (2 SVs – 1 rep)

- Gary Burns – Mayor – SV of Horseshoe Bay

Pigeon Lake Central (10 SVs – 2 reps)

- Pete Langelle – Councillor – SV of Ma-Me-O Beach
- Peter Pellatt – Mayor – SV of Sundance Beach

Sylvan Lake / Gull Lake and South (12 SVs – 2 reps)

- Teresa Beets – Mayor – SV of Sunbreaker Cove
- Mike Pashak – Councillor – SV of Half Moon Bay

Past President

- Leslie Ellis

Moved by Pete Langelle, that the ASVA Bylaws be revised at the next AGM to show Director representation on the ASVA Board by a balanced regional approach.

Carried.

8. Next Annual General Meeting

The 60th Annual General Meeting of the Association of Summer Villages of Alberta will be held October 18, 2018. Dates for the conference will be October 18-19, 2018.

9. Adjournment

President Pellatt declared the meeting adjourned at 4:43pm.