

**ASSOCIATION OF SUMMER VILLAGES OF ALBERTA**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**July 27, 2020**  
**6:30 pm, Virtual Zoom Meeting**

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**ATTENDANCE:** President Mike Pashak, Duncan Binder, Rob Dickie, Brenda Shewaga, Marlene Walsh, Pete Langelle, Morris Nesdole, Dennis Evans, Teresa Beets, Gary Burns

**REGRETS:** Peter Pellatt

**RECORDING:** Deb Hamilton, Executive Director

**DELEGATION:**

**1. Call to Order**

President Mike Pashak called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

**2. Deletions & Additions to the Agenda – 7. g) MGA General Streamlining Proposals - Part 17**

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**Res. 20-23**

*Moved by Morris Nesdole that the agenda be approved as amended.*

**Carried**

**4. Delegations – There were no delegations**

**5. Minutes – June 15, 2020**

**Res. 20-24**

*Moved by Gary Burns that the June 15, 2020 Board meeting minutes be approved as circulated.*

**Carried**

**6. Financial Reports**

**Quarterly Report: For the Period Ending June 30, 2020:** Treasurer Rob Dickie reported that not much has changed from the previous meeting held a month ago. The conference decisions will have the biggest impact on the budget.

**Res. 20-25**

*Moved by Rob Dickie that the financial report for the month ending June 30, 2020, be accepted as information.*

**Carried**

**7. New Business**

**a. 2019 Audited Financial Statement**

The 2019 Year End Financial Statement prepared by Colleen Ewashko, Chartered Professional Accountant, was presented and reviewed by the Board.

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**Res. 19-26**

***Moved by Brenda Shewaga that the Financial Statement for the Year Ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019, be accepted by the Board and further that it be presented at the 2020 Annual General Meeting for approval by the membership.***

***Carried***

**b. 2020 Conference (AGM/Resolution Session)**

The Board was advised of the outcomes of the Conference Organizing Committee meeting held earlier this evening:

- The committee felt that the AGM would have been held on October 15<sup>th</sup> anyway and so decided this would proceed that day in a virtual setting. Help from members of the Board will be needed to aid in facilitating the voting process. Deb advised that the Zoom program has a voting component depending on the package we have. The program AUMA uses for voting is very costly.
- It is being suggested that the AGM start at 4:00 p.m. followed possibly by an Advocacy Session similar to last year with the whole program not exceeding 90 minutes. It could be set up from 4:00 – 6:00 to allow time in case the AGM goes on a bit longer than anticipated (new bylaw being presented and the number of resolutions received could also impact the length)
- The committee felt it worthwhile to pursue some sponsorship. Marlene and Deb will be working on this.
- Discussions took place regarding the possibility of a virtual silent auction. This could be looked into further.
- The Conference Organizing Committee felt that because there will only be an AGM/Resolution session and possibly an Advocacy Panel Discussion that the planning around this is minimal and could be held all at the Board level rather than holding separate Committee meetings. The Board agreed there would be a segment added to each Board agenda for these discussions this year.

**i. McIntosh Bulrush Award**

The Board agreed that this should still be offered with a deadline of September 1<sup>st</sup> for submissions.

**ii. Life Time Member**

The Board agreed that this should still be offered with a deadline of September 1<sup>st</sup> for submissions.

**iii. ASVA Advocacy – Panel Discussion**

The Board agreed that this would be a worthwhile addition to the virtual meeting immediately following the AGM.

**iv. Annual Report**

The Board was advised that the Annual Report would still be done. It was suggested that this not only provides the membership with an update on the activities of the ASVA over the last year but also is a good document to pass on to government officials.

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**c. Understanding the Value of Trees & Forests**

The Board reviewed the information regarding a project on Understanding the Value of Trees and Forests. This project was sponsored by the Agroforestry and Woodlot Extension Society (AWES) and the Alberta Real Estate Foundation (AREF) under their Land Stewardship & Environment project funding area. This project will enable Albertans to understand and respond to changing land use patterns, growth pressures, air and water management issues and enhance the ecological quality of their communities. The consultant that circulated this information was hired to undertake this specific project. The Board discussed the importance of sending out information to the membership on the granting opportunities through the AWES and AREF. The WPAC's may be interesting in this granting opportunity as well.

**Res 20-27**

***Moved by Duncan Binder that the information received on Understanding the Value of Trees and Forests project funded through the AWES and AREF be circulated to the ASVA membership as information only.***

***Carried***

**d. Online Banking**

The Board discussed the value of having a bank account that accommodates online banking. The Board reviewed the costs related to the current banking option versus that with online ability.

**Res 20-28**

***Moved by Gary Burns that the Executive Director be authorized to access online banking for account 04629 003 100-144-5 effective immediately.***

***Carried***

**e. Municipal Wetland Replacement Program**

The Board reviewed the information received from CPP Environmental in relation to the Wetland Replacement Program. Further discussions ensued relative to the importance of getting the information out on this program, but to ensure the membership understands that the ASVA has no obligations to the specific consultant circulating the information.

**Res 20-29**

***Moved by Mike Pashak that information received on the Municipal Wetland Replacement Program be circulated to the ASVA membership as information only on the program.***

***Carried***

**f. Summer Village of Bonnyville Beach – Resolution Support**

The Board reviewed correspondence and a resolution from the SV of Bonnyville Beach. They are requesting that the ASVA circulate to the membership the resolution they are presenting to the Federal Minister of Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness in relation to the criminal code

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amendments approved under an Order in Council on May 1, 2020 prohibiting a series of firearms, parts and related items.

**Res 20-30**

***Moved by Mike Pashak that the information received from the Summer Village of Bonnyville Beach in relation to concern over the amendments passed to the Federal Criminal Code on a series of firearms, be circulated to the membership as information only including a statement that the ASVA has not established a position or opinion on this subject matter.***

***Carried***

**g. Part 17 General Streamlining Proposals – Feedback Request**

The Board reviewed information from Alberta Municipal Affairs in relation to proposed changes to Part 17 of the MGA, changes that would streamline various planning and development processes. The information requested feedback on the general streamlining changes. The Board agreed that the President and Executive Director should take the lead on providing feedback.

**8. Review of Action Items – Reviewed as information.**

**9. Committee Reports**

- a. AUMA Board Report – Mike Pashak: Are reviewing their bylaw
- b. Lake Stewardship / AIS – Marlene Walsh/ Brenda Shewaga: Report shared in agenda package
- c. MSSAC – Dennis Evans: At last meeting discussed municipal services delivery models, will be a new program aimed to develop service levels and then evaluate which municipalities meet these levels.
- d. AWC – Morris Nesdole:
  - Are reviewing and updating the wetland policy, have asked the Alberta Water Council to review as well.
  - Participating in a drought resiliency committee
  - Participating in a Water for Life Implementation review, will have a report ready to submit to the Alberta Water Council.Discussions took place about the Lake Stewardship Manual, to put this on the action log. Morris advised that the Alberta Water Council is reviewing.
- e. ASVA Conference Organizing Committee – Rob Dickie: previously discussed
- f. Executive Director – Circulated with Agenda

**10. Correspondence – No additional correspondence items were circulated with the agenda.**

**11. Round Table:**

*Gary:* Province is undertaking a review of linear assessment, could have a significant negative impact on municipalities.

*Brenda:* Have had a number of break-ins lately, suggestion to put up surveillance signage at entrance to summer village.

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*Duncan:* Increase in vandalism in their summer village as well but on municipal property such as road signs and playground equipment. Finalizing IDP with Athabasca County. Also now reviewing LUB and MDP.

*Marlene:* Still dealing with high water levels, continue to deal with flooding and sandbagging. Lots of learnings when the SOLE was declared. Emergency management continues to be a focus: working with AEMA, there are changes in leadership with the association, training underway, building emergency kits

*Teresa:* Much busier at the lake, there are some days where there are 2 – 3 hour lineups at the boat launch, working with the County on this. Are still waiting on final approval for their waste waterline project.

*Mike:* Experiencing a lot of activity as well, many people parked on both sides of the road making it difficult to travel through. Beaches are extremely busy with people, have now put up signage indicating when the parking lot is full.

*Dennis:* They are struggling with flooding as well.

**12. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Next meeting is August 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.