

ASSOCIATION OF SUMMER VILLAGES OF ALBERTA
BOARD MEETING OF September 22, 2014
6:00 pm, Royal Executive Inn, Edmonton, Alberta



ATTENDANCE: Peter Pellatt, Chuck Dechene, Leslie Ellis, Bob Yontz, Pete Langelle, Betty Forfyflow, Dennis Evans, Rob Dickie, Marlene Walsh, Joyce Megson, Glen Usselman, Gary Burns, Beverly Anderson

REGRETS:

1. Call to Order

Peter Pellatt called the meeting to order at 6:25 pm.

2. Deletions & Additions to the Agenda

1. 4 Resolutions for ASVA (sent prior by email)
 1. Dreissenid Invasive Mussels – Rochon Sands
 2. Minimizing the Spread of Didymo – Rochon Sands
 3. Management of Municipal Property –waterfront – SV of Seba Beach
 4. Alberta Health Advisories for Alberta Lakes – SV of Grandview
2. Lake Stewardship – Feasibility Request by Abe Silverman – Leslie Ellis

3. Approval of the Agenda

Res. 14 – 37

Betty Forfyflow moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried.

4. Delegation

None

5. Approval of the Minutes of August 16, 2014

Beverly noted that the names of the guests attending the session were not included in the original minutes that were distributed but have been since added on. Robert Yontz was not in attendance.

Res. 14 – 38

Moved by Pete Langelle that the minutes of August 16, 2014 be approved as amended.

Carried.

6. Action Items

Action items were reviewed and updated.

7. Financial Reports

- a. Draft Notice to Readers – Year End Financial Statement

Res. 14-39

Moved by Gary Burns that the Board accept the 2013 Year End Financial Statement prepared by Breeze Accounting which will be reviewed for approval by the membership at the AGM.

Carried.

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Discussion was had regarding how much of the financial report was to be included in the annual report. It was decided that the 3 reports be included (Balance Sheet, Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, and the Statement of Changes in Cash).

- b. Request for loan from ASVA for FRIAA expenditures
Beverly explained that the payments from FRIAA are not lining up with the payment dates for invoices so that in this next month there will be a deficit for a short term. Beverly requested a short term transfer of funds from the ASVA Bank Account to the ASVA FRIAA account to cover the shortage. The funds would be returned once there is satisfactory amount in the FRIAA account to cover costs.

Res. 14-40

Moved by Gary Burns that the Executive Director have the authority to move funds between accounts on a temporary basis as required.

Carried.

8. Committee Reports

- a. Conference - AGM 2014
 - i. Committee Report - Betty provided an update on Conference planning. Marlene provided information on which companies provided sponsorship funding and who presently were supplying items for the silent auction. There was discussion that sponsorship levels and what they allow will have to be reassessed next year as by the time we provide free sponsorship tickets there is little funds left as sponsorship money.

Beverly noted that we are still awaiting confirmation from Minister McQueen as keynote speaker.

ACTION: Peter Pellatt to contact Minister McQueen to see if she might be available.

Pete Langelle gave an update on the musical student group, the Alberta Music and Talent group that will be performing for the audience at the banquet as the evening's entertainment. The funds paid to them to perform, will help their group buy music equipment and assist with their entry fee into the music festival.

There was a suggestion that in future years, the Board should inquire as to whether there is music talent within the Summer Villages that would be interested in performing.

Res. 14-41

Pete Langelle moved that we pay the Alberta Music and Talent group \$800 for providing music for the evening of October 17th at the ASVA Banquet.

Carried.

- ii. Volunteers for ASVA Conference
- iii. Annual Report
Beverly presented the draft of the Annual Report. The Board was pleased as this was their first printed annual report.

Res. 14-42

Moved by Chuck Dechene that the Board approves the ASVA Annual Report and that we send copies to the appropriate Ministers, Agencies, and WPACs.

Carried.

iv. AGM Resolutions

1. Dreissenid Invasive Mussels – Rochon Sands
2. Minimizing the Spread of Didymo – Rochon Sands
3. Management of Municipal Property –waterfront – SV of Seba Beach
4. Alberta Health Advisories for Alberta Lakes – SV of Grandview

The Board reviewed the resolutions submitted to the ASVA for consideration by the membership at the AGM on October 17, 2014. The Board suggested that we ask SV of Grandview whether they would consider slight revisions to their resolution (e.g. change blue-green algae to cyanobacteria, etc.)

ACTION: Beverly will follow-up with Mayor Don Davidson.

v. McIntosh Award Nominations

The Board reviewed the nominations received.

Res. 14-43

Moved by Betty Forfyflow that the McIntosh Bulrush Award be awarded to the Pigeon Lake Watershed Association. Lacombe County should be recognized as the runner-up for their work done on the Aquatic Invasive Species Inspection Day.

b. Lake Stewardship

- i. AIS – Bob Yontz indicated that there is no report but will forward the report from Kate via email.

ACTION: Bob to send Kate Wilson's update by email for distribution.

- ii. Feasibility Study Request by Abe Silverman

Leslie brought forward a request by Abe Silverman. Abe is looking for support in taking the idea for a Feasibility Study on Cyanobacteria Harvesting to a different lake for consideration. He would like support to take it to Lac Ste Anne and Baptiste Lake. Although there is still some support in having this study undertaken, new reports show that there are other cost effective methods that should also be considered. The Board suggested that Mr. Silverman talk to Dr. Zurawell for guidance and support.

- c. MSSAC – Beverly provided an update on the MSSAC meeting and discussion regarding letters sent to the Minister by the AUMA. Of particular concern is that the ASVA does not want to see the current process of dissolution followed if 2 SVs were to amalgamate due to existing legislation that a new (joint) Summer Village could not be formed.

ACTION: Beverly is to provide copies of the 2 letters sent by the AUMA to the Minister of Municipal Affairs regarding the Viability review and the MGA review along with a draft response from the ASVA for Peter's signature.

- d. FRIAA – Peter distributed a draft of the first Wildfire Mitigation Strategy for the SV of Sandy Beach. Progress is on track and all the field work is completed. Five draft plans have also been completed.
- e. Fire Protection Strategy – Peter distributed the Table of Index which will form the structure of the report. Peter indicated that the project is back on track. Peter also noted that he and Leslie looked into sprinkler and alarm systems used by U of A and new fire extinguishers (available in the US) that are biodegradable.
- f. AUMA Report – Peter Pellatt has sent out the newsletter as the update.

9. Correspondence

As circulated.

10. Further Business

- a. ASVA E-Newsletter
Beverly provided a snapshot of the ASVA's first newsletter – Fall Issue. It is an introductory newsletter. Further newsletters will be done quarterly (Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall). Discussion also took place as to whether we should include the History of the ASVA by Charles Denney. It was felt that it could be abbreviated and put onto the ASVA website in a shortened summarized format. As well, someone should also fill in the following years to the present.
ACTION: Beverly to look into finding someone who might be able to fill in the details of the ASVA following 1983, the period covered by the Charles Denney report. As well, Beverly will attempt to summarize the information from the document.

Peter Pellatt left the meeting at 8:30 pm

- b. KLMP review of the MGA (sent earlier by email)
Beverly wanted to know whether further response was required by the ASVA to KLMP's review of the MGA. Gary Burns noted some sections that we as Summer Villages should be particularly concerned about – specifically p14 Sections 33-36, particularly the low taxes being paid by rural municipalities.
DECISION: Table this item until such time as our AUMA representative (Peter Pellatt) is present.

11. ASVA STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION – Finalize Vision, Mission, Goals

Beverly presented the outcome of the Strategic Planning Sessions and to assist the Board, drafted up suggested Goals as a result of what was provided at the planning sessions. A few changes were made and the final document will be inserted into the annual report.

Res. 14-44

Moved by Betty Forfyflow that we accept the Strategic Planning document including the ASVA Vision, Mission and Goals and that it be included in the Annual Report. Carried.

12. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm.