

ASSOCIATION OF SUMMER VILLAGES OF ALBERTA
BOARD MEETING 6:00PM
April 07, 2025
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ZOOM ATTENDANCE: Mike Pashak, Brian Waterhouse, Rob Dickie, Curtis Schoepp, Marlene Walsh, Kim Bancroft, Julie Maplethorpe, Ian Rawlinson, Ren Giesbrecht and Kathy Dion

REGRETS:

RECORDING: Kathy Krawchuk, Executive Director

FINANCE: Colleen Ewashko, Financial Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Mike Pashak called meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Res. 25-11

Moved by Ren Giesbrecht that the Agenda of April 07, 2025 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. MINUTES – January 20, 2025

Res. 25-12

Moved by Ian Rawlinson that the January 20, 2025 Board Minutes, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS – None at this Time

6. FINANCIALS

A. Income Statement & Cash Position for Period Ending February 28, 2025

Financial Manager Colleen Ewashko provided the Board with a brief overview of the finances up to February 28, 2025.

Res. 25-13

Moved by Rob Dickie that the financial report for February 28, 2025, be accepted as information.

CARRIED

7. OLD BUSINESS ARISING FROM JANUARY 20, 2025 MINUTES

A. Ombudsman Information

Res. 25-14

Moved by Ren Giesbrecht that the Ombudsman Information be accepted as information.

CARRIED

B. Summer Villages Elected Officials Training

Res. 25-15

Moved by Brian Waterhouse that the Summer Villages Elected Officials Training Information be accepted as information.

CARRIED

C. Summer Villages IT Surveys

Res. 25-16

Moved by Kathy Dion that the Summer Villages IT Survey Information be accepted as information.

CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion/Approval –Voting by Special Ballot

ED Kathy Krawchuk explained that she received an email from the SVs on Sylvan Lake asking the ASVA to be an advocate regarding Voting by Special Ballot. Discussions ensued.

Res. 25-17

Moved by Curtis Schoepp that the Voting by Special Ballot be accepted as information.

CARRIED

B. Discussion/Approval – Information on Permanent Electors Register for Municipal Elections

An email was received from Assistant Deputy Minister, Municipal Services, Alberta Municipal Affairs, Gary Sandberg, regarding information on Permanent Electors Register for Municipal Elections. Discussions ensued.

Res. 25-18

Moved by Ren Giesbrecht that this item be accepted as information.

CARRIED

C. Discussion/Approval – IAMA Workshop Red Deer

Marlene informed the ASVA Board that she found the IAMA Workshop to be beneficial and asked for ASVA to consider becoming a member, for an annual fee of \$100.

Res. 25-19

Moved by Marlene Walsh that the ASVA join the IAMA and pay the membership fee of \$100, annually.

CARRIED

D. Discussion/Approval – ASVA Policy #301 – Life Membership Award

ED Kathy Krawchuk explained the amendments to Policy #301 that were discussed at the March 5th COC meeting. Discussion ensued.

Res. 25-20

Moved by Ren Giesbrecht that the amendments presented to the Board for the Life Membership Award Policy #301, be amended to read that “the Life Member in the year that they are receiving the award, will receive a free registration, and a guest banquet ticket and that in future years, the life member would continue to receive a free registration, but if they choose to bring a guest to the banquet, a banquet ticket must be purchased”.

CARRIED

Moved by Mike Pashak that the amendments presented to the Board under the Nomination Process, be accepted, and after the highlighted section of amendments, that “membership will be given notice via email and the ASVA website”, be added, and furthermore that Item “b” on Page 2 of policy #301, be deleted.

CARRIED

E. Discussion/Approval – ASVA Policy #302 – McIntosh Bulrush Award

ED Kathy Krawchuk explained the amendments to Policy #302 that were discussed at the March 5th COC meeting. Discussions ensued.

Res. 25-21

Moved by Ian Rawlinson that policy #302, number 4, that the wording “via email and the ASVA website” be added to the amendment presented, and furthermore, that clause 6 amendment read as follows “The recipient will be invited to the year’s annual convention free of charge where an official presentation will be held. If the recipient chooses to bring a guest to the awards banquet, a banquet ticket must be purchased in order to do so. Or if the award goes to multiple recipients; the ASVA will have the discretion to provide additional banquet tickets.

CARRIED

F. Discussion/Approval - ASVA Sponsorship Grid Level

ED Kathy Krawchuk explained the amendments to the Sponsorship Grid Level that were discussed at the March 5th COC meeting as a way to cut down on the number of complimentary meals being handed out.

Res. 25-22

Moved by Ren Giesbrecht that ASVA accept the COC changes to the Sponsorship Grid, that being of the Silver Sponsorship Level is entitled to one (1) pass for meals throughout the day instead of two (2).

CARRIED

G. Discussion/Approval – 2025 Conference Topic Suggestions

The COC informed the Board of the topics/speakers that were discussed and agreed upon at the March 5th COC meeting. The Board was asked to share their thoughts on further topics/speaker that they would like to be presented at this year's conference. Discussions ensued.

Res. 25-23

Moved by Ren Giesbrecht that ASVA accept the conference topics presented as information, and furthermore, that the conference start time be 9:00am.

CARRIED

Res. 25-24

Moved by Kathy Dion that ASVA accept the suggestion for Alberta Metis Nation to present on Askiy Fish Health Community Monitor Program at this year's conference.

CARRIED

H. Discussion/Approval – 2025 Conference Tag Lines

The COC informed the Board of the tag lines that were discussed and agreed upon at the March 5th COC meeting. The Board was asked to share their thoughts on which tag line would ASVA like for this year's conference. Discussions ensued.

Res. 25-25

Moved by Brian Waterhouse that ASVA approve "Facing the Future" as the 2025 conference tag line.

CARRIED

9. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- A. Action List – Reviewed as Information**
- B. Alberta Municipal Affairs – Budget 2025**
- C. ASVA Elections Training – Summer Villages of Lac Ste. Anne County East**

Res. 25-26

Moved by Kathy Dion that Items 9 A-C, be accepted as information.

CARRIED

10. Internal Reports & Committee Reports

- A. President's Report** – circulated with agenda
- B. Executive Director's Report** – circulated with agenda

Res. 25-27

Moved by Curtis Schoepp that Items 10A-B be accepted as information.

CARRIED

11. External Meetings and Reports

Appointment of Directors to Vacant Portfolios (defer until new Board members)

- A. ABmunis – **Ren** – Verbal
- B. ALMS – Vacant
- C. Aquatic Invasive Species – Alberta Government – Vacant
- D. Lake Stewardship/AIS – Vacant
- E. Decibel Coalition – **Brian** - attached
- F. Alberta Water Council (AWC) – **Brian** (Nothing to report at this time)
- G. Pigeon Lake Watershed Assoc. – **Brian** (Nothing to report at this time)
- H. Municipal Sustainability Strategy Advisory Committee (MSSAC) – **Kathy** (report submitted)
- I. LILSA – **Ren**
- J. SVLSAC – **Ren**
- K. FIRESMART – **Ren**
- L. Forest Resource Improvement – Vacant
- M. AB Municipal Water & Wastewater Program (Grants) – **Mike**
- N. Water for Life (Grants) – **Mike**
- O. WPAC – Athabasca – **Curtis**

- P. WPAC – Wabamun – Rob
- Q. AB Invasive Species Council (AISC) – Marlene
- R. MCCAC -Vacant

Res. 25-28

Moved by Marlene Walsh that the external meeting and reports be accepted as information.

CARRIED

12. ROUND TABLE

Mike – Half Moon Bay

- Working on LUB with MPS
- Half Moon Bay received a \$940,000 grant to move the wastewater to Red Deer

Rob – Betula Beach

- Working on LUB with MPS – been a long process
- Lots of fishermen out on the lake

Brian – Sundance Beach

- Quiet at Sundance Beach, just getting through the frozen culvert season;
- At the April 1 Alliance of Pigeon Lake Municipalities (APLM) meeting, Ian Rawlinson the Chair arranged for Lindsay Sellinger, Senior Investigator for the Ombudsman's office to do a presentation about items council can have in place to proactively deal with, how to handle social media, complaints, harassment and so forth.

Julie – Jarvis Bay

- Working on LUB
- Getting ready for the Election

Curtis – Whispering Hills

- Radon testing performed on his cabin and shop, low levels
- Tourism on the Lake – tourists do not read posted signs

Ren – West Cove

- Received a Fortis grant for a defibrillator

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- Getting together with a couple of Summer Villages to do an in-person presentation to encourage residents to run for Council
- ABmunis is sponsoring several webinars – What it means to Run for Council. First one April 23, and Ren is presenting

Marlene – SV Val Quentin

- Audit Underway
- Review Strategic Plan Review and update to establish priorities for 2025
- Tax Roll - Education Tax increase
- LUB Review underway
- Water Feasibility Study progressing nicely
- Elections work is underway
- Bylaw Updates
- Picnic In the Park Planning underway
- Our first major sponsor has confirmed - thank you FORTIS

Ian – Crystal Springs

- Working on finishing up some bylaws before the election
- Focusing on the election

Kim – Island Lake South

Larkspur

Bondiss

Sunset Beach

Whispering Hills

- Nothing to report

Kathy- Val Quentin

- Nothing to report

13. ADJOURNMENT

The April 07, 2025, ASVA board meeting adjourned at the hour of 8:24pm.

14. NEXT MEETING: June 19, 2025 – In Person – Wyndham Edmonton Hotel and Conference Center