

ASSOCIATION OF SUMMER VILLAGES OF ALBERTA
BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2019
6:20 pm, Royal Executive Inn, Leduc, Alberta



ATTENDANCE: President Mike Pashak, Rob Dickie, Peter Pellatt, Leslie Ellis, Morris Nesdole, Brenda Shewaga, Marlene Walsh, Teresa Beets, Gary Burns, Dennis Evans, Pete Langelle

REGRETS: Duncan Binder

RECORDING: Deb Hamilton, Executive Director

DELEGATION: Cory Nahirniak, Alberta Environment & Parks

1. Call to Order

President Mike Pashak called the meeting to order at 6:20 pm.

2. Deletions & Additions to the Agenda

President Mike Pashak added the following to the agenda:

- 7. i) AUMA Board of Directors – V.P. of Villages and Summer Villages
- 7. j) Ice Huts

3. Approval of the Agenda

Res. 19-29

Moved by Gary Burns that the agenda be approved with additions.

Carried

4. Delegations – Cory Nahirniak, AEP - 6:25 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

The following information was discussed:

- Cory is a Land Management Specialist
- Looks after bed and shore
- He is field personnel looking after applications relative to their completeness and merit
- Is Director of TFA's
- Do not have the staff to review all the TFA's if everyone registered their docks as there could be 1000's
- The Disturbance Standards are in final draft form and ready to go to public consultation
- Mooring Standards are in final draft form and ready to go

5. Minutes – May 27, 2019 Meeting

a. **Res. 19-30**

Moved by Morris Nesdole that the July 15, 2019 Board of Director Meeting minutes be approved as circulated.

Carried

6. Financial Reports

- a. **Quarterly Report: Year To Date – August 31, 2019:** Treasurer Rob Dickie reported that the budget is close to being on track with revenues and expenditures, both just under 50%. Once the conference revenues and expenditures are incorporated after the October conference, the financials will be more in line with the budget for the time of the year.

Res. 19-31

Moved by Treasurer Rob Dickie that the financial report for the month ending August 31, 2019, be accepted as information.

Carried

7. New Business

a. Update on Meetings with Municipal Affairs and Alberta Environment & Parks Ministers

Mike Pashak advised that Board that he and the Executive Director had met with Minister Kaycee Madu on September 23rd at the legislature building. Mike advised that he provided the Minister with an overview of what Summer Villages are and who and what they represent, their efficiencies and their collaborative relationship with their neighbor counties. The two main topics of discussion was the viability of Summer Villages and MSI funding. Mike provided recommendations on how to equalize the funding so Summer Villages are able to get the same funding level as all the other municipalities.

Mike further advised that the meeting with the Minister of Alberta Environment and Parks was postponed to later this week at the AUMA conference.

b. ASVA Lifetime Membership Policy

Res 19-32

Moved by Peter Pellatt that the Lifetime Membership Award Policy be approved.

CARRIED

c. ASVA Lifetime Member Nomination 2019:

No nominations were received for 2019.

d. Policy Funding Formula

This item was postponed to later in the meeting during the conference discussions.

e. GST – Peace River Case – Intermunicipal Agreements

The Board briefly discussed the Peace River GST case relative to intermunicipal agreements. This item is one of the resolutions to be tabled at the AUMA conference later this week. The Board discussed the need to support the resolution.

f. Emergent Resolution from the Board for the Annual AGM in October

The Board was advised that there were no resolutions submitted for the annual general meeting in October. The Board decided, at this time, not to bring any emergent resolutions forward.

g. Winter Workshops

The Executive Director advised the Board that Michael Solowan from Brownlee LLP has offered to facilitate a workshop free of charge. She also advised that Jane Daughine of Municipal Planning Services had offered the same, in the area of planning and development. The Executive Director suggested that a workshop be organized for spring 2020 with both to present. The Board

recommended that the Executive Director proceed with looking into organizing a workshop in 2020.

h. Board Picture

A Board picture was taken for publication on the website and for the upcoming annual conference.

i. AUMA Board of Directors – V.P of Villages and Summer Villages

The Board was advised that two AUMA Board members have put their names forth for the role of Vice President of Villages and Summer Villages: Deputy Mayor Angela Duncan from the Village of Alberta Beach and Mayor Bruce McLeod from the Village of Acme. Further discussions took place regarding the candidates and who might be more familiar with summer villages.

j. Ice Huts

Morris Nesdole updated the board relative to information he obtained on Ice Huts from his attendance at the Alberta Lake Management Society meeting held in Chestermere. He advised that some communities have a voluntary registration process in place and most felt registrations should be officially regulated. He advised that Manitoba and Saskatchewan suggested that Ice Huts be taken off in March to avoid potential issues with an early spring thaw. President Pashak advised that Ice Huts is on the agenda for the meeting with the Minister of Environment and Parks.

8. Review of Action Items – Reviewed as information.

Leslie Ellis excused herself, and left the meeting.

9. Committee Reports

- a. AUMA Infrastructure and Energy Committee – Mike Pashak reported that he had not attended a meeting since the last ASVA Board meeting.
- b. AUMA Board – Peter Pellatt reported the Western Financial Group (WFG) provides insurance for the Alberta Hotel and Lodging Association and that because the group formed enough of an aggregate, WFG put together an insurance package that was much more reasonable than what was provided to this association membership through other providers. He stated that there are challenges facing property owners in villages and summer villages because of fire protection. Most do not have their own fire hall in the community thus the response time is more of a challenge and that this was one of the areas insurance companies look at. He advised that insurance has increased as much as 25% for some because of this, others community areas saw only a 2% increase. He further advised to communicate a message to AUMA that this insurance should be looked into. Peter suggested that the ASVA could help to spread the word.
- c. Lake Stewardship / AIS – Marlene Walsh/ Brenda Shewaga – Marlene advised that the province continues to actively monitor watercraft coming in from other provinces. There are currently 8 inspection stations. 19 mussel-fouled watercraft were intercepted, mostly coming from eastern Canada. The committee is also discussing various species of invasive plants.

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- d. MSSAC – Dennis Evans reported that the committee recently went through a viability update. There was also an update on the grant review and reporting requirements.
- e. AWC – Morris Nesdole reported that there are two committees and one is on the Water for Life component. The subcommittee was just formulated and will be reviewing the Lake Stewardship Guide. One thing pointed out is that the Guide should be on-line.
- f. ASVA Conference Organizing Committee – Rob Dickie presented a report from the Conference Organizing Committee:
 - i) Everything is pretty much in place and on schedule
 - o Sponsorship is down
 - o The speakers are all lined up except for one spot that is now open as the DM of Municipal Affairs has had to cancel. Committee is suggesting Jerry Haekel from AEP come and talk about the new regs on Docks and Boat Mooring and TFA's. The Board agreed and President Pashak suggested that if Jerry is not approved to come, he would fill in with a presentation. CAO session on Friday is all confirmed as well.
 - o Advised that the committee decided to provide a donation to a not-for-profit in lieu of speaker gifts. Discussions took place on which not-for-profit.
 - o Fundraising will just be the silent auction this year
 - o Banquet and program details are finalized
 - o There are no resolutions received by the deadline for the AGM

Police Funding:

Discussions took place regarding the proposed police funding formula. Concern was raised as to why AUMA appears to support the formula and that this should be a topic brought forth at the ASVA Conference. The Executive Director advised that because there were no resolutions brought forward from the membership by the deadline, the board could bring forth an emergent resolution provided that there was enough time to circulate it to the membership prior to the AGM. President Pashak suggested that this could be a topic to be discussed at the ASVA Advocacy Panel Discussion segment of the conference where the President, Vice President and Treasurer will provide information on some of the advocacy items the board has undertaken and where they will take questions and concerns from the floor. Additionally, there is opportunity for the delegates to communicate concerns at the AGM. It was noted that the province is still undertaking consultation with municipalities.

- ii) Director/ED tasks for the conference was decided:
 - o MC/Time Mgr. - Mike
 - o Hotel Liaison - Deb
 - o Sponsors - Deb
 - o Speakers - Deb
 - o Signs on Doors - Deb
 - o Registration Desk (Thursday only): 7:15 – 8:00 - Peter & Pete
8:00 – 8:30 - Rob & Gary
 - o IT/PPT Loading - Deb
 - o Table Set up – Hotel doing – Only one reserved table needed at front

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- Greeting of Ministers – Duncan to meet them when coming in, Mike to introduce Madu, Duncan to introduce Nixon
 - AGM
 - Chair – Mike
 - Treasurer – Rob
 - Recording Secretary - Deb
 - Banquet Registration: 5:45 – 6:30 – Leslie & Teresa
 - Grace – Leslie or Peter
 - Award Presenters – Mike/Duncan
 - Silent Auction – Mike and Marlene
 - Clean Up Friday – Deb with a bit of help?
- iii) Registration Update: Deb Hamilton advised that it is difficult to know if registrations are the same as last year as there is still a few weeks to go before registration closes. One MLA has confirmed (Shane Getson) and one rep from AUMA. Again, there may be more from other associations in the coming weeks. A reminder was sent out on September 23rd to all summer villages, neighbor counties, special guests, relevant MLA's and sister associations.
- The Board requested that MLA Shane Getson be asked to speak at the banquet, topic: his experience on his first 100 days as an MLA.
- iv) Annual Report – Deb Hamilton presented the draft Annual Report to the Board. There are still a few areas to fill in like the President and ED reports.
- v) Power Point – Deb Hamilton went through the Welcome and Recognition PPT with the Board
- vi) AGM – Deb Hamilton went through the AGM agenda with the Board. It is quite short as there are no resolutions. There may be discussions from the floor.
- vii) MacIntosh Bulrush Award – Two Nominations were received: Baptiste & Island Lakes Stewardship (BAILS) and Lake Isle & Lac Ste Anne Water Quality Management Society (LILSA)

Res 19-33

Moved by Rob Dickie that the 2019 McIntosh Bulrush Award be presented to the Baptiste & Island Lakes Stewardship.

- g. Executive Director Report – reviewed as information

10. Correspondence – attached to agenda

11. Round Table:

Dennis Evans: still working on the culvert installation program at the summer village

Morris Nesdole: looking at recreation trailer placement in their Land Use Bylaw, suggesting that they be prohibited on lake shore property

Marlene Walsh: Working with AEMA on emergency management in the region

Pete Langelle: wastewater system project still going on at the summer village

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Teresa Beets: the wastewater line from Red Deer to Sylvan Lake has been commissioned and some summer villages will be connecting

Gary Burns: ICF pretty much complete in their area; have engaged a consultant to look at drainage in the summer village; LUB has received second reading

Brenda Shewaga: having drainage issues, already hooked in to the waste management system.

Peter Pellatt: have been traveling a great deal

Mike Pashak – busy getting information put together for the meetings with the Ministers, in the final stages of hiring a new CAO for their group of 5 summer villages

12. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.