

**Organized Hamlet of Hitchcock Bay
Annual General Meeting
July 7, 2012
Birsay Hall**

70 Registered Voters

RM Reeve Clayton Ylioja, Councillors: Randy Ames, Ian Pajunen, John Peters, Curtiss Knight (also a registered voter); Administrator Linda Van Den Bosch

1. Call to order 10:00

2. Explanation of Change of Order of Business – Chair Velma Corbett described the two options which were worked out with Colleen Christopherson, Municipal Advisor regarding the election process for later in the meeting.

- a. We could declare the Hamlet Board as had been determined at the first meeting of the Development Board in 2012 as our Board. This would result in one position being open and filled for a three year term.
- b. We could conduct an election for all three members. One position would be a three year term; one position would be a two year term; one position would be a one year term. This protocol will be followed for this meeting **ONLY** in order to establish the Organized Hamlet Board with only one position coming up for election yearly in forthcoming years unless a member of the board resigns before they have completed their three year term. In 2013, the one year term will be open for a three year term, in 2014 the two year term will be open for a three year term, in 2015 the three year term will be open for a three year term. This complies with the Organized Hamlet legislation which states that members are elected for a three year term.

The minutes of the July 2011 AGM have been changed to separate the Organized Hamlet Business from the Hitchcock Bay Development Corporation.

3. Adoption of the Agenda – Question if any additions to the agenda. Velma Corbett moved the adoption of the agenda. Carrie Knight seconded. Carried

4. Motion

a. Organized Hamlet Board Election process (See Guide to Organized Hamlets in Saskatchewan) Moved by Carrie Knight, seconded by Kerri Cole that we run 3 separate elections at this meeting for the three positions. Carried

b. Development Corporation an advisory committee to the Hamlet Board. Moved by Carrie Knight, seconded by Sandy Husky that the Hitchcock Bay Development Corporation Board be an advisory board to the Organized Hamlet Board. Carried.

5. Minutes of AGM 2011 – Maxine Harriman moved, seconded by Jane Wallace that the minutes be adopted as presented. Carried.

6. Hamlet Business Arising from the Minutes

Vince Crawford reported that there is no disease in the trees; the stress noted is a naturally occurring event with these trees.

Vince Crawford asked the Board to revisit the concept of an ATV course; liability is an issue whether something happens on the road or the course.

7. Report From the Chair

Velma Corbett included a report in the handout which outlined the progress the Board had made in the past year. She presented Edie Reucker and Patti Forrest (not present) with a gift of Rider

lures on behalf of the Organized Hamlet for all of their work with three facets of the hamlet: Meet and Greet and Recycling program as part Cook Shack Fund Raising and the Boat Launch Fees.

Joanne Huck was drawn for the third set of lures as the door prize.

8. Financial Report of the Organized Hamlet of Hitchcock Bay

Benita McNeill spoke to the fact that the Board has not felt that we have received enough information to be comfortable with all of the numbers in the Financials Statement presented by the RM of Coteau. The Organized Hamlet Board at their June 14 meeting passed a motion to request a forensic audit of their portion of the RM financials. They met with the RM on June 25 to request the audit and are sharing this request with the voters at this meeting.

Benita McNeill made the motion that we NOT accept the financials as presented. Keith Swenson seconded. Carried

Carrie Knight asked Randy Ames to request the monthly bills on our behalf each month as he is our RM Rep.

9. Reports:

a. RM

As noted above, we had a contingent from the RM present. Velma Corbett asked the Reeve to introduce those present. The Reeve reported that the RM was increased the retained portion of the taxes for RM business from 25% to 40% for upgrading roads leading into the subdivision and for equipment upkeep. He also reported that there will be a mill rate increase in our taxes this year.

The RM will deal with the Hamlet request for an audit at their July meeting.

b. Water Report

Kerri Cole was recognized as the new certified water operator.

c. Campground Report

The development of Rules and Regulations for the Seasonal campers and an increase in rates for 2013-2014 season was reported. We have 17 sites filled and four people on a waiting list.

d. Outside Irrigation Report

Milt Harriman reported that as soon as Sask Power puts in the new pole, Marlo will complete the trenching. We then await permission from provincial regulatory bodies to draw water from the lake. We will proceed as quickly as possible.

e. Waste Management Report

Discussion about grass clippings, leaves and trees branch disposal led to a motion by Vince Crawford, seconded by Terry Bell that we install a chain link compound with a large opening gate for easy access which will be manned for a few hours each weekend. Carried. Two opposed. (James Verwimp, Milt Harriman) The gathered material will be hauled, burned or chipped.

Discussion regarding options for effluent disposal were then discussed and left to the Board to explore further. The Organized Hamlet has a deadline for making a decision and may call a special meeting to present options.

10. Organized Hamlet of Hitchcock Bay Elections

Rod Sieffert agreed to run the elections. Randy Ames was the scrutineer. Velma Corbett was elected for a three year term; Benita McNeill for a two year term; Milt Harriman for a one year term. Velma Corbett moved, seconded by Dean Corbett that the ballots be destroyed. Carried. Randy Ames destroyed the sheet.

11. New Business

a. Strategic Planning Meeting: Board, Committees, At Large

Motion by Keith Swenson, seconded by Shaun Ross that we convene a meeting to set a five year plan for the Organized Hamlet. Carried. Members at large were invited to share their names at the end of the meeting and will be invited when the date is set.

b. Maintenance Supervisor for Organized Hamlet of Hitchcock Bay

Moved by Dan Husky, seconded by Keith Swenson that the Board set an honorarium for Milt Harriman as Maintenance Supervisor for the Organized Hamlet. Carried.

c. Honorariums

Moved by Vince Crawford, seconded by Rod Sieffert that honorariums be set the same as the RM rates. Carried

d. Wages

Moved by Keith Swenson, seconded by Rod Sieffert that the Board set the employee wages. Carried

e. Other

A map with named sites will be prepared and put on web site and at bulletin Board site.

Vince Crawford requested that we make sure we put washrooms at the new children's playground. He also expressed concern about the placement of the cook shack. The decisions about this will be conducted as part of the strategic planning.

We were advised that there is a Hamlet facebook. Carrie Knight made a motion asked to have someone take over the website. Aaron Spence volunteered. The motion was not seconded or carried.

Question regarding Bylaw enforcement. The bylaws are RM bylaws so the RM enforces them. It was decided that complaints would be sent to RM, copied to the Hamlet Board.

12. Set date for 2013 AGM

Moved by Carrie Knight, seconded by Vince Crawford that the 2013 Annual general Meeting be held on July 13, 2013. Carried.

Meeting was declared closed.

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