

## Evergreen Acres Fall Meeting Aug. 30 10am, Ken Busch Garage

25 residents present

1. Chair Corey called meeting to order at 10am
2. Additions to the Agenda
3. Minutes of AGM '25
4. **Old Business:**
  - Bea will send link for residents to review lake studies being done by Rm.  
<https://www.wallaceinsights.com/turtlelakestudy>
  - Floating Dock: Brad investigated floating dock and a more reasonably priced one was found thru Princess Auto. Brad will purchase this fall for hamlet.
  - Lagoon Update: No spring pump out was required as there was no ground water seeping in. Cell one has just begun transferring to cell 2 in the past week. Mitchells will be coming to tend to reeds around cells and damage the beavers have caused. Beavers have caused havoc this summer, 12 beavers have been caught. Mitchells will fill the dens the beavers have created and will top edges will clay if required. Removing all reeds helps with air flow and that is what is required for the lagoon to operate at its best. Brad spoke on the absolute need of a rough cut mower. He feels there is too much potential of damage to occur if we utilize privately owned mowers. The rough cut mower would be used in lagoon area and golf area if required.

**Motion:** Rob Kohuch made a motion that Evergreen Acres purchase a pull behind rough cut mower to maintain lagoon, ditches, dump. Quotes be submitted to board and residents, with board making decision of which to purchase.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Stan Bergen

### **All in Favor**

- Curb Stop: no followup
- Review by Rm concerning the speeding on the grid, No report

### **5. New Business:**

- Beaver Control: damage was done to aeration pumps by beavers. One was completely damaged (power cord). The second pump is able to be fixed (big thanks to Craig and Tracey for transporting it to Camrose). The end result is an approx... Cost of \$7000 to repair all the damage done to pumps. Brad will have Mitchells deal with any dens that have been created by beavers at the golf dugout. With filling of the dens we are hoping the beavers won't come back and make it their home next year.
- Utility Reserve: Corey has dealt with allocating monies to our Utility Reserve, We have plans to allocate, 80,000 to our utility reserve.

- Sask Power has contacted us concerning burying of power lines. Corey is awaiting actual cost of doing this for Evergreen Acres.
- Residents were asked to bring forward their ideas for out 5 year spending plan:
  - a) Burying power lines perhaps start with shortest cul-de-sac and see how it goes ((email submission)
  - b) Add more cement pads at boat launch
  - c) Bury power lines
  - d) Community fire pit at beach area
  - e) Sport Court/Basket ball court
  - f) Adding buoys to restrict boat speeds to deeper waters
  - g) Paving at boat launch and road to launch.
  - h) Artificial turf added to greens instead of sand.
  - i) Not removing power lines, but removing trees and replacing the trees with dwarf trees and shrubs to maintain plant life. Alternative to huge cost of burying power lines. ( email submission)
  
- Dead Trees: There are many dead trees on crown land. Board will contact RM concerning dealing with those.

**Round Table:**

Bonnie Sheir: Would residents be interested in a community garage sale.

Joan Thompson: Big thankyou to all

Kevin Heisler: would like speed sign moved south with signage to 30 mph on both ways.

Lake Survey email (included in minutes, also available on RM of Mervin website)

Donna Ettles: any chance AGM could be held on Sundays as Saturdays are busy with dock installs.

John Somers, power lines fires, residents are encouraged to take photos and report asap to Sask. power. There are been a couple line fires that self-extinguished. But hopefully Sask. power will be dealing with trees (loping off) so there isn't a chance of fire.

Gerry Olson: Recycling is great, board will contact RM and have recycling pickup increased to 2 times a month pickup from May 1- Sept 30 and once a month from Oct 1 to April 30.

Stan Bergen: concerned about fire safety. Corey mentioned boards are encouraged by RM to meet with fire chiefs and develop a plan.

Crystal Wagar: could Evergreen Acres have a mass text alerting system, to alert residents of issues that may be time sensitive. Crystal will look into and let board know of systems out there we may be able to subscribe to.

Brad Caplan: big thank you to all the work done by volunteers at Evergreen Acres.

To Noel and Ken for the many many loads of sea weed removed this year, along with tending to beach and garbages there. To those tending to the golf course it looks pristine, big thank you.

Corey Reiss -water plant is working great. Rick Mathews has been working on flow testing and dealing with filters, The surge tanks has worked great and we had no water restrictions needed this year.

- Signage for entrance to Evergreen Acres is looking tired and board will work with some residents to either preserve or create new one as current one is looking tired and need a face lift or replacement. The old one could perhaps be placed at an alternate location.

-Corey spoke on voting protocol. Clarification on voting is each property owner and spouse can vote.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 by Stan Bergen