

# **Minutes For Sunset View Beach Hamlet Annual General Meeting**

## **Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Present: Sign in list attached**

**Special Guests: RM of Mervin – Shiloh Bronken, Paige Hundt, Gerry Ritz, Ken Hergott RV of Turtle View – Troy Johnson, Jim Glasrud**

### **Agenda:**

**The general order of business of every board meeting shall be as follows:**

1. Call to order: The meeting is called to order at 13:37
  - Format for the AGM will be a bit different from previous years to abide by the legislation. According to policy if any person wishes to speak on matters on or not on the agenda they must make a formal written request prior to the agenda deadline. Being that we did not get the agenda out in an appropriate timeframe prior to the AGM we will be allowing some question time near the end of the meeting. It will have to be as time permits to keep the meeting to an appropriate timeline.
  - We will do our best to set an appropriate deadline for next year's AGM to allow time for people to submit their request for delegation.
  - Another change to the format of the meeting is that the AGM meeting minutes will no longer show discussions; only motions that are brought forward.

We would like to acknowledge some special guests that we have attending our AGM this year:

- i. RM of Mervin – Shiloh Bronken, Paige Hundt, Gerry Ritz, Ken Hergott
- ii. RV of Turtle View – Troy Johnson, Jim Glasrud

e) We would like to say thank you to all our volunteers that help keep everything moving throughout the year. Your hard work and selflessness does not go unnoticed. To everyone that helps with all of the following:

- The library
- Park and playground
- Utility board
- Website
- Outdoor rink
- Dock installation and removal
- Buoys and swim platform installation and removal and everything else that is completed within our Hamlet

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f) Also a big thank you to our maintenance man, Adam Court for helping to maintain this piece of paradise.

### **2. Conflict of interest declarations?**

None

### **3. Agenda:**

- a. Motion to adopt the agenda made by Sheldon Hood
- b. Motion seconded by Teresa Lavigne
- c. Motion Carried

### **4. Minutes of last AGM meeting held on May 19, 2024:**

- a. Motion to adopt minutes made by Kelly Nickel
- b. Motion seconded by Roxanne Short
- c. Motion Carried

### **5. Delegations:**

- a. Robert and Eric Mitchell: Robert presented that they had purchased a block of land to the south of the park and they would like to develop 6 lots on that section of land with some development to the back of the block of land to be used as storage. There was a map left for meeting attendees to look at and Robert Mitchell asked that if anyone has any questions to please contact them.

### **6. Old Business:**

#### **a) Report of Activities for 2024**

- i. Budget review: The 2024 budget showed a deficit of \$15,000.00. Actuals came out with a deficit of \$8900.00 which was mostly due to the added revenue from interest payments. There has been a lot of work done by the Hamlet Board to get expenses put into the proper GL buckets for future budgeting which is why there are some actuals showing expenses but nothing had been budgeted for them. The changes being made should make future budgeting easier and more accurate.
- ii. New Waste Disposal Contractor: Last year the Hamlet switched to WYWRA for waste disposal. The actual cost came in at about \$3500.00 less than the previous waste removal company. The Hamlet Board did make the mistake of not switching to bi-weekly pickups instead of weekly until we were well into the winter. We also only locked down two bins instead of 3 for the winter. This next winter we will make more of an effort to remember to lock up three bins and go to bi-weekly pickups which will reduce costs even more.

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- iii. Adoption of policies and procedures for the Hamlet: There were some new policies and procedures developed for the Hamlet that align with new legislation. These policies and procedures have been approved by the RM and will be uploaded to the website.
- iv. Portable washroom pilot: There were a lot of different conversations regarding the location of a washroom for the south beach. After weighing safety, convenience and costs it was decided to trial the trailer washroom at the office. The location trial was successful, so it was decided to convert the office washroom to have an outside access door for significant cost savings of building a public washroom. This washroom is meant for beach goers and is equipped with an automatic locking external door. The access door will be open daily from 9:00am-6:30pm beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> and will not be accessible after the September long weekend. The library is not accessible through the external washroom door and it will not affect the hours of the library.
- v. Wake zone buoys: Four additional buoys were ordered which should cover the majority of the shoreline along Sunset View. There were solar lights ordered and they will be installed on the buoys for nighttime vision. There was also a new swim platform ordered for the South beach as the one that was there had holes in it. We will need volunteers to install both the wake zone and swimming buoys, as well as the swim platforms.
- vi. Dock extensions: Dock extensions were purchased and installed on both docks last year.
- vii. New snow removal contractor: The Hamlet Board contracted Dave Lohendorf to do snow removal last winter. There was one time when the RM came in to do snow removal where the local contractor was not available.
- viii. Community Court Project: Darryl Greening reported that the project is well underway, and the court should be ready for use in July.
- ix. Tax Allocation: Historically the tax allocation has been split with the RM of Mervin receiving 60% of our taxes and the Hamlet receiving 40% of the taxes. There was a committee put together that worked with the RM of Mervin to change this. The Hamlet will now receive 50% of their taxes as well as the interest from the reserve amount. This change is contingent with the Hamlet providing a 5-year capital plan to the RM of Mervin. This 5-year capital plan is fluid and can change regularly.
- x. 5-Year Capital Plan: This was an initial plan and will continue to evolve. It includes;
  - Emergency egress development – We will need assistance from the RM of Mervin to complete this project
  - Drainage on Kenderdine North – Looking to have completed in 2026
  - South Beach Parking – Budgeted for 2025
  - Public Washrooms – Will be moving forward with estimates for a washroom at the park

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- Community Court development – will be completed in 2025
- Maintenance of Hamlet – Budget of \$10K to \$12K per year
- Road Maintenance - \$18K to \$23K per year

Please note that costs associated with things like the parking and washroom were ballpark figures and are not fixed costs.

### 7. Communication:

#### a) Golf carts and ATV reminder:

- i. Remember to get your golf cart registered with the RM of Mervin.
- ii. Being that 2024 was the first year for the new legislated requirement they were a bit lax on the rules. This year there will be fines issued for nonregistered golf carts.
- iii. Also there will be fines for persons underage driving golf carts, ATVs and UTVs.

#### b) CSO duties and dispatch line:

- i. RM of Mervin has CSO for 100 to 110 hours per week.
- ii. For immediate concerns please contact the dispatch line at 1-306-845-3512
- iii. Gerry Ritz was able to answer that ATVs have been added to the provincial legislation for fire bans and they are not to be used during a fire ban.

#### c) Amalgamation committee:

Darryl Greening spoke about the consideration of a boundary change for Sunset View Beach and how that came about. Recognizing the importance of an informed decision, there was a committee of 6 people who had worked to complete a comparison document that would give a picture of what belonging to either the RM of Mervin or the Resort Village of Turtle View would look like. The committee consisted of Darryl Greening, Darrell Oracheski, John Moore, Arvid Eskleson, Michael Smith, and Blair Debruyn. There was an opportunity for AGM attendees to express concerns or questions. There were concerns brought forward regarding the water plant, the cost for lagoon upgrades at Turtle View, what would happen with our current reserve money and rules around development at the Resort Village of Turtle View.

There was then an opportunity for attendees to vote whether they were in favor of moving forward to a boundary change or not to proceed with the next steps of a boundary change.

The vote was:           117 persons against proceeding  
                                  13 persons to proceed

The Sunset View Beach Hamlet will **NOT** be proceeding with any boundary changes to the Resort Village of Turtle View.

### 8. Financial Statement:

- a) Review 2025 financial budget - Budget coming in just in the black; Budget was completed prior to the decision on tax allocation. This will increase our revenue

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this year which will likely go towards some of the projects on the 5-year capital plan for this year.

b) Motion to approve the 2025 made by Dustin Garrett

c) Seconded by Nicole Lalonde

### **9. New Business:**

a) Fireworks on August Long Weekend: Rhonda Bartlett made a motion that the Hamlet donate \$3000.00 toward the fireworks display for August long weekend.

Voted on with a show of hands, Motion passed with the condition of having liability insurance and a license to do fireworks held by those setting them off. It was also asked that we be aware that there are boats parked in that area so please watch for those when setting off fireworks.

b) Rhonda brought up the idea of paying a stipend of one hundred dollars per meeting and mileage for our Hamlet Board members. After some concerns brought forward it was decided that we would leave that for now.

c) Lakeshore and Watershed Management Study: There is a study currently being done which involves the RM of Mervin, RV Kivimaa-Moonlight, RV Turtle View, and Thunderchild First Nation. The study is to create a science-based, community-informed report that supports sustainable use and long-term stewardship of the lake and surrounding areas. The study is being carried out over 12-16 months with the final report expected Spring 2026. The study will:

- Monitor the health of Turtle Lake
- Gather knowledge from local people
- Provide clear guidance for future development
- Support municipalities

What can you do?

- Visit webpage launching this weekend
- Attend in-person information café's
- Watch for updates via social media

d) Volunteers for Community Planning;

There has been suggestions from residents that it would be nice to have something for our Hamlet to celebrate July 1<sup>st</sup> as other resorts do. We are looking for volunteers to put something together. If you wish to volunteer for this please let a board member know.

e) Open floor/questions:

- i. A concern was brought forward about some drainage issues on Wawaskasiw Lane
- ii. A resident voiced that he wants to be sure that we put as much value on undeveloped areas as we do on development. There is value in not developing public reserves.
- iii. There was a concern brought forward about the Hamlet Board not giving the Utility Board \$50,000.00 per year from our reserves. This is something that needs to be discussed between the two boards.

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- f) Nominations for Rhonda's board position. No nominations brought forward. Carol Deyenberg nominated Rhonda to remain on the board. Rhonda accepted for one year. Carried.

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### **10. Old Business Discussion**

- a. Review 2024 Budget
- b. New Waste disposal contractor
- c. Adoption of policies and procedures for the Hamlet
- d. Portable washroom pilot
- e. Wake zone buoys
- f. Dock extension purchased and installed
- g. New snow removal contractor
- h. Community Court Project
- i. Emergency Exit project ongoing
- j. Tax Allocation
- k. 5-year Capital Plan
- l. Golf Carts and ATV's reminder
- m. Update from Amalgamation Committee
- n. Comments/Questions regarding old business (2 min/person depending on time allotment)

### **11. Financial Statement**

- a. Review 2025 financial budget
  - i. Motion to approve by:
  - ii. Seconded by:

### **12. New Business**

- a. Fireworks display August long weekend
- b. CSO duties and dispatch line
- c. Mileage and stipend for board members
- d. Lakeshore and Watershed Management Study
- e. Volunteers for community planning – July 1<sup>st</sup> celebrations, etc.
- f. Open floor questions – 2 min/person depending on time allowed
- g. Nominations for vacant board position

### **13. Election**

### **14. Adjournment**