

Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock

Board Meeting

September 10th, 2019

8:00pm

Attendance: Lloyd Ludwig, Donna Woods, Melissa Heney,

- 1. Welcome & Introductions:** Meeting commenced 8:05PM
- 2. Opening Remarks from the Chairman:** Review & update of last meeting minutes & minutes of Town meeting August 18th 2019. Discussion regarding Judicial reviews now proceeding through the courts.

New business:

- Mediation with the RM of Wilton has been put on hold with no dates set in future.
- We haven't been receiving the RM of Wiltons Minutes as to the agreed Resolution process in mediation
- No meaningful conversations have taken place between RM of Wilton Council or Administration & Hamlet Board as to 346 Municipalities Act Notice so motion for next steps.
- A further discussion with area farmers & Government consensus seems positive on financial audit petition or plebiscite as well as self-government motion for next steps.
- Video for Lone Rock is going ahead.
- October Halloween Dance
- Bake sale & fall supper

- 3. Government Correspondence:** Received many follow up replies from various Government agencies there has been some changes in leadership & have replied with summaries of what has been happening with the Hamlet & RM

Will follow procedures outlined for next steps & will make sure they are also informed as proceeding.

Letters sent to ministries informing of judicial review in progress regarding Hamlet Budget & other matters. Further consultation with Municipal Advisor.

New business: Discussion as to letters sent to Ombudsman. Will forward formal letter to Attorney General as per request.

4. **In Camera Session:** Legal discussion
5. **SK Water Security Agency:** Discussion resumed on requirements provided by Sask water, Department of Health & Municipal Board as to Water & sewer as well as update letter replying to Sask environment on increasing water just outside the south end of the Hamlet send the RM of Wilton notification correspondence & will follow up further.
6. **Rates on Well & Sewage Conversions:** Discussion Issue as to the Monthly Utility Bills for water /sewer formalizing that it remain as part of annual tax billing this is presently before the courts in our Judicial review. Further inquiry into Septic pump outs as allotted in previous years taxes. Formal letter will be sent to minister & RM as Septic pump out was included in previous year's taxes but not done will also raise issue in court if not completed.
7. **Tax Rates:** Discussion the Hamlet Board has still not received the information that was agreed to by RM Council in mediation but this issue has also been raised in court application so as they are required to provide to the court . We will then be able to also request complete 5 year financials Agree exemptions & other matters not being negotiated by the RM of Wilton may have to be forwarded to the Appeal Board if Self-governance hasn't formalized. Also review zoning within the petition as to movement to complete residential zoning throughout entire hamlet inclusive of all property within.
8. **Hamlet Communications:** Discussion of pending court as to the Appeal Board designate for the Organized Hamlet as well as that of the RM reply from Government is attempt a further negotiation & keep them informed also to advise the Ombudsman of this for review. Will also review recommendations for smaller precise issues. Freedom of Information follow up & letter regarding past 5 years financial information of RM agreed to in mediation
9. **In Camera Session:** Legal Discussion.
10. **RM Tractor & Hamlet Road Maintenance:** Still have not heard as to Hamlet tractor & portions of the road have had some maintenance but there are many areas that have deteriorated will submit letter to minister with the pictures & request review regarding liability & tax allotment.
11. **Street Lights:** A few more street lights have gone out will follow up with Sask Power to see what it is that they can do.
12. **Trees & Buildings:** Environmental problems persist with the buildings that were obtained by the RM with squatters being ushered out the other day & growth of people interested in what has happened taking a look which could also pose liability issues.
13. **Resolutions:**
 - (1) Minutes from August 18, 2019 adopted.
 - (2) Formal letter to be sent to RM of Wilton regarding Septic pumping
 - (3) Contact company about Septic pumping & have them bill the RM of Wilton to pump out all remaining septic tanks.

- (4) Provide all the information & letter to Taxpayer Federation for inquiry.
- (5) Contact Arbitrator in Saskatoon regarding 346 Notice to move to next steps.
- (6) Set October 10th as date for town meeting & plebiscite for self-government. Confirm wording of petition.
- (7) Formal letter to ministries regarding all judicial reviews & budget.
- (8) Follow up regarding Application by the Rural Municipality of Wilton to the Municipal Board for conversion & demolition within the Hamlet & if legislative steps were followed regarding Lone Rock Renewal Project.
- (9) That the water & sewer Utility remains within the yearly taxes as in previous years & reimbursement or credit be supplied to those that have already paid them.
- (10) Letter to Saskpower regarding street lights.
- (11) Send RM Wilton notice of South end water situation & forward to Sask water.

Resolutions are hereby voted on & unanimously passed.

14. Next Meeting: Next Hamlet community meeting to be determined by consensus.

15. Meeting Adjourned: 9:10PM