

**108 Mile Ranch Community Association
Annual General Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2021**

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm

Ingrid Meyer welcomed and thanked everyone for attending, RCA directors introduced themselves. Denny Fahrentholz (Treasurer), Dan Jackson, Cathy Squires (membership), Julie Redl (minutes) and Mark Redl

Absent: Donna White

There were approximately 13 members of the general public in attendance.

AGM Minutes from March 4, 2020 – available on the RCA Website at <https://108ranch.com>

Treasurer's Report & Appointment of Auditor – Denny Fahrentholz reported that MacAloney & Associates prepared unaudited Financial Statement as of August 31, 2020, copies are available for review. Bank balance \$26,382.00 total assets \$46,484.00. Denny Motion to accept report, Seconded – Mark, unanimous

President's Report – Ingrid Meyer read the report, welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for their cooperation to be able to have the AGM. Thanked Dan Jackson for taking charge of the Welcome Packages with the help of Carol and in the past Bev French, who has now moved.

Introductions

Harkamal Singh Maan – owner of 108 Supermarket & Shelan Tessaro – manager – were unable to attend meeting

Ross Donahue – 108 Mile Ranch Airport manager – He thanked Ingrid for inviting him to the meeting. He confirmed that he took over operations on December 1, 2020. He gave a brief report on the traffic with a slight increase in traffic for 2020 of 4550 to 2021 of 4564. There were 14 helicopters fighting the fires this summer. He is hoping to bring back "Airport Days" in the future.

Chris Haddad – 108 Volunteer Fire Department – Reported on the status of the callouts of approximately 133 this past year. Due to grant funds received they now have 2 fully equipped fire trucks. Reported on the maintenance on the Fire Hall and clearing of trees for better visibility. Also future study to upgrade safety, possible flashing light. Looking for more volunteers.

Committee Reports

Welcome Packages – Dan Jackson reported that welcome cards are at the post office. Unfortunately more cards are taken than they receive requests. Welcome packages are delivered to new residents that request one.

Memberships – Cathy Squires reported that she has recently taken over memberships. She reported there are currently 32 Business Members, this is up from 28 in 2020. There are 72 Regular Members who are in good standing. There were 92 regular members report at the 2020 AGM. Of the Regular Members, 45 are lifetime memberships. Due to covid there has not been a membership drive. She is looking for help with a membership drive in November at the 108 Mall.

Community Centre Bookings – Carol or Bruce Biedler – not in attendance - Ingrid read their report, which included 37 activities booked through out the month of October. User groups are adapting to the protocols as set out by the Provincial Health Office and Interior Health.

RCA Events – Ingrid Meyer reported that due to covid there have been no events. Subject to covid restrictions she is hoping to organize a Christmas Market in December.

Community Centre Maintenance – Dan Jackson reported on the maintenance that has been completed including new hot water tank that was required by the insurance provider to be replaced. Discussed future maintenance projects and funding that will be required. They will keep applying for grants to fund these projects.

Website – Karen Douglas – not in attendance – Mark read her report which included stats from October 2020 to September 2021 hosting service monthly average of 1915 hits (visitors who find the site but don't stay) 293 visits (people who find the site then stay a while) and 435 page views. Most popular pages visited History, Community Resources and Local Business pages. She thanked Sandy Foster for his extensive research and dedication to recording the history of the 108. They are happy to continue volunteering to maintain the website. If anyone has questions or suggests please ask Ingrid for her contact information.

Beaches – Ingrid Meyer – reported that from mid May to September contracted caretaker maintains beaches.

Motion to accept reports as presented, Seconded Cathy - unanimous

New Business

Citizen Recognitions – Sandy Foster thanked all the volunteers and he suggested to view the list of all past recipients for the Citizen of the Year, Community Service Awards and Certificate of Appreciation go to the RCA website at <https://108ranch.com/108-rca/recognition/> He presented the new Lifetime Achievement Award to Al Richmond. Al has been in the 108 community since the mid 1970's and has been the CRD representative for 28 years. Sandy highlighted Al's many roles and responsibilities over the years. 100 Mile Free Press is doing an article on Al and should be out next week. Al thanked Sandy and the committee and gave a brief history of how he got involved.

Nominations & Elections of Directors – Sandy Foster

As there were no volunteers from the attendees the existing directors have all agreed to volunteer for another year.

108 Mile Ranch Reports

108 Lions Club – Don White reported meetings have started again. They are on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. Looking for new members and fund raising ideas. All money raised goes back to the community. Due to covid all events had been cancelled. October 1 was the first Bingo of the year with 47 people attending.

Coffee Club & Games – Carol Wise – not in attendance.

Guest Speakers

Chris Betuzzi – 108 Green Belt Commissioner on Fire Mitigation within 108 – gave a slide presentation of the wildfire management and mitigation work that has been completed on the 108 greenbelt. The work is about 90% complete with a few small areas to be completed this year. Some of the \$1.5 million cost was funded by a \$200,000.00 donation from the Ministry.

He encouraged homeowners to do their own mitigation work on their property and down load the Fire Smart manual available online at <https://firesmartbc.ca>

Ingrid Meyer presented Chris Betuzzi with the Outstanding Service award.

Al Richmond – CRD Director Area G – he gave an update on high water on 108 and the over flow on the west end of the lake. Ministry of Environment requires the culvert be removed and creek restored with minimum impact. A bridge will be put into place to allow the creek to flow and repair the existing trail. Upgrades to be completed no later than December 2022. Report on E-bike complaints requires more signage not more by-laws. He reminded all homeowners to maintain their property within their property boundaries. If homeowners have any concerns about the Greenbelt to contact Greenbelt Commission. Airport resurfacing relying on grants for upgrade. Roads – ditching completed last year which should help reduce pot holes. He has asked for more regular patrols with the RCMP.

Answered question regarding water supply. He gave a brief history of the water upgrades over the years as the initial water supply was for recreational purposes. Reminder to all homeowners to follow all watering restrictions that will improve supply and pressure issues.

Ingrid Meyer thanked all volunteers and everyone for attending, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm