

108 MILE RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: February 8, 2017

Meeting called to order 7:10 pm.

Len Doucette welcomed everyone and introduced the RCA members in attendance - Len Doucette, Kathy Knutsen, Don White, Roxanne Ziefflie, Ingrid Meyer, Larry Knutsen 30 members of the general public in attendance.

Minutes from the 2017 AGM will be posted on our website.

Treasurer's Report – Kathie Knutsen

Bank Balances January 31, 2017:

Investment Account: \$14,699.88, Gaming Account: \$637.70, Operating Account: \$5,867.45, Beach Account: \$8,078.71, CRD Funding Grant: 23,740.18

Anyone wanting a copy of the August 31, 2016 financial statements will find them on our webpage www.108mileranch.ca

Motion by Kathie Knutsen, 2nd by Ingrid Meyer to appoint McAloney & Associates as our auditors for 2016/2017. **Carried**

Motion by Don White, 2nd by Ingrid Meyer to accept the treasurer's report. **Carried**

President's Report – Len Doucette

It's been a great year with a lot of success stories and positive changes for our community. It's great to see The Hills (Spruce Hills) nearing the end of their extensive renovations project. The addition of the CO cabin at the Heritage site, the improvements at the 108 Resort, the future development of our water systems and of course all the other projects nearing completion. It takes commitment and a lot of hard work from many in our community for us to enjoy and be part of our beaches, trails, green space, fire protection, community hall, skating parties, dog sled races, our heritage site, ghost hunts, Canada day, bike races, ski races, October fest, Christmas party, bingo, the list is extensive and I am sure I have missed a few. It takes people for all this to happen. These people work many thankless hours in the back ground volunteering their time. I have to say, it's been a privilege for me to be working with these people and to be part of this community. I have met so many people and have seen so many changes and it's thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that live and work in our community. However, there comes a time when the people who organize and work as volunteers running these events and celebrations need to take a break and pass the baton over to new energetic people.

It's with mixed emotions and a heavy heart that I will be stepping down as RCA chair. I have worked alongside many great people and community organizations and I will miss them all. As you are probably already aware, I took on the position of General manager at The Spruce Hill Resort, formally The Hills. I am going to focus all my attention to the resort and wouldn't be able to give my full attention to the RCA. I thank everyone in the RCA and community and hope to see you up the hill.

Welcome Packages – Len Doucette on behalf of Dan Jackson – Delivered 20 packages for 2016. People moving here from all over BC and Alberta. Bev French and myself made up another 25 packages for this year. Bev and I will share delivering packages for 2017.

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Our regular user groups: Tai Chi, Zumba, Yoga, Barry's Dance, Drummers, AA Group, Coffee Time & Games Day

This has been our 4th year of managing the hall.

Community Centre Maintenance – Len Doucette on behalf of Dan Jackson

Working together with hall manager, Carol Thorne, is a pleasure. Usual items have been serviced eg: 5-furnaces, water softener, floors waxed, outside picnic area, quotes for exhaust fan in Lion's den waiting to be finished. This year, 2016, we acquired from the Heart & Stroke Foundation an AED. It is located in the main hall entrance and 13 people have been trained how to use it by James Seeley.

New Business:

Nominations & Election of Directors – Len opened the floor for nominations. The following people were nominated and have accepted nomination to the board of directors:

Tish Hitchcock – nominated by Ingrid Meyer

Amber Lynn Parker – nominated by Ingrid Meyer

Debbie Hollowell – nominated by Ingrid Meyer

Welcome to the RCA board of directors.

Ingrid Meyer motioned to close nominations, 2nd by Roxanne Ziefflie. **Carried**

Dan Jackson sent notice that he will stand as director for one more year.

Guest Speakers:

Al Richmond – CRD Chair

-For 8 years we have tried to widen the shoulders around the 108 school. This year we have put down some recycled blacktop.

Terry Murphy (MOTI) will continue to try and improve more roads, mostly where the kids walk. We have 30 miles of roads in the 108 to do.

-Official Community Plan meeting – March 6

-Thanks to the volunteer fire department. They train every Tuesday night. Some calls are very traumatic, it's hard to see neighbours and friends in need.

-Recycling – this is an industry funded program, totes belong to the district. Don't put your totes out at night. 90 tons was collected for recycling in 2016. 50 tons came out of Lac La Hache. We can be fined if contaminated material is found. 20% has been found and we are only allowed 3%. Please no plastic bags, Styrofoam, pizza boxes or glass. It is shipped to Vancouver for sorting. We do not have enough tonnage to pick up weekly, cannot expand it without increase in taxes. An education meeting will be held in May.

-there will be a 1% budget increase - .4% for new services, .1% inflation

-need new fire truck and tanker. Trucks must be under 20 years old.

-Area G population is 5156

2016 Water Referendum: Mitch Mitchell has retired and Peter Hughes has taken his place.

-still divided on cause of lake going down. Well is drilled. Design of building is done and we will start in the spring. Would like to have up and running in the fall by the pumphouse on Sepa Lake.

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Santa's breakfast (co-sponsor with RCA and 108 Fire Department) – December 2016.
Lions provided and served the breakfast and covered the cost of the pictures with Santa.

Santa parade participant

Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction – May 2016

Easter Egg Hunt (co-sponsor with RCA & 108 Fire Department)

Heritage Site – tended fire for Halloween event

Purina Guide Dog Walk – May 2016 – Raised funds for training guide dogs

Annual Ice off Contest – Guess date, time of day anchor drops and flag goes up – for prizes.

Donations:

1. Sponsorship – 100 Mile Soccer Association - \$250.00
2. Donated \$500 to Fort McMurray Lion's Club to be donated to community
3. Donate \$250 to South Cariboo Fire Safety Initiative to be used at the 108 Elementary School
4. Food Bank - \$200
5. Remembrance Day Wreath – Legion
6. Hospital Foundation - \$100 for lighting the Light Ceremony
7. RCA – donation of \$1000
8. Provide breakfast at the 108 Fire Department's garage sale and donated funds raised

Additional Service:

Assisted Interlakes Lions with cooking and serving breakfast at Rodeo

Collect eye glasses to be refurbished and sent on to less fortunate countries.

108 Greenbelt Commission – Ron Soeder – 2 main projects

a) Evasive plants – wet conditions caused dormant seeds to germinate.

b) Replacing 2 km of fencing in walker valley.

Did a trail counter on both Sepa and 108 Lakes. Over 300 uses per day. We have more users than any other CRD trails (that use trail counters).

Thanked all the volunteers of the greenbelt commission.

Announcement: Sandy Foster is now the 108 Mile Correspondent and starting in March would like to meet with volunteers regarding events.

Motion by Don to Adjourn at 9:10 pm