

108 MILE RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
DATE: May 15, 2019

Meeting called to order 7:05 pm.

Ingrid Meyer welcomed everyone and introduced the RCA members in attendance Kathy Knutsen, Larry Davis, Dan Jackson, Bev French, Ingrid Meyer, Dorri Larstone, Donna White Approximately 55 members of the general public were in attendance.

Minutes from the 2019 AGM will be posted on our website.

Treasurer's Report – Kathie Knutsen

Bank Balances-\$26,431.00

Investment Account: \$ 96.00

Gaming Account: \$ 574.00

Operating Account: \$ 8430.00

Beach Account: \$ 2528.00

CRD Funding Grant: \$ 32,217.00

Anyone wanting a copy of the August 31, 2019 financial statements will find them on our webpage www.108mileranch.ca.

Motion by Kathie Knutsen, 2nd by Donna White to accept the treasurer's report. **Carried.**

McAloney & Associates as our auditors for 2017/2018.

Motion by Kathie Knutsen, 2nd by Dorri Larstone to appoint **Carried.**

President's Report – Ingrid Meyer

"Citizen Recognition' Plaques- Ingrid Meyer/ Sandy Foster

Graham Allison – Community Service Award

Terry Cross- Mrs. Claus – Community Service Award

Grant Rowlands – Community Service Award

Marshall and Marsha Reid – Certificate of Appreciation

Carol Biedler / Thorne and Bruce Biedler - Certificate of Appreciation

Ron Soeder - Community Service Award

Karen Douglas- Maintaining Website - Community Service Award

Elsie Babcock - Community Service Award

Al Richmond - 'Lifetime' Member - Community Service Award

Bill Hamilton- 'Lifetime" Lions Member -

108 Fire Dept.- Certificate of Appreciation

Jeffrey Newman - Community Service Award

Ian Henderson - Certificate of Appreciation

Ingrid Meyer- 'Citizen of the Year' (first of returning award)

A picture of those in attendance was taken by Sandy Foster

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Committee Reports-

Welcome Packages – Dan Jackson (Bev French)

Memberships – Ingrid Meyer

Community Hall Bookings – Bruce Biedler (Carol Biedler)

RCA Events – Ingrid Meyer

Community Centre Maintenance – Dan Jackson

Beaches – Dorri Larstone

Trail Committee – Larry Davis

Website- Sandy Foster

New Business: Nominations and Elections

Nominations – Two Nominations for new directors

Sandy Foster - Nominations- Rule changes, to personal nominations. You can now nominate yourself.

Directors that are not returning- Bev French, Larry Davis, Kathy Knutsen, Eleanor Barrington. Thank you for your time on the board.

Trudy Bothwell- nominated as Treasurer- Dan Jackson

Gail Thorne- nominated as Secretary- Ingrid Meyer

Returning Board Members – Ingrid Meyer, Dan Jackson, Donna White, Sandy Foster, Dorri Larstone, Larry Knutsen, Bev French

Welcome to the RCA board of directors!

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Volunteer Sign Up Sheet- Donna White

Donna passed a “sign-up” sheet for volunteers. Donna put a call to residents to help with events, projects, etc. that individuals can lend a hand with.

Website- Sandy Foster

Sandy put a thank you out to Karen Douglas, for all her technical expertise.

Guest Speakers-

Al Richmond- (CRD Director Area G)-

108 Fuel Mitigation Update. Special thanks to all the volunteers and especially Chris Petussi, donated his time, and who created the plan, and made the plan work. All dependent on the work of volunteers. Since 2017 spent \$500,000.00 in fuel mitigation.

Just received the consultants report on where we are at, and what is yet to be done. Three areas have been done (150 hectares)- 2018, 2019 Walker Valley- West side of the train tracks/ South End of Walker Valley/ Mid to Northern area of Walker Valley. Some Heli-logging was required for some areas. 900 piles burned/ 40-60% thinning of trees were removed and sold as logs, and slash was burned. Soil has been reseeded. Blue Goose and Scotty Lang are also doing a similar clean-up. Hoping for a 750-metre fuel break. Rod Dillman doing ‘Forest Raking’- exemplary work. A special thanks to Rod and his work.

June 2018, ‘local schools (Lac La Hache, 108, Forest Grove, Horse Lake, Canim Lake) came out to help plant donated (Roserum Nursery) trees in the burned-out areas. Numerous volunteers, and donations by local businesses, made it this all-day venture, a big success. The trees do seem to have taken.

Chief from the Canim Lake Band welcomed everyone, and said a prayer and blessed the work being done.

Local artist, Marvin Poole’s memorial plaque was found on a tree, and cleaned around, to preserve it.

Work continues with Blue Goose on the north side of the highway, through to the 112, in a similar clean up. Hopefully, by next year, there will be a fuel guard ring around the area of at least 50% reduction of trees.

Al encourages everyone to do their part in cleaning up your own properties. Clean up dead wood, clean under decks, mow lawns, firewood away from houses, plant fire resistant trees, such as aspen. Remove Junipers- a fire hazard. Clean gutters, sweep your roof of needles.

Question from resident- “What is planned for other areas of the Greenbelt?” A consultant Ken Day (there have been three consultants) has been hired to revisit the plan for the 108. He has come up with a report, a summary which will be reviewed by the Greenbelt commission, and priorities will be decided on based on their recommendations. The work will be continued in the fall. Thinning will continue, to try stay on top of the dying fir trees, as needed.

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108 Mile Ranch Reports:

108 Volunteer Fire Department – Ian Henderson

108 Lions Club – Donna White

Coffee Club and Games- Donna White

108 Greenbelt Commission- Liz Jones

108 Airport- Al Richmond

Final Announcements – Ingrid Meyer

Ingrid reiterated the need for the 911 'reflective house numbers' on our homes. Please have them mounted where they can be seen easily.

Ingrid talked about the events lined up for the 50th Anniversary weekend June 21-23/ 2019

The 'Big Announcements' happening at the Golf Course on May 21.

Ingrid thanked the residents for coming out. Announced the AGM minutes and reports are posted on the 108 website.

The RCA meets at 7pm every second Thursday of the month and that it is open to the public. September 2019 through to June 2020.

Motion by Dorri Larstone to Adjourn at 8:52 pm.

The next AGM TBA