

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR
THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LONGLAKETON NO. 219
HELD AT THE COMMUNITY HALL IN EARL GREY
ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022**

Present: Reeve Raymond Wild, councillors Jarret Solberg – Division 1 (via Zoom), David Ritter – Division 2, Garry Gibson – Division 3, Scott Hegglin – Division 6 and Courtney Huber, administrator.

Absent: Councillors Jack Davidson – Division 4 and Brett Tallentire – Division 5

Call to Order

A quorum being present, Reeve Raymond Wild called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes

2022-001 Scott Hegglin – That the minutes of the regular meeting of council held on December 14th, 2021 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Financial Report

2022-002 Garry Gibson – That the administrator's statement of cash receipts, payments and balances for the period ending December 31st, 2021 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Operating foreman Dustin Huber joined the meeting at 9:09 a.m. and provided an update on the following:

- gravel hauling;
- snow plowing;
- equipment repairs; and
- grader replacement.

Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities

2022-003 Garry Gibson – That we renew our membership with SARM and pay our 2022 membership fee of \$3,358.19 plus GST.

CARRIED

Canada Summer Jobs

2022-004 Scott Hegglin – That we apply for grant assistance for hiring a summer student through the 2022 Canada Summer Jobs funding program.

CARRIED

Eddy Golf Course Insurance

2022-005 Raymond Wild – That after further discussion regarding the Eddy Golf Course insurance, it remains that they be required to obtain their own insurance policy.

CARRIED

Councillor Jarret Solberg left the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Rural Municipalities Administrators Association

2022-006 David Ritter – That we renew our membership with RMAA and pay our 2022 membership fee of \$425.00.

CARRIED

Correspondence

2022-007 David Ritter – That the following list of correspondence has been dealt with and may now be suitably responded to and/or filed with the records of the municipality:

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| - SARM | Re: December Policy Bulletin, 2022
Membership, SARM Election & 2022 Annual
Convention |
| - WCB | Re: 2022 Premium Rate Notice |
| - Service Canada | Re: Canada Summer Jobs Grant |
| - Health Canada | Re: Strychnine Review |
| - The Eddy Golf Course | Re: Insurance Coverage |
| - SGI | Re: Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant |
| - TRS&M Fabrication & Maintenance Ltd. | Re: Services |
| - Ministry of Highways | Re: Project Information Sheet |
| - RMAA | Re: 2022 Membership |

CARRIED

Board and Committee Reports

2022-008 Scott Hegglin – That the following board and committee reports be accepted as presented:

- Strasbourg Manor
- APAS
- Strasbourg & District Health Centre
- WUQWATR
- Administration Report
- Parkland Regional Library
- Last Mountain Regional Landfill

CARRIED

Snow Plow Clubs

2022-009 Garry Gibson – That the following snow plow clubs be approved for snow removal on the R.M. of Longlaketon No. 219 municipal roads for the 2021-2022 winter season:

<i>Snow Plow Club Name</i>	<i>Operators</i>
Longlaketon Snow Plow Club	Owen Lewis, Lloyd Small, Doug Grandel Keith Frazer & Faron Bundus

CARRIED

Councillor Jarret Solberg returned to the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

Highway No. 6 Subdivision Application

2022-010 Scott Hegglin – That we approve the proposed subdivision application submitted by Kayla Punshon and No Deals Don Consulting Ltd. (Donald Mackay) for Block B, Plan 99SE13230 and Block CC, Plan 101876621. Further that no servicing agreement be required by the municipality. Even further that we accept cash in lieu of land for the municipal reserve dedication of \$300.00 per acre of reserve land and no re-zoning be required from our interpretation of the bylaw as an additional parcel is allowed for each roadway that separates the quarter.

Councillor Scott Hegglin requested a recorded vote.

- Councillor David Ritter – For
 - Councillor Garry Gibson – For
 - Councillor Scott Hegglin – For
 - Councillor Jarret Solberg – For
 - Reeve Raymond Wild – Against
- CARRIED

Councillor Jarret Solberg left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Faer Parcel Tie Removal Application

2022-011 David Ritter – That we approve the proposed parcel tie removal application submitted by Hudson Faer for the SW Qtr. of Sec. 34, Twp. 21, Rge. 19, W2 for the purpose of the sale of Parcel Number 145255697. Further that no servicing agreement be required by the municipality. Even further that we accept cash in lieu of land for the municipal reserve dedication of \$300.00 per acre of reserve land.

CARRIED

Tax Enforcement

2022-012 David Ritter – That the administrator be authorized to request transfer of title for Block A, Plan 102046452, Title Number 140169012.

CARRIED

Fuller Road Allowance

2022-013 Garry Gibson – That we agree to start the proceedings to close the road allowance that goes through the NW Qtr. of Sec. 07, Twp. 25, Rge. 20, W2. Further that Mr. Fuller be responsible for all associated costs and the purchase price of the said road allowance shall be at 1.5 times the assessment.

CARRIED

Board of Revision

2022-014 David Ritter – That for 2022 our board of revision remain the same and that we instruct the administrator to obtain prices from consulting firms for the 2023 tax year.

CARRIED

Council Remuneration and Mileage

2022-015 Scott Hegglin – That the following remuneration, indemnity, supervision and mileage rates be paid to council for the year 2022:

- \$240.00 per day for reeve and council for regular council meetings, all day committee and board meetings and reeve’s supervision of office;
- \$35.00 per hour for reeve and council for supervision of public works;
- \$240.00 per day for attending convention or all-day meetings away from the municipality with a \$60.00 per day meal allowance and all accommodation expenses be paid by the municipality;
- \$120.00 per meeting for evening meetings attended by council and for any of these meetings lasting in excess of 4 hours, council will be paid \$25.00 per hour for each additional hour;
- \$0.58 per kilometer for all municipal travel, which includes all approved administration and road workers travel; and
- \$20.00 per month for phone usage.

Further that these rates apply to any and all teleconference and electronic meetings as well.
CARRIED

Miscellaneous Appointments

2022-016 Garry Gibson – That the following appointments be approved for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2022:

Assessor	Courtney Huber
Development Appeals Board	Harley Herman 12/31/2022
	Kelly Butz 12/31/2023
	Marilyn Gibson 12/31/2024
Development Appeals Board Secretary	Loretta Young
	Blair Herman, Loretta Young & Stephen Brewster
Board of Revision Secretary	Maureen Herman-Wilde
Building Officials	Professional Building Inspections Inc.
Development Officer	Courtney Huber
Volunteer First Responders	Stephen Brewster, Stacey Fiessel, Shirley Mohr, Sheryl Scherle, Melina Tallentire & Rebecca Barnett
	Shayne Krochak
Fire Chief	Brad Bougher, Avery Baker, Dylan Fiessel, Katlin Fischer, Nolan Fuller, Kyle Gartner, Brendan Gebhart, Nathan Hafner, Ken Hornung, Matthew McDougall, Aron Mohr, Mitchell Nixon & David Schmidt
Volunteer Fire Fighters	

CARRIED

LAFOIP Coordinator

2022-017 David Ritter – That Courtney Huber be appointed as the LAFOIP coordinator for purposes under the Local Authority Freedom of Information & Protection Privacy Act for the year 2022.

CARRIED

Election Officials & Polling Places

2022-018 Scott Hegglin – That Courtney Huber be appointed as returning officer, for municipal elections during the year 2022, and honorariums be set at \$20.00 per hour and further that the Earl Grey Community Hall be designated as the official polling place for all six divisions in the municipality.

CARRIED

Poundkeeper and Designated Municipal Pound

2022-019 David Ritter – That Heath Tallentire, in his absence Brett Tallentire, of Earl Grey be appointed as the municipality’s poundkeeper with all the powers established by *The Stray Animals Act* and with the pound location being Heath’s farm located on the SE-09-23-20-W2. Further, that his rate of pay will be as follows:

- Bulls - \$25.00 per day;
- Cows and Cow/Calf Pairs - \$15.00 per day;
- Feeder Calves - \$10.00 per day;
- Horses - \$25.00 per day;
- Bison - \$25.00 per day;
- Sheep - \$5.00 to \$10.00 per day, depending on size; and
- Pigs - \$5.00 to \$10.00 per day, depending on size.

Further that mileage for transporting strays be based on loaded kilometres at the following rates:

- Goose Neck/Bumper Pull Stock Trailer - \$3.50 per kilometer; and
- Cattle Liner - \$5.00 per kilometer.

CARRIED

Pest Control Officer

2022-020 Garry Gibson - That we appoint Tom Schmidt as our pest control officer for 2022 and his remuneration be set at \$28.00 plus GST per site visited and further that any additional site visits be paid at \$28.00 per hour, including travel time, plus mileage at \$0.58 per kilometer. Even further that we specify that all inspections must be completed by October 31st.

CARRIED

Custom Work and Rental Rates

2022-021 Scott Hegglin - That the following hourly equipment rates will be charged for custom work done by the R.M. of Longlaketon No.219 for municipal ratepayers for the year 2022:

- Dozer \$175.00/hour plus transportation;
- Excavator \$200.00/hour plus transportation;
- Patrols \$175.00/hour for ratepayers and \$200.00/hour for non-ratepayers;
- Scraper \$210.00/hour;
- Packer \$100.00/hour;
- Tractor and Mower \$105.00/hour;
- Payloader \$175.00/hour;
- Skid Steer \$120.00/hour;
- Tandem Truck \$100.00/hour; and
- Semi and Trailer \$175.00/hour.

Minimum custom work charge will be set at \$50.00 and any custom work charges based on time will be used if greater than the minimum charge. In addition to the above custom work rates, all custom work must be approved by the reeve or the councillor. Staff can not authorize any type of custom work in the municipality. Road crew will not perform any custom work of any kind for any ratepayer, without first obtaining a signed contract for custom work from the ratepayer requesting the work.

Rental rate for equipment is as follows (for RM of Longlaketon No. 219 ratepayers only):

- Grass Seeder \$10.00/day or \$1.00/acre, whichever is greater;
- Eco-Bran Applicator \$10.00/day
- Tree Planter & Plastic Mulch Applicator \$50.00/day, with a \$200.00 cash deposit

CARRIED

Weed Inspectors

2022-022 David Ritter - That each councillor be appointed as weed inspector for their own division in the municipality for 2022 being:

- Division 1 - Jarret Solberg;
- Division 2 - David Ritter;
- Division 3 - Garry Gibson;
- Division 4 - Jack Davidson;
- Division 5 - Brett Tallentire; and
- Division 6 - Scott Hegglin.

CARRIED

Custom Work for Noxious Weeds

2022-023 Garry Gibson - That the following custom work rates be set up for the year 2022 in regards to the control of noxious weeds within the municipality:

- Mowing with operator \$105.00/hour; and
- Spraying \$105.00/hour.

The R.M. of Longlaketon No. 219 will provide landowners up to \$2,000.00 in contract work and chemical for the spraying of noxious and prohibited weeds. Any spraying conducted after the \$2,000.00 max will be invoiced at our custom work rates. Further that the municipality caps the program at \$20,000.00 of expenses.

CARRIED

Office Services

2022-024 Scott Hegglin – That the following rates will be charged for office services done by the R.M. of Longlaketon No. 219 for the year 2022:

- Photocopying \$0.25/page;
- Faxing (send or receive) \$0.25/page; and
- Minutes (mailed) \$25.00/year.

CARRIED

Administration Bond

2022-025 David Ritter – That the administration bond be accepted as presented, with \$100,000 coverage through SARM Fidelity Bond Self-Insurance with a premium of \$225.00 plus PST.

CARRIED

Council Assessable Earnings

2022-026 Garry Gibson – That the assessable earnings for members of council of the R.M. of Longlaketon No. 219 under the Saskatchewan Workers Compensation Board be set at the minimum industry standards for 2022.

CARRIED

Electronic Payments

2022-027 Scott Hegglin – That we authorize the Administrator Courtney Huber and Administrative Assistants Teresa Sutter and Maureen Herman-Wilde to make payments through the municipality’s online banking. The council understands that two signatures are normally required on cheques to make payments, however, this would no longer be required for online payments. The municipality takes all responsibility for payments that are made through online member direct. The Earl Grey Credit Union will setup the following payees for the municipality:

- Mastercard;
- Ministry of Finance – Education Tax;
- Municipal Employees Pension Plan;
- Receiver General; and
- Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance.

Further that the payment vouchers for the above-mentioned payees be sent to the Reeve or Deputy Reeve by electronic mail for approval prior to payment being submitted.

CARRIED

February Meeting

2022-028 Scott Hegglin – That due to personnel time conflicts, we hold our February meeting on Tuesday, February 15th, 2022 commencing at 9:00 a.m. at the Community Hall in Earl Grey, Saskatchewan.

CARRIED

Accounts for Payment

2022-029 David Ritter – The following accounts be approved for payment:

14940	Jack Davidson	Dec Indemnity & Supervision	451.92
14941	Garry Gibson	Dec Indemnity & Supervision	616.02
14942	Scott Hegglin	Dec Indemnity & Supervision	1,158.41
14943	David Ritter	Dec Indemnity & Supervision	461.36
14944	Jarret Solberg	Sep, Nov & Dec Ind. & Super.	1,053.18
14945	Brett Tallentire	Dec Indemnity & Supervision	393.38
14946	Ray Wild	Dec Indemnity & Supervision	1,299.67
14947	Bradley P. Envik	Overpayment of Taxes	1,372.75
14948	Brandt Tractor Ltd.	Repair Parts	2,057.58
14949	Brody Bell	2021 Cell Phone Allowance	40.00
14950	Bulyea COOP	Shop Supplies	52.37
14951	Courtney Huber	2021 Mileage	176.32
14952	Dionco Sales and Service Ltd.	Culverts	2,464.20
14953	Earl Grey Curling & Skating	Meeting Room Rental	250.00
14954	Earl Grey Community Hall	Meeting Room Rental & Table Rental	200.00
14955	Industrial Parts & Equipment	Repair Parts	847.06
14956	Last Mountain Regional Landfill	Nov Garbage & Recycling	4,874.27
14957	Maureen Herman-Wilde	2021 Mileage	111.36
14958	Petty Cash c/o Courtney Huber	Postage & Office Supplies	13.05
14959	Prairie Battery	Charger & Batteries	856.56
14960	Linde Canada Inc.	Cylinder Rental	69.70
14961	Princess Auto	Shop Supplies	319.73
14962	Redhead Equipment	Repair Parts	625.71
14963	SARM	Office Supplies	21.62

14964	SaskTel (Mobility)	Shop Mobility	80.01
14965	Teresa Sutter	Council Lunch & 2021 Mileage	283.58
14966	Tonka Hydrovac	Shop Sewer Line Repair	832.50
14967	Canada Revenue Agency	December Remittance	8,680.63
14968	Collabria MasterCard	Website, Postage, Tax Enforcement, Supplies & Christmas Social	3,021.37
14969	M.E.P.P.	December Remittance	6,236.96
14970	Minister of Finance - Ed Tax	December Education Remittance	62,506.15
14971	Sask Municipal Hail	December Remittance	22,958.98
14972	Agricultural Producers Assoc.	2022 Membership	14,641.01
14973	Auto Parts Plus	Repair Parts	82.78
14974	BBJ Five Star Service Inc	Shop Supplies	34.56
14975	Brandt Tractor Ltd.	Repair Parts	749.61
14976	Canada Post	Postage	3,864.00
14977	East Central Transportation	2022 Membership	500.00
14978	L & G Crushing Corp.	Gravel Pile Measurement	582.75
14979	Lyle Davis	Pit Run Royalties	18,660.00
14980	Minister of Finance	2022 911 Dispatch Services	1,600.20
14981	MuniSoft	2022 Software & Equipment Maint.	4,252.69
14982	Prairie Battery	Battery	207.58
14983	Princess Auto	Shop Supplies & Repair Parts	479.13
14984	Professional Building Insp.	Dec Inspections	1,466.15
14985	Provincial Mediation Board	Request for Consent	40.00
14986	Resort Village of Kannata	Valley Ridge PUB Water	2,062.50
14987	Rural Municipal Administrators	2022 Membership	425.00
14988	SARM	Membership & LSIP	8,568.36
14989	SGI	Plate Renewals	2,598.52
14990	Sherwood Co-op Ltd.	Fuel	5,163.98
14991	Signs By Design	Decals	446.25

Preauthorized Payments:

PAD	Sask Power	Herman Well NE0821202	47.03
PAD	Sask Power	Shop	789.74
PAD	Sask Power	Office	123.96
PAD	Sask Power	Street Lights - Rock Ridge	28.22
PAD	Sask Energy	Shop	151.14
PAD	Sask Energy	Office	111.54
PAD	Sask Tel	Shop Phone	140.43
PAD	Sask Tel	Office Phone/Fax & Internet	196.39

Payroll:

549	Cole Foster	Payroll PP 26-2021 - Dec 5 - 18	1,354.09
550	Maureen Herman-Wilde	Payroll PP 26-2021 - Dec 5 - 18	1,284.03
551	Courtney Huber	Payroll PP 26-2021 - Dec 5 - 18	2,195.67
552	Dustin Huber	Payroll PP 26-2021 - Dec 5 - 18	1,871.59
553	Shayne Krochak	Payroll PP 26-2021 - Dec 5 - 18	1,251.48
554	Mitchell Nixon	Payroll PP 26-2021 - Dec 5 - 18	1,424.03
555	Kelly Sutter	Payroll PP 26-2021 - Dec 5 - 18	1,771.85
556	Teresa Sutter	Payroll PP 26-2021 - Dec 5 - 18	1,294.24
557	Cole Foster	Payroll PP 1-2022 - Dec 19 - Jan 1	1,753.66
558	Maureen Herman-Wilde	Payroll PP 1-2022 - Dec 19 - Jan 1	833.21
559	Courtney Huber	Payroll PP 1-2022 - Dec 19 - Jan 1	1,991.00
560	Dustin Huber	Payroll PP 1-2022 - Dec 19 - Jan 1	2,185.36
561	Shayne Krochak	Payroll PP 1-2022 - Dec 19 - Jan 1	1,005.05
562	Mitchell Nixon	Payroll PP 1-2022 - Dec 19 - Jan 1	1,835.62
563	Kelly Sutter	Payroll PP 1-2022 - Dec 19 - Jan 1	1,869.24
564	Teresa Sutter	Payroll PP 1-2022 - Dec 19 - Jan 1	690.91

CARRIED

Recess

2022-030 David Ritter - That we recess for lunch at 12:16 p.m. and reconvene at 1:00 p.m.
CARRIED

Reeve Raymond Wild called the meeting back to order at 1:01 p.m.

Councillor Jarret Solberg returned to the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

Closed Session

2022-031 David Ritter – That we move into a closed session to discuss employee personnel and wages and contractual negotiations. The closed session began at 1:05 p.m.
CARRIED

Present were Raymond Wild, Jarret Solberg (via Zoom), David Ritter, Garry Gibson, Scott Hegglin, Courtney Huber and Dustin Huber. Legislative authority under clause 17 (1)(d) and clause 17 (1)(g) and of the *Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Open Session

2022-032 Garry Gibson – That the closed session concludes at 4:07 p.m. and we move back into open session.
CARRIED

2022 Wages

2022-033 Garry Gibson – That the following hourly wages be set for 2022, for current employees of the R.M. of Longlaketon No. 219:

- Ken Flaman \$27.73 per hour;
- Cole Foster \$28.03 per hour;
- Ken Hornung \$26.37 per hour;
- Shayne Krockak\$27.27 per hour;
- Lanny Mason \$27.00 per hour;
- Jerry Meng \$30.45 per hour;
- Mitchell Nixon \$28.03 per hour;
- Kelly Sutter \$32.29 per hour;
- Brendan Weber \$20.20 per hour;
- Dustin Huber \$38.71 per hour.;
- Maureen Wilde \$27.52 per hour; and
- Teresa Sutter \$27.52 per hour.

Further that all hourly wages include SARM extended health and dental benefits.

SaskPower Line Relocation

2022-034 Garry Gibson – That we accept the quote of \$3,065.46 plus GST to move the power poles and line on the SW Qtr. of Sec. 25, Twp. 20, Rge. 21, W2, where the municipality removed clay for clay capping Grid 641, to the edge of the property and road allowance easement.
CARRIED

Adjourn

2022-035 David Ritter – That this council meeting adjourn. (4:20 p.m.)
CARRIED

REEVE

ADMINISTRATOR

Foreman Report for December, 2021/January, 2022

- We have hauled pit run from Olson's to the Old 6 stockpile site. We will have to wait until spring to haul the remainder of the pile as it is frozen solid now.
- We have been out plowing snow a few times. The ditches are already really full for only being the beginning of January. We may have to consider doing snow ridges in some fields to help the roads.
- We are getting ready to move gravel from the Kramer quarter to the speed curve south of Earl Grey for the subdivisions and spot gravelling through the summer.

Dustin Huber

Strasbourg Manor Report for December, 2021/January, 2022

- Will be allowing one family member in the common room to help with birthdays of the tenant.
- Ethan Keifer's wage was increased from \$17/hr to \$20/hr for clearing snow and helping Ray around the manor.
- Gerald Munholland resigned from the board.
- Applications were reviewed for a new administrator and an offer was sent out, yet to be accepted.
- AGM will also held, the board is looking for new members.

Garry Gibson

APAS Report for December, 2021/January, 2022

- The AGM will be January 17th and 18th at the Queensbury Centre in Regina
- The following was discussed at the December 15th meeting:
 - o Rail crossings getting eliminated
 - o Shortage of chemical for grasshopper control
 - o Equipment prices going up 15-30%
 - o Dugouts constructed and wells drilled
 - o Assiniboia area crops being cut for feed
 - o Lots of dugout water results were toxic
 - o Grain contracts
 - o Government is driving a wedge between urban and rural
 - o Input supply costs
 - o Railway back logs
 - o Carbon tax multiplier
 - o Seed germination is down
 - o Livestock movement and packing capacity
 - o Losing control of land ownership
 - o Importing US cattle and corn
 - o Loss of cattle herds

Scott Hegglin

Strasbourg & District Health Centre Report for December, 2021/January, 2022

- Renovation is in the final stages, everything needs to be wrapped up by the end of March.
- There have been no interested physicians apply for the Sask Docs fee for service position since November so next steps will need to be taken to go a different route to have an additional provider in the facility.
- We have a new 4th year U of R nursing student, Vanessa, with us for the next few months. She will be under the guidance of Susan and Christine.
- Jennelle is moved into her new office and is enjoying her new space. When the time comes that we are awarded another provider we have office space available, will just have to get a treatment bed and desk.
- With the new COVID variant starting to spread, we are constantly working together as a team to ensure as many of our patients are being seen safely and effectively. As always, hats off to our amazing team for rising to these challenges and serving our community to the best of their abilities.

Scott Hegglin

Administration Report for December, 2021/January, 2022

Follow-up from the December 14th Meeting:

- I contacted the Resort Village of Kannata Valley to have the water turned off at 21 Valley Ridge Road due to it being unoccupied and the power being disconnected. I then received a call from the home owners mother stating that she would be maintaining the property so that water was turned back on.
- I have been in contact with the RM of Lumsden to set up another meeting regarding the Little Church Road bridge.
- I have contacted Midwest Surveys to obtain a quote to mark the west side of the NW Qtr. of Sec. 17, Twp. 25, Rge. 19, W2 but I have not received a quote to date.
- A letter was sent to the Village of Siltion regarding the Siltion Fire Services Agreement. The Village of Siltion agreed to the terms that the RM stipulated and an agreement was signed.
- An Animal Control Bylaw has been drafted and will be reviewed at this meeting.
- The Municipal Revenue Sharing Declaration has been completed.

KV/SB Lagoon Committee Meeting

- Ray and I attended a meeting regarding the KV/SB Lagoon at the Resort Village of Kannata Valley office on Monday, December 20th
- The administrator for the Resort Village of Kannata Valley drafted a new agreement which was similar to the current one but did not include an end date or an appendix indicating what communities are included in the agreement.
- Current users of the lagoon are: RM 219, Kannata Valley, Saskatchewan Beach, Siltion (piped), Alta Vista, Sundale and Chamray Heights.
- RM 219, Siltion, Alta Vista, Sundale and Chamray Heights all pay \$100/user/year (KV and SB residents do not pay anything because they own the lagoon)
- KV/SB is proposing a fee increase of an additional \$25/user/year for the next 4 year, increasing the user fee from \$100 to \$200 in the 4 year span. This is to save for lagoon dredging.
- The RM is planning to clay cap the Siltion grid and cost sharing the approximate expense of \$90,000 by the following:
 - o RM - \$45,000
 - o Kannata Valley - \$15,000
 - o Saskatchewan Beach - \$15,000
 - o Siltion - \$15,000
- The RM is wanting compensation for road maintenance and road repairs built into the agreement.

- The current agreement is extended until February 28th in order to have more time to negotiate a new agreement.
- The next meeting will be January 24th at 1:30 p.m. at the Resort Village of Kannata Valley office.

Other Business Conducted:

- o Year-end was completed on January 5th and 6th with no issues.

Messages of Concern/Gratitude

- N/A

Courtney Huber

Parkland Regional Library Report for 2021

The first part of 2021 found the region in a little bit of turmoil. The Executive found itself taking the reins of the region as we had recently de-hired our director. With the help of our Temporary Business Manager, we managed to keep things stable. Though we had a big job ahead of us, we needed to fill many vacated positions for various reasons. This meant locating job descriptions, posting job openings, short listing qualified applicants, interviewing and then offering the position to the selected candidate. All said, by March we had hired 6 positions including a new Director and a new Business Manager. Some of these hires are still with us and others have moved on. Once we had our Director and Business Manager in place we were able to step back and breath. All of this had taken place after we had dealt with the Union contract re-negotiation. I have one word for that: "exhausting". We are hoping to find some stability in our courier position as this has seen the most turnover in the recent months. If you have talked to any librarians, this is something we have heard a lot about.

The AGM was next. This was held via "skype", certainly not my preferred method to hold a meeting, though I have been told that if you want to speed up a meeting rely on "skype" mute will be your best friend. Everything with the AGM went relatively smooth, we did send out a request for questions from the region and received some from the City of Yorkton, they were answered during the meeting having the questions first read and the answers shared, some of the answers weren't appreciated though the truth sometimes rubs me the wrong way also. The executive proposed a zero increase in the levy, there were some questions to the feasibility, we believed we could hold spending. Some subscriptions were suspended due to the cost/vs. usage, and what we saw as overlap. Concerns were voiced, explanations given with understanding on both sides being the outcome.

Shortly after the AGM, the Parkland Regional Library and the City of Yorkton agreed to involve a government appointed mediator to help sort out the issues between the two parties. Since this process began there have been three meetings every other month since June. It has been specified by the mediator that these discussions shall be kept between the parties until an agreement has been reached. There is disappointment from the region's perspective that the meetings are so far apart and this is moving at a pace that is not conducive to resolution.

Currently we are in the process of seeking a new Business Manager, as the Business Manager has moved over to become the Branch Supervisor. This will be welcome news to our librarians as this will give them someone to communicate directly with.

In conclusion, our household has a great appreciation for what the library system in Saskatchewan provides, not only to us, but those who have grown up with books are introducing their children and likely their children's children to books and the

wonderful worlds they allow readers and listeners of all ages to enter at a price all of us can afford.

As acting Executive Chair there are a few more boxes that I would like to see wrapped up and bows put around them prior to my departure from the Executive. I will ask that you consider my re-appointment as the delegate to the Parkland Regional Library representing R.M. of Longlaketon #219.

Warren Larsen

Last Mountain Regional Landfill Report for December, 2021/January, 2022

- December 22nd meeting in Bulyea
 - o The Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Bank Reconciliation, and List of Accounts Payable for December were approved.
 - o Performance evaluations were done for the staff and administration.
 - o Working on a contingency plan for garbage when Cell #4 is full.
 - o A semi load of grain bags is ready to go to the recycle depot.
 - o We are having a problem with Ag garbage bins loaded with twine going to the landfill even though the twine can be recycled. The real problem is that it is wrapping in the tracks of the dozer and compactor. A letter will be sent out to those with bins making them aware of this.
 - o We are waiting for the Ministry of Environment to approve our development permit for constructing the new cell.

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