

White Sands Community Hall Society
And
White Sands Rural Crime Watch
Minutes of the Meeting Held December 4, 2018

Present:

Vice President Geri Horne, Secretary Judy Peelar, Treasurer Mary Greene
Carl Cornelssen, Vicky Sanchuck, Lorne Thurston, Debbie Waugh, Rick Crawford, Jim Marke, Leigh Rairdan,
Gerry Linkert, Carol Linkert, Bob Greene
Guests: Jim Szigety, Jeanette Szigety

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice President Geri Horne with 13 members present, therefore a quorum.

Changes to the Agenda:

Geri Horne added the following items:
Unfinished Business – Sign for the Hall
New Business – Request for an ice cube maker for the Hall.

Jim Marke asked if he could add items to the agenda which affected the Village as a whole. The items were outside the scope of the Hall Society and were deemed to be matters to be addressed with Village Council and therefore not added to the agenda.

The agenda was accepted with the above additions on the motion Vicky Sanchuck. Seconded by Carol Linkert. Opposed 1. Carried.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous quarterly meeting held October 6, 2018 were approved as distributed on the motion of Jim Marke. Seconded by Debbie Waugh. Carried.

Financial Report:

Mary Greene presented the following Financial Report for the period January 1 through October 31, 2018:

January 1, 2018 Bank Balance		\$11,707.42
Expenses:		
Facilities & Equipment	\$5215.30	
Insurance & Bank	\$ 659.29	
Social Events	\$4393.39	
Tues Cards & Poker Nights	\$ 969.18	
Misc.	\$ 46.78	

Revenue:

Golf Fees and Raffle	\$1343.00
Bottle Returns	\$6803.65

Bank Statement to October 31, 2018

\$8570.03

Mary noted that the expense for the Take It or Leave It Shed is included in the "Facilities and Equipment" line item.

Motion to accept the Financial Report as presented was made Debbie Waugh. Seconded by Leigh Rairdan. Carried.

Rural Crime Watch Report:

Corinne Phelan, President was not able to make the meeting but communicated that there was nothing to report.

Unfinished Business:

Electronic Bulletin Board:

Lorne Thurston reported that the ownership of the Water Fill Station is yet to be confirmed and that may be a long term decision. Regardless, the electronic sign should be installed in the spring but will likely have to be on posts rather than affixed to the building. He will be proposing that the Village will take care of snow removal and mowing in exchange for the power we use to run the sign.

Thank You Plaque:

Leigh Rairdan advised that the plaque thanking Lorne Thurston for his work in obtaining the water fill station, is ready to be picked up. Treasurer Mary Greene provided her with a cheque for payment of the plaque and Leigh will pick it up this week.

Sign for the Hall:

Geri Horne asked Gerry Linkert about the progress on the sign for the Hall. Gerry advised he hopes to have it ready before Christmas.

New Business:

An extraordinary meeting was held on October 14, 2018. Following are the minutes:

**Extraordinary Meeting
White Sands Hall Society
October 14, 2018**

Present:

Gerri Horne, Mary Greene, Judy Peelar, Leigh Rairdan, Debbie Waugh, Vicky Sanchuck, Carl Cornelissen

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Geri Horne.

The purpose of the meeting was to finalize and approve expenses for a Thank You Plaque honoring Lorne Thurston for the years of work he put in to have a Water Fill Station at White Sands.

Leigh Rairdan obtained quotes for a 12' x 18' plaque. One is made from a hard plastic material – cost of \$165. The second is made of black powder coated aluminum at a cost of \$404. Costs were approximate as the number of words/letters engraved will affect the cost.

Wording on the plaque was agreed as follows:

To acknowledge the dedication and effort of
Mayor Lorne Thurston
In securing this Water Transfer Station
Thank You Lorne
2018

Motion was made by Debbie Waugh to purchase the black powder coated aluminum plaque at a cost not to exceed \$450.00. Seconded by Mary Greene. Carried.

The Plaque is to be hung on the driveway fill side of the Truck Station. Upon receipt of the plaque, we will hold a ceremony at the Water Fill Station. Details to be finalized when the plaque is delivered (about 4-6 weeks).

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

It was noted by Geri Horne that the final expense came in at \$487.17 rather than the \$450 approved at the Extraordinary Meeting. The motion to ratify the minutes of the October 14, 2018 meeting held for the purpose of approving the expense for the Thank You Plaque and to approve the final expense of \$487.17 was made by Leigh Rairdan. Seconded by Gerry Linkert. Carried.

Village News:

Mayor Lorne reported on the following items:

- Paradise Shores RV Park is appealing the decision of the Sub Division Appeal Board so there will be continued commitment from the appellants and the Village. Court of Appeals has scheduled the hearing for December 19th.
- WIFI at the Hall – there was not a lot of response to the survey. The WIFI will likely be relocated to the Bottle Shed. The Village had decided to keep the WIFI as it can be used in emergency situations when cell service is down. The WIFI costs about \$105/month. The data limit has never been breached.
- Property taxes – there will be an option to pay property taxes in monthly installments. Lorne will communicate more details on this in his next newsletter.
- Village Council is researching the hiring of a Commissionaire from Red Deer to patrol the Village and ticket parking offenses and extraordinary violations such as cannabis. It is very difficult to have the RCMP respond to such matters. We cannot do it ourselves, as you must have access to license plate ownership to issue a ticket. The Red Deer company is making a presentation to Council.

- Hall Rental has increased to \$150.00. Previously we charged \$100/day plus water and sewer costs. Payment in advance will also be requested as some bookings have cancelled at the last minute and we could have rented the hall to another party.

Take It or Leave Shed – we have had a surprising number of items coming and going already. Given that the Village population is low at this time of year, it indicates there is a need for the shed.

Village Christmas Party - Mary Greene reported that we have 40 people signed to date. The deadline is this week and she will then advise the caterer of final numbers.

Judy Peelar reported that after sending out an email for volunteers to organize a Children's' Christmas party – we had no response.

Ice Maker for the Hall:

We received a request to purchase an ice maker for the Hall so that at social functions, attendees did not have to bring their own ice for the beverages. Discussion included the need for a supply of drinking water in the Hall to make the ice cubes, cleaning of the ice maker and filter management.

Bob Greene made the motion to reject the request for an ice maker. Seconded by Gerry Linkert. 4 in favour of the motion. 5 opposed. Motion defeated.

Leigh Rairdan made the motion to purchase an ice maker for a cost not to exceed \$200. Debbie Waugh seconded the motion. 5 in favor of the motion. 4 opposed. Motion carried.

Debbie Waugh will arrange for purchase of the ice maker.

Jim Marke asked if the Hall Society was GST exempt. As a non-profit society, we can apply for to get the GST back on our expenses. If our annual expenses were \$10,000 that means \$500 could come back into our revenues. After much discussion on the paperwork involved and what expenses would be eligible for rebate, we agreed to table the discussion and have the Executive Members of the Hall Society investigate this further.

2019 Event Dates:

Judy Peelar reported that the following dates have been tentatively booked for 2019:

Social Functions:

Sunday, June 30 – July 1st Parade and BBQ

Saturday, July 13 – Golf Tournament

Saturday, Aug 31 – Fall Wind Up

Saturday, Dec 14 – Christmas Party

Quarterly Hall Society and Crime Watch Meetings:

Tuesday, April 30

Saturday, July 6 – Annual Meeting

Tuesday, October 8

Tuesday, December 10

Next Meeting Date is set for Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. on the motion of Vicky Sanchuck.