

Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING Sunday, July 18, 2010 at 1:00 pm

Summer Villages Office Council Chambers

MINUTES

Present:

Don Fleming, Mayor John Slater, Deputy Mayor Peter Langelle, Councillor Sylvia Roy, CAO Christopher Henthorne, PLPS Cst. Senechal, Wetaskiwin RCMP Cst. Moneta, Wetaskiwin RCMP

Mayor Fleming called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. #10-94

Moved by Councillor Langelle to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Crime/ Policing Concerns

In the early morning hours of Saturday, July 19, 2010, a person or persons slashed between 25-50 vehicle tires; some vehicles had all 4 tires slashed and this being a Sunday, no help is available for repairs until Monday. RCMP advised that they attended the situation in the early morning hours, and three individuals from the area were questioned.

This and other crimes such as break-ins, vandalism and general nuisances have occurred in the past and it seems to take place in the early morning hours on a weekend, especially during July and August. The residents are angry and want a solution.

Discussion of this problem occurred with many solutions being discussed. Preferred solutions include night shifts for Pigeon Lake Protective Services (2 officers will likely need to work these shifts); more RCMP presence and/or undercover police presence.

Enhanced policing (hiring off-duty RCMP officers) was discussed. Sgt. McDonald of Wetaskiwin RCMP was contacted regarding this program. The hourly rate for enhanced policing shifts is double-time, and the Summer Village chooses the hours/shifts that the RCMP would work. Sgt. McDonald indicated that after July 23, 2010, there will be dedicated shifts ("owed hour" shifts) focused on Ma-Me-O Beach but the hours/shifts are as yet unknown. Sgt. McDonald indicated that the RCMP are considering conducting bike patrols in the Village so that members could be more mobile. Sgt. McDonald will contact RCMP K Division regarding a potential enhanced policing agreement and contact the CAO.

Councillor Langelle will draft a notice to residents advising them of the above, which will be hand-delivered to Ma-Me-O Beach residents.

Adjournment

Res. #10-95

Moved by Mayor Fleming to adjourn the meeting at 2:09 pm.

CARRIED

Signed Original on File

Don Fleming, Mayor Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach Sylvia Roy, CAO Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach