

**Resort Village of Shields  
Monthly Council Highlights  
Regular Council Meeting September 20<sup>th</sup>**

**(Full minutes will be approved on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the Council Meeting and posted upon approval)**

### **Administration**

- Becky Hoehn's last Council meeting was on Sept. 20th. Becky thanked Council for the opportunity to serve the Village of Shields.  
*" Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Resort Village of Shields. I have appreciated your support and encouragement throughout the year. You are a strong council and have led the village through many positive projects and valuable ventures. I wish you continued success in achieving your goals. I also want to wish Jessica all the very best as she resumes this role. Please let me know if I can be of any help or assistance in the future". ~Becky*
- Jessica Arguin will be returning full-time as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The council agreed on a return salary for Jessica as per the UMAAS salary guidelines.

### **Maintenance**

- Hall painting is just about complete. Operations will replace old, yellowed outlets throughout the space.
- Maintenance fixed some of the broken playground equipment.

### **Development Permits**

- The village approved development permit for 20 Mawson Drive, 7 McCordick, 1 McCrimmon and 67 Procter.
- Building permits were approved for 89 Procter, 27 Procter and 27 Mawson.

The developer, Alair Homes, will be provided supervised access to the public reserve to access 27 Procter Drive. If there is any damage it will be remediated to the original condition by the contractor.

### **Abate as per Bylaw 6/14 Section 5**

Council approved that for the year of 2023 to abate the \$200 per residence sewer infrastructure levy outlined in Bylaw 6/14.

### **Tax Arrears**

In accordance with Section 3 of the Tax Enforcement Act, Council acknowledges the prepared list of arrears as presented.

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**Abandoned Dock Tender**

The bid of \$250 was accepted for the abandoned dock, with the understanding that the new owner is responsible for removing all sections of the dock and cleaning up the area.

**Spirit of Shields Award**

Council accepted the selected nomination for the Spirit of Shields 2023 recipient from the Chair. The award will be presented at the Volunteer appreciation Night on October 20, 2023.

**Committees**

***EMO Committee***

- EMO is planning another Block Captain group exercise on October 17, 2023.
- Council approved the appointment of Tim Black as the new Block Captain for the EMO Committee.

***Marketing/Real Estate***

- The new Village signage for the South Entrance to Memorial Drive will be installed before winter.

***Project Committee***

- Administration reported to the Committee the final numbers for the Road and the Amenities building and they were both within budget. The village cost for the RM road was \$121,440 (below approved budget) and village cost for the Amenities building was \$55,000.(within budget)

***Green Space Committee***

- The green space will be replacing two trees at the lake access beside 21 Procter. The trees will be covered under warranty.

***Fire Commission Report***

- Council agreed that the Dundurn & District Fire Commission move forward with the purchase of the all-purpose utility vehicle for up to the cost of \$45,000. Which supports the Fire Departments Needs.

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***PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD***

***Social Programming***

***Events***

*Coming Events*

- October 20<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Appreciation night.
- November 4<sup>th</sup> – Casino Night
- December 2<sup>nd</sup>- Adult Christmas Potluck
- December 9<sup>th</sup> – Children’s Christmas Party

***Programming***

- The Prairie Central Community Engagement & Development Program FIA Grant through the Saskatchewan Park and Recreation Association was approved. This grant will cover the cost of a free line dancing lesson to be held on Oct 14 from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
- Card parties are being planned and information will be sent out soon.
- Travelogue presentation will be held in October with information being advertised soon.

***Golf Committee***

- The Golf Committee 50/50 fundraiser raised \$1,109.60 to go towards the development of the golf course.
- Council agreed that Morgan MacDonald will be paid an additional salary for more responsibility until the end of October.

***Sask Water Shed Authority***

- With support from Environment and Climate Change Canada, Saskatchewan Association of Watersheds is beginning the process of developing watershed based climate change adaptation plans throughout Saskatchewan, for each watershed district, as well as a provincial wide plan. The planning process will bring together community members and leadership to develop a plan for adaptation to climate change.
- Prussian carp is an aquatic invasive species that is currently only found in Saskatchewan and Alberta. This carp is a great threat to Saskatchewan waters because of their life characteristics that make them a bad invader. Females are ready to reproduce at 1-2 years old and can spawn up to three times a year. This invasive fish is related to the goldfish, is silvery brown and can weigh up to 3kg and grow to 30cm in length. They are easily spread from one body of water to another. Boaters are strongly encouraged to follow the clean, drain and dry methods to prevent the spread.

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**Financial**

***Accounts***

- Approved payment of accounts for \$92,868.19 which includes payroll.

Please note: Council's next meeting will be held on **Wednesday October 18th at 7:00 p.m.**