

A public meeting was held May 30<sup>th</sup> 2024 at the Bulyea Community Hall at 7:00 pm.  
17 Bulyea residents were in attendance.

Council attending: Mayor Cynthia Lovequist, Councillors Linda Dmyterko and Laine Henfrey.

Mayor Lovequist welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked those who made the efforts to attend.

A agenda of important issues was used to present main concerns and business in the following areas:

- Volunteers needed on committees
  - Sidewalks
  - Speed control signs
  - Water treatment plant & Lagoon Upgrades
  - Road gravelling and Ashley Street patching
  - General Information
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- Cemetery Committee (Linda Glass)
    - They could use Volunteers.
    - Annual Cemetery Clean Up- Everyone welcome. Bring your Garden tools. Wheelbarrows, rakes, pruners, hedge clippers etc. People with trucks to haul stuff away will be needed also.
  - Community Hall Board (Councillor Dmyterko)
    - They need new Member and Volunteers
    - 2 Volunteers offered at the meeting.
    - Require fundraising efforts.
    - There were concerns about working equipment being thrown out without repairing them.
    - Cassidy Flavel the new president has applied for a grant that would cover the cost of the \$12,000 dishwasher.
  - Speed Signs (Councillor Henfrey)
    - Explained that Lorry Lane & Assiniboia would both be getting speed signs this month.
  - Sidewalks (Mayor Lovequist)
    - Brought forth that the area we hoped to have completed this area (Corner of Assiniboia/Ashley St- the north corner of the hotel) was roughly \$28,000.00 on our lowest quote. Council would be looking

at having those who quoted come back out and give us a quote on the area right in front of the hall and the area that is currently torn out.

- Road Graveling/Ashley Street Patching (Councillor Henfrey)
  - We have been grading the roads thanks to R.Glass
  - We will be getting Lorry Lane Gravelled soon.
  - The budget is not yet complete and once it is set, council has a list of roads with priority to get done.
  - Ashely street will be done when the weather warms up.
  
- Water Treatment Plant & Lagoon Upgrades
  - Unfortunately, both Maintenance and Councillor Gorrill were absent to talk about this.
  - Acting Administrator Lowe, reported that there was just an inspection done by the EPO and it was a good inspection but that we do have aging infrastructure. Unfortunately, she noted that she did not have the technical information and that Gorrill would be better to report.
  - Items like pumps and chemical amounts needed to be replaced at the plant, where a new fence was to be replaced at the lagoon. We are looking at Grants as options when they are available.

## General Information

- Lovequist- Office hours would be changing May 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 from Monday-Thursday (9am-3pm)
- Welcome to Lunch N Munch in the Hotel Building, and to the new Co-Op Home & Garden Store! Please Support these Village based businesses.
- Thank you to the Volunteers. Communities like Bulyea thrive on Volunteers. Without people helping we have to hire out. When we must hire out it cost money. When it cost money taxes go up.
- The Village has a burn pit where you can sign out the key at the office and take any yard waste and drop it off. This is free of charge. \*If you don't have a truck, you can pay to have the village truck left at your residence and you can load it and the village will take your load to the burn pit. Call the office for more information.
- The above option with the truck is also available for the dump, fee's apply.
- CP Trains-We received a call back from CP explaining that they have heard from our office as well as concerned ratepayers, they were looking into options of rotating idling switch stations between the areas on the rail line. This way not to be idling in one Village all the time.
- The new logo, M.Ritter and J. Turrell were once again congratulated on their efforts of design. The logo will be used in many areas in the future.

- Election is coming up November 13<sup>th</sup> 2024, Admin will post more details later in the year. Consider running.
- Three new Bylaws will be in place this Spring and you will find them Online.
- -General Election-Hall Committee Bylaw- Building Bylaw-

#### Discussion:

Homebased businesses should be recognized- Upon thanking those who are new to the community and have set up and are seen on Ashley Street, community members mentioned those who are and who are not. People such as B.Cameron (Hair Dresser), C. Gorrill (Styles By Corri), J Wolf (Landscaping), B. Neufeld (Tightline Trees), S. Henfry (Younique), E.Beth (EB Glass), J. Reader (Post Office).

Citizens wondered if they would have the chance to purchase the logo on any fashion wear, pins or keychains. Costs were discussed. It may be something possible for a fundraiser or down the lines for a special event. We would need to look at the budget.

How many spots would be open for the election?

-4 Councillor Spots and the Mayor Position will all be up.

Concern over Committee Bylaw when we need Members- It was explained that this Bylaw is important to create organization and structure. It would also give some explanation to the members what their job/duty is in the committee. It would create a clearer expectation.

Concerns about Potholes- It was explained that we needed temperatures about 20 Celsius to be able to complete this project. That we would do our best on the gravel in the meantime.

The bubbling and soft spots in front of the RM building, there is concern that the snow pile from the Co-op in the winter is creating soft spots and should be piled somewhere else. It is blocking the culvert and not draining. Perhaps speaking with Co-op to come up with a better solution for the coming years on pile placement. This will be discussed further with Council.

To fix the current soft spot we need to hire a road/contractor who will have to dig deeper to fix the issue with a more solid foundation.

Expressed interest in financial statements being online- Acting Admin mentioned she was just getting things added to the website. Mayor Lovequist noted admin just finished her 3 University courses and should be more available to the office now.

Street Signs- Wondering where they are?

-Street Signs have been ordered and should be installed this month when they get here. Time and weather permitting.

A STOP sign is missing from Assiniboia and Bowden at Lorry Lane.

-Maintenance will investigate this.

Grader Condition- Has it been fixed?

-Matthew McDougall will be replacing a master cylinder. There are 2 of 4 brakes not working on one side. When the cylinder is replaced, this will fix the issue.

Community welcomed new Councillor Laine Henfrey to his role.

Mayor Cynthia Lovequist thanked everyone for coming and refreshments were enjoyed following the adjournment of the meeting.

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**Mayor**

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**Administrator**