

LONI BEACH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

2011 AUGUST 06

MINUTES

The meeting was held at Gimli New Horizons at 10:30AM. Memberships and a Sign in Sheet were available. This will assist in updating the LBRA email distribution list. Approximately 45 members were in attendance. RM of Gimli Councillor Richard Petrowski and CAO Joann King were also in attendance.

1. Leanne Squair, President LBRA welcomed everyone and commented on what a wonderful summer it has been in Loni Beach and that it was “the summer of the sewer connections”.
2. 2010 LBRA AGM Minutes- highlights read by Secretary Joan McConnell
3. Treasurer’s Report- \$2356.00 in the bank. Money can be used for a Loni Beach Parade Float, Community Special Events, Community Projects and continued support of the Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium. Possibly next year someone can be responsible for LBRA cloth bags, seedlings to plant or some other item.
4. President’s Report- Leanne stressed the importance in getting involved in the LBRA and doing some things to better the community, “ more hands make light work”. There is a need for people to organize events and participate. Encourage your friends and neighbours to get involved in the LBRA.
 - Been in Contact with Water Stewardship with the Province. Chance of flooding this Fall
 - Flood Forecast Information, including wind set up, lake levels, etc. This site also includes the ‘Lake Winnipeg Action Plan’
<http://www.gov.mb.ca/flooding/index.html>
 - Manitoba Hydro’s website with lake levels
http://www.hydro.mb.ca/corporate/water_regimes/hydrological_data.shtml
 - Contact Water Stewardship with any other question at the Stonewall office 1-204-467-4450
 - Sandbags available through RM, if deemed necessary. Contact Emergency Management Organization Coordinator, Don Emes at 641-1044
 - Will ask Public Works what the plan is to upgrade the Tennis Courts and clean up the weeds in the Children’s Playground and the ditch

- Refer to www.lonibeach.org website, many thanks to Brennan Childs for monitoring, updating and creating our website
 - Leanne will be stepping down as President, a position she has held for three years. A new LBRA President will be requested through the Slate of Officers this year. Thank you to Leanne for all her work and for liaising with the RM around the sewer and Loni Beach Public Works matters.
5. Three Motions have come forward to the LBRA and we will deal with each separately:
- 1) To support the Lake Winnipeg Research Consortium this year with a donation of \$500.00. Moved by Ron Lambert, Seconded by Daniel Levin. Carried
 - 2) To have Temporary Summer Stop Signs from the May long weekend until September long weekend to decrease speed and increase safety in Loni Beach at the following locations:
 - 4 way stop at Howell Ave & Loni St
 - 3 way stop at Howell Ave & North Lake St
 - 3 way stop at Comber Ave & Loni St
 Moved by Paula Hahlweg, Seconded by Helen ? Carried

NOTE: This Motion was presented to the RM Council meeting 2011 August 11. Richard Petrowski reviewed the three locations. This needs to go through a Resolution of RM Council.

- 3) To have the RM of Gimli review the current RM Dog Leash Bylaw "No Dogs on the Beach" and to consider having dogs on the beach at certain times of the day, before 10AM and after 6PM.

Lots of discussion on this Motion and included comments like:

- Look at what the RM of Victoria Beach has, as they allow dogs on the beach at certain hours each day
- As long as dogs are on leashes okay
- Limited beach space may be too crowded with dogs
- Fear that those other than Loni Beach property owners would come and use our beach with their dogs, if they find out we allow dogs
- How do we enforce it?
- Leave it the same for health reasons. Lake already dirty.
- People are responsible pet owners in Loni and clean up very well after their dogs

Moved by Paula Hahlweg, Seconded by Ron Lambert. Carried

NOTE: This Motion was not supported by the RM Council on 2011 August 11.

6. Elections of Officers

Leanne Squair will remain as Past President. Current Executive members that will remain are Ron Hahlweg, Joan McConnell and Jeff Modjeski. Martha Blowe nominated Campbell Alexander and Brian Squair nominated Paula Hahlweg. Both Paula and Campbell agreed to the nomination.

Many thanks to departing Executive members Pat Dorman, Ken Zulyniuk, Sheilah Redekop and Lisa Squair. You have all made Loni Beach a better place for your contributions.

7. New Business

- Glen Pollard spoke about the major weed problem around the tennis courts and kid's playground. He knows a fellow that is licensed that can spray them and will pass along his contact information. Joann from the RM mentioned that before any spraying is done it needs to be approved by the RM and a Notice goes in the Spectator that it is going to happen
- One member wanted to know if the RM had a plan for spraying public spaces? RM said they weed the ditches

8. RM Update with Councillor Richard Petrowski and CAO Joann King

- Richard introduced himself, then deferred to Joann to answer questions on the sewer
- Joann mentioned that a letter will come out from the RM with an update on the sewer project on August 15th
- She brought two forms with her, one a "Ratepayers Request for Information" form and the other a 'Service Request' form that people can fill out with any issues or concerns (put onto LBRA website, so people can download)

SEWER

- Councillor Petrowski will request that the sewer hook up deadline be extended to the end of November 2011
- Why the increase in the levy from \$10, 800.00 to \$12,669.20 ? Joann stated that there were delays with the Municipal Board Hearing and delays in Buus starting construction because residents didn't want the roads messed up in the summer.
- RM financed the project and the debenture kicks in 30 days after the work is complete
- Top soil and seeding for the ditches taken out of Buus contract. Project allows for the roads to return to a gravel surface. Buus to do further work on roads within the year, once the majority are hooked into the system. People concerned with ruts, potholes and dust.
- People want a plan for the road reclamation, gravel & oil treatment
- Capitol Road Reserve Fund has money that needs to go into the roads of Loni Beach. Nothing has been spent on the roads for years because of the

possibility for many years of a sewer. Needs more than cold patch and asphalt. We are finally here! 2012 road work will finish

- Prepayment of the Parcel Levy needs to be decided on by September 9th (this was later changed to October 13th through a letter from the RM)
- Just pay for water to carry sewage, under collection of water & sewer rates through the Public Utility Board
- What use could a water meter be? RM could supply meters to the cost of the property owner, plumber installs, need correct installation. Need to pursue

FLOODING

- Super sandbags available upon request. Some will go at the major drainage ditch in the middle of Loni Beach by the Artesian Well, if needed. Pumping out water over top of the dyke/sand bags can occur as well
- RM can arrange for a meeting with the Emergency Measures Organization (EMO) Coordinator (this was set up for August 27th in RM Council Chambers)
- EMO will be doing shoreline protection of private property and RM lands
- For shoreline protection there is a Provincial Government 'Community Dyking Program-12 programs approved for needs assessments only. Another program is for 'Properties Along Waterways'-doing 80 projects this year.

The meeting adjourned at Noon. Leanne thanked everyone for attending and it has been great to see new and old faces. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

2011-2012 Loni Beach Executive

Ron Hahlweg	President
Leanne Squair	Past President
Joan McConnell	Treasurer
Paula Hahlweg	Secretary
Jeff Modjewski	Member at Large
Campbell Alexander	Member at Large
Brennan Childs	Webmaster