

LOCAL SERVICES BOARD OF NOLALU
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 28, 2012
7:30 PM
Nolalu Community Centre

Attendance:

Board Members: Sharon Low (Chair), Lloyd Snider, Sandy Snider

Secretary/Treasurer: Karen Caren

NCC: Jack Erickson

NEST: Wayne Ahola, John O'Malley, Bob Payne, Camille Turcotte

1. Call to Order and Review of Agenda

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Without objection, the agenda was adopted as presented.

2. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. Approval of Minutes – January 24, 2012

Moved by Sandy Snider, seconded by Lloyd Snider,

THAT the minutes of January 24, 2012 as circulated, be accepted.

CARRIED

4. Financial Reports – January 2012

Moved by Lloyd Snider, seconded by Sandy Snider,

THAT the LSB expenditures of \$585.91 for administration, \$1,729.92 for recreation services and \$3,322.33 for fire protection services for a total of \$5,638.16 for the month of January 2012 be accepted; and

THAT the reserve account, petty cash and bank account transactions and balances for January 2012, as per the financial statement, have been reviewed and are hereby approved.

CARRIED

5. Updates:

5.1 NCC

Jack Erickson informed the members that February has been a busy month for NCC with programming, special events and upgrading the kitchen hood. The only program that had to be cancelled due to the

kitchen upgrades was the senior dinners. The new kitchen equipment has arrived and needs to be installed. All the old equipment and most of the ductwork have been removed. Once the hood is installed, the propane line and the suppression system will be installed. It is hoped that all the work will be done in time for the March Tough Boating Fish Derby, but if not, NCC has a back-up plan to provide food at that event.

It was noted that NCC has submitted an application to Trillium to help pay for the kitchen hood and some roof repairs. Without objection the board will defer discussion of transferring any money from the contingency fund to help cover some of the kitchen upgrades pending the outcome of the grant application.

5.2 NEST

John O'Malley noted that emergency calls have been quiet which has given the team time to do some basic maintenance on the halls. The team has also been busy purchasing newer equipment to replace older, outdated equipment.

6. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

7. New Business

7.1 Sale of Crown Lots and Severance of Real Property

The Chair noted that there is nothing new to report on these issues. No responses have been received from the letters that were sent to the Ministers and Opposition Critics. At the LSB training session held by MNDM at the end January, Sharon handed out packages of information on these issues to all the LSB's in attendance, except Armstrong and Upsala. Karen undertook to mail these packages out to them.

The committee working on these issues may meet again in March to discuss what the next steps should be to move these issues forward. Without objection, further discussion on the matter is deferred to the next meeting pending further information.

7.2 1:1 Funding for LSBs

It was noted that the board is awaiting a response from Bill Mauro, MPP on this issue. Due to the release of the Drummond Report that contained many recommendations for the Province to cut spending, it was the consensus of the Board that it may not be successful at this time in its lobbying efforts to receive additional funding from the Province.

7.3 Exclusion of Pete's Lake Property from LSB Levy

The Secretary/Treasurer noted that Linda Braun, Northern Development Officer, is now back from her leave of absence. The Secretary/Treasurer undertook to consult with Ms. Braun as to how to proceed with the formal process to remove the Pete's Lake property from the assessment roll.

7.4 Emergency Procedures Plan Committee

The Emergency Procedures Plan Committee had met twice since January. Through its efforts, there are now two kits each containing office supplies, maps, journals and plans that can be used in the event of a community emergency. A kit will be stored at each fire hall. Sharon undertook to review the wording of the emergency plan to ensure that there is reference made to the kits.

Also, the Committee sent out a questionnaire to the community requesting information on the location of various types of equipment (i.e. backhoe, ATV's, pumps, etc.) that residents have and are willing to lend/rent out in the event of an emergency. So far 16 surveys have come back. There will be an ad in the April Grassroots to remind residents to return the survey and to explain the importance of why NEST requires this information.

8. New Business:

8.1 Financial Statements – Year ended September 30, 2011

Sharon and Karen reported that they attended at the office of the Auditors on February 3, 2012 to review the Financial Statements for the year ended September 30, 2011. It was noted that everything went well with the Audit for that fiscal year, with no concerns from the Auditors. The statements will be presented to the public at the Annual General Meeting to be held in September.

It was also noted that 2011 was the final year of the five year agreement for audit services from BDO Dunwoody LLP. Sharon read the proposal from BDO to continue to provide audit services from 2012 to 2016.

Moved by Lloyd Snider, seconded by Sandy Snider,

THAT BDO Dunwoody LLP's offer to provide audit services for 2012 to 2016 for \$3,000 per year plus HST be accepted.

CARRIED

8.2 Rural Health Fair

The Rural Health Fair is scheduled for August 16, 2012 from 2 to 8 PM at the NorWest Recreation Centre. Sharon advised that she is stepping down from the organizing committee of the Rural Health Fair due to too many other commitments. The time commitment for the committee is one meeting per month, for 1 hour, with subcommittees completing specific tasks, and also attendance on the day of the Fair. Sharon requested that someone take her place, but no interest was shown, so Nolalu will go without representation on this committee.

8.3 Nolalu Logo

It was noted that incorporated municipalities have logos, and the Chair asked if the Nolalu community would be interested in a logo. A suggestion was made to have a competition and have residents submit their logo ideas. It was the consensus of all present at the meeting to put an ad in the April Grassroots requesting a submission of logos with the criteria that the logo must state Nolalu; be in colour; and may contain a slogan or community statement. Ads may be submitted electronically or on paper to the Secretary/Treasurer. The ads will be due on May 15, 2012. At the May LSB meeting, 5 of the best logos will be published in the June Grassroots with the five top logos to be published in the June Grassroots. It is yet to be determined how the winning logo will be selected.

9. Adjournment of Meeting

The next meeting is March 28, 2012 at 7:30 PM.

Moved by Lloyd Snider,

THAT there being no further business and the time being 8:25 PM, the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

Chair_____

Secretary/Treasurer_____