

**Minutes
Furdale AGM – Tuesday April 26, 2022**

**Hamlet of Furdale
Annual General Meeting
Saskatoon Golf & Country Club
Tuesday April 26, 2022**

Board Members: Bob Lockhart, Chairman
 Ron Ritz
 Eric Quail

Guests: Kevin Golding – Subdivision Presentation
 Representatives of R.M. of Corman Park
 -Judy Harwood, Reeve
 -Ken Kolb, Chief Administrative Officer
 -Lyndon Haduik, Division 3 Counsellor
 -Ron Chomyn, Police Chief

Minutes: Prepared by Eric Quail

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Bob Lockhart. Approximately 50 people were present at the meeting.
- 2) The following items were added to the Agenda
 - Lynn Blair - Coyotes
 - Kaz Pacholik - Expand e-mail service
- 3) Welcome to guests, new residents and existing residents.
- 4) Minutes of the December 8, 2021 AGM meeting were read aloud by Eric Quail.
 - Motion by Lynn Blair to accept the minutes, seconded by Dane Kostenuk. Motion passed.
- 5) Financial reports for 2021 were presented by Ron Ritz.
 - As of December 31, 2021 there is a reserve of \$203,005.56. A motion to accept the financial report was made by Lynn Blair and seconded by Kathy Lockhart. Motion passed.
- 6) 2022 Furdale hamlet budget presented by Ron Ritz.
 - The board is working with RM of Corman Park with a best value approach to not let the roads deteriorate. The focus is on repairs without refurbishment. A motion to accept the 2022 budget was made by Tennille Knezacek and seconded by Kathy Lockhart. Motion passed.

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Furdale Hamlet Budget 2022

Administrative expenses	\$500
Fire Hydrant inspection	\$125
Snow Removal	\$5,000
Mowing	\$1,000
Street Sweeping	\$300
Asphalt repairs	\$5,000
Sign replace/repair	\$1,000
Garbage/Recycle	\$25,000
Septic pump-outs	\$10,000
Greenspace/walking paths	\$10,000
Community planning	\$2,000
Estimated total	\$59,925

Note: Extensive refurbishment of Reginald is needed. We are in discussion with the RM as to the best approach to doing this. Estimates are in the \$300,000 range. We do not anticipate starting this until 2023.

7) A call for nominations for the board position on the hamlet was opened.

- Lydon Haduik nominated Tennille Knezacek. Tennille accepted the nomination. A motion to cease the nomination was made by Lynn Blair and seconded by Kathy Lockhart. Motion passed.

8) Bob Lockhart read the Chairman's report.

- In the four months since our 2021 AGM, our board has been working with the RM on road repair costs.
- The Director of Public Works at the time, had charged us \$52K for the work.
- That Director is no longer with the RM, and the position has not been filled.
- The final cost on repairs was higher than anticipated, as the RM was charging us for delivery and use of RM equipment. This had not been done before, as our tax dollars are used to purchase equipment.
- Jet Patch repairs were done in 2020, on schoolhouse street, but were never charged to the Hamlet. We made arrangements for that payment to be made in 2021.
- We continue to work with the RM on appropriate repair scenarios for our roads, Reginald being the most urgent.
- We as a board, continue to discuss proposals, planning and repairs that will enhance Furdale as an excellent place to live. The budget and community plan, hopefully, reflect the wishes of our residents.
- A motion to accept the financial report was made by Tennille Knezacek and seconded by Kathy Lockhart. Motion passed.

9) Judy Harwood presented RM report.

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- The RM is busy. There is a lot of commercial, and residential development.
- Compared to other RMs in Saskatchewan, the RM of Corman Park is #4 in assessment value and #12 in population.
- There is no rural crime watch area in Furdale. There is no Community Association in Furdale. Judy encourages Furdale to set these up so we can watch each other. There is a provincial crime watch group. Establishing this in a small community is relatively easy.
- \$30K grant program by Sask lotteries. For delivery of sport, culture and recreation. Money could go towards upgrade of park area. Judy feels Furdale should qualify for this.
- Fall Elections upcoming for Wards 2,4,6,8.

10) Lyndon Haduik discussed 2 grass fires today east of Grasswood.

11) Ken Kolb presented RM report

- Director of Public Works has been hired and is Deborah Lewko who comes from the ministry of Highways.
- Upcoming Corporate changes include adding governance and legislation, freedom of information and bylaw enforcement as well as creation of Corporate services and IT services functions. With changes can provide more efficient and effective public service as a corporation.
- A lot happening and a good story to be told. Hiring communication officer, updating web page, being open and transparent, publishing budget and having a presence on social media.
- In 2021 raised \$21.2M in revenues. In Public Works 800 miles of roads. Pressures are fuel cost increases. Increase in mill rate by 2.9%, Saskwater increased utility rate by 4%.

12) Ron Chomyn, presented police report

- 40th year policing. Worked with Saskatoon Police Services for 24 years and for CPR Police for 16 years. This is my first 4 months policing a large RM.
- RM police work with the RCMP on criminal matters and have an excellent relationship. Currently seeing a lot of impaired drivers in Saskatchewan. Majority are by drugs. There is a need for new equipment to measure THC, cocaine, meth.
- Have a good relationship with SGI for supporting High visibility check stops.
- Cannabis impairment is 4 ng (nanograms) per ml of blood. Depends on ingestion, smoking, male or female. There are 7 to 8 factors considered. Standardized field sobriety test used in absence. 24 ng/ml (6x legal limit) is provided by the crown prosecutor so there is no doubt the individual has THC in blood.
- Police resources total 11 (2 part time, 7 full time, 1 sergeant, 1 chief)
- Check stops done on days off. Salary paid by SGI (MADD). New program posts signs of where impaired drivers have been caught

13) Kevin Golding presentation on Furdale subdivision

- My purpose was to gather ideas and comments as to what needed to be done for Furdale to subdivide. This is the first time we have met as a group.

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- Nov 19, 2019 Furdale Board plebiscite: 70% in favor to collect more information on subdivision. This information is being presented today.
- It was a slow process, COVID made it slower, consulted with RM of Corman Park. Sask Health Authority needs to be involved with waste water.
- Comprehensive Development Review (CDR) is required to subdivide.
 - A lot of information sharing is required that must be based on 65 re-zoning lots (Furdale might have 10 but must plan for 65).
 - Several consultant reports are necessary such as surface drainage, drinking water, sewage, etc.
 - There are a lot of “what ifs” we cannot answer until a CDR is initiated and also no guarantees as the RM Planning Department and Saskatchewan Health Authority have the final say.
 - Silver Sky Country Residential – economics got in the way
- Lets look at the heart of the matter
 - What do we as a community want Furdale to look like in 10-20 years.
 - We need to take time to talk and listen to each other.
 - This is a critical decision and should be based on how we as a community feel about Furdale’s future and character. There are both positives and negatives like increased population density, increased tax revenue, increased traffic, decreased privacy, etc.
 - What are all the of the consequences of splitting a 5 acres parcel into two?
- Which vision of Furdale has the most support today: Yes or No. Your vote should be based on the social fabric, character and vision of Furdale and not the cost to complete a CDR.
 - What do we want as a community?

13.1) Questions

- Discussion on previous votes on subdivision and how they lead up to vote today. On Nov 19, 2019 Furdale Board plebiscite resulted in 70% in favor to collect more information and present to community. This is what was done today with K. Golding presentation and this vote.
- The community can still address the issue of subdivision again in the future.
- If 9.2 acres parcel or larger do not need permission to subdivide.
- Agreed to vote by ballot.
- Agreed that there should be one vote per household.
- Dwight Makaroff suggested changing the question to be action orientated. Discussion ensued and it was decided that todays question would not be changed.

13.3) Proceeded with voting on the following question relating to sub-division of Furdale.

- **“Are you in favor of increased population density, for the hamlet of Furdale, through sub-division?”** “Moved by K. Golding, seconded by R. Ritz.
- **Vote results: “No” = 18, “Yes” = 14**
- **Action:** As per the vote result the Furdale Board will take no further action in regards to subdivision of Furdale.

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14) Presentation by Eric Quail on the Furdale Community Plan

- **“Knowing where we are going is the first step to getting there”**
- What is a community plan?
 - A collective vision for the Hamlet of Furdale, built by the community and followed by the Furdale board.
 - A living document that is reviewed and updated every 4 years.
 - A proactive document that is readily available to the community.
- What does a community plan do?
 - Captures our history, understands our present, creates our future
 - Works in conjunction with the Furdale Board’s strategic plan, how priorities are set and goals are achieved.
 - Forms a foundation and direction for successive boards to build upon and represent the needs of the community.
- What will be included in the community plan.
 - Our vision and goals.
 - Quality of life (health, well-being, community events).
 - Moving around (roads, sidewalks, pathways) and protecting our roads.
 - Economic diversity and prosperity
 - Other
- How do we build the community plan.
 - Creation of a volunteer work group that is representative of Furdale.
 - A call to action was brought forward for people interested in volunteering for this project to reach out to and contact Eric Quail.
 - Work group to engage the community and create a community plan that will be presented to the Furdale community for approval .

15) Discussion on Coyotes

- Lynn Blair asked RM to address issue with coyotes. Somebody will get bit.
- RM said to call police if coyotes and they will address issue.

16) Discussion on expanding email service

- Ron Ritz discussed current “proton” emails platform which appears to be working well.

17) Board position

- 3rd and final call for nominations was made for the position on the Hamlet Board. None were made. Tennille Knezacek was elected to the board. Motion was made by Kathy Lockhart and seconded by Ron Ritz. Bob Lockhart was thanked for his work on the board.

18) Lynn Blair thanked Lyndon Haduik for clearing snow from the end of Reginald

19) Motion to Adjourn Meeting by Lynn Blair, Seconded by Ron Ritz. Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm.