

ARROWHEAD PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (APRA)

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Enfield Vol Fire Hall

6:30pm Wednesday, November 22nd, 2023

“Acknowledge that we are in Mi’kma’ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi’kmaq people.”

1. ATTENDANCE AND MINUTES:

Tina Gauvin, Robert MacKenzie, Craig Cox, Patricia Lyall, Bob Wilson, Diana LeCoure, Ian McKenzie, Brad Hodgins, Anthony Horne, Michael Seniuk, Eli Elias, William and Samantha Rosebotham, Ella Holmes, Neal Andreino, Dave and Lyndia Lutwick, Joseph Heukshorst, Cam and Gordon Jeffrey, Kelly Ash, Kara McCurdy.

Meeting Minutes from 31st May, 2023 Motion Craig / Ian *Approved*

2. GUEST SPEAKER: Kara McCurdy, Wildfire Prevention Officer NS DNRR “Level of Wildfire Risk in Arrowhead & Are Our Roads safe for Evacuation?”

- a. Wildfire risks and losses in forested suburban areas increasing yet homeowners and associations can plan and take action to make their areas safer.
- b. Kara did windshield survey of Arrowhead; we scored less than 50% compliant on 7 out of 10 ignition criteria. Arrowhead is high risk. She will help Association do plan. Some funding may help clear our road ROWs of trees and brush (4.1m clearance).
- c. Members suggested “dry hydrants” can help. Executive to follow up.
- d. Wildland Fire Hazard Assessment Form almost completed. Will be distributed. Learn more at FireSmartCanada.ca

3. BUSINESS ARISING:

Large potential land developments and regulations: Municipality stated; no more than 3 lots can be created at end of Feather Lane (formally Burri lots), and for 3 Crane lots each 30 acres – only a few lots can be created but for larger subdivisions a new road is required and Arrowhead Drive upgraded to public road out to Cochrane Road.

4. BUDGET 2024

Treasurer Pat presented budget (distributed earlier) and answered questions.

- a. \$31,785 for 2024 projects a normal year total, plus the 5% EH administration fee of \$1,589 for a total proposed budget year of \$33,374. Motion Pat / Bob *Budget Approved*.
- b. Our current 2023 year incurred \$17,336 in unbudgeted flood damage costs, making it a hard year. Motion: Bob / Ian to request municipality waive the 5% fee due to unbudgeted flood damage repairs, and to be consistent with HRM that does not charge an administration fee for their private roads. *Motion Approved*

5. UPDATES:

- a. Flood damage repair: Lock 6 Park will be closed until the Spring or until funding is received through the NS Flood Disaster Assistance Fund.
- b. Recovering Association flood damage repair costs of \$17,336 through above NS Flood Disaster Relief Fund.
- c. Horne Settlement Road detour from flood damage. NS Department of Public Works best estimate of road opening is May/June. MLA John A. MacDonald to meet Chief Engineer next week to try to speed up repair project. *Consensus* Association write Minister of PW or the Premier if MLA not able to get road open before May. All residents urged to contact the province to speed up work to end detour.
- d. Road update: Bob reported road is in excellent condition. Our regular Fall road work (yesterday) was 5 loads class A, light grading and rolling (\$4,591 Basin Ltd). He also reported that the 3 large lots accessing Arrowhead Drive, have been sold to the municipality. *Consensus:* Executive to contact municipality to verify if East Hants or their regional water utility have purchased these lands, and if so how will it impact Arrowhead.

6. ADJOURNMENT (7:38)

Many thanks to Enfield Vol Fire Department for the Hall rental.

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