

## HAMLET OF KRONAU

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*"Building Community through Awareness and Collaboration"*

## HAMLET OF KRONAU ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

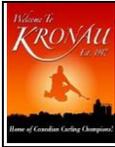
Monday, March 17, 2025

6:30 PM

Kronau Curling Rink

### PRESENT:

- Board members: Josh Morris, Mack Ragan, Jen Resch
  - RM Representative: Mason Resch, Armond Gervais
  - Hamlet Residents & Others: 14 community members
1. **Called to order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by Josh Morris
  2. **Introductions:** The board members took a moment to introduce themselves and the RM representatives.
  3. **Adoption of the Agenda:** Motion to adopt the agenda: Chad Jarton, seconded by Rick Fortner ~carried
  4. **Adoption of 2024 AGM Minutes:** The minutes were read by Josh. Motion to adopt the 2024 minutes as read: Gary, seconded Lance Resch ~carried
  5. **Annual Report:** Annual report was ready by Josh. Please see the attached Appendix #1 for the report.
  6. **Financial Report:** There was 1 document distributed outlining 2024 spending and the proposed budget for the upcoming year. In the general account, we are forecasting revenues of about \$341,348 and expenses of about \$207,000. In the water sewer account, which is really just sewer, we are forecasting revenues of about \$70,300 and expenses of about \$27,510.
    - a. **Questions/discussion from the report:**
      - i. Shop – transferring \$250,000 from reserves – where is the rest coming from?
        1. Loan through the RM – 25 year loan
        2. Insurance claim
        3. Cash - \$
      - ii. Hall expenses – what are the plans? This is a building not providing a service to the town, so what are we doing?
        1. No one has come forward with any suggestions to run



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- or take responsibility for the hall.
2. The expenses are about \$10,000 a year for a building that is not getting used.
- iii. Would the town shop take over that footprint?
  1. No – the town shop will be getting put behind the rink.
- iv. When will a decision be made?
  1. It is not on the list of projects for the 2025 budget.
  2. The RM has been investigating costs associated with creating a rental space, which would be an added expense.
  3. There would also be special rules associated with creating a rental space.
  4. The land is still not owned by the Hamlet, so no decision can be made until that time. It needs to be taken in tax enforcement, and we do not know how long that will take.
- v. Will the decision be presented to the town?
  1. Yes.

Motion to adopt the 2025 budget: Colin, seconded by Cindy ~carried.

### 7. Open Floor:

- a. **Hamlet Employee** - Value having a paid employee knowing there is a representative around town helps people to feel safe. Thank you Chad.
- b. **New town shop** – will be breaking ground as soon as possible. We have not gone to tender yet, but we will continue to update at our monthly meetings. The previous town shop will be demolished, but we will retain the area as compound.
- c. **Main Street** – a request was made to make the entrance to town to spruce up the area a little more. The board will investigate some options.

**8. Motion to Adopt the date of 2026 AGM:** Motion to Adopt Monday, March 16, 2026 as the next AGM date: Angel Ell, seconded by Chad Jarton.

**9. Election of Hamlet Board Member:** No election was held as there were no positions up.

To recap position terms, Mason's position falls under the RM voting process and his term is up in 2028; Josh's term is up in 2026; Mack's term is up in 2027; Jen's term is up in 2028.



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**10. Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn the meeting: Chad Jarton, seconded by Paul Fischer.

### **Appendix #1**

Thank you for coming out tonight.

Our Hamlet mandate is "Building community through awareness and collaboration". The last year had a lot of successes and some areas where we could grow a little.

Our monthly meeting turnout continues to fluctuate. During the RM elections we saw a large number of residents turn out to ask questions and seek clarity. Throughout the entirety of the year, we have consistently met on the first Monday of every month. We try to post a reminder to attend a few days prior on the Hamlet and Kronau Facebook pages. We continue to encourage residents of Kronau to come out, not only if they have a problem or grievance, but to stay educated in what is happening around town, ask questions, and gain a better insight into how we are working toward enhancing our community. If you would like to stay informed about what has been discussed at any of our monthly meetings, please visit the RM website as the minutes are posted once they are approved at the following monthly meeting.

This year we decided to hire a full-time employee, Chad Jarton, who helped oversee our seasonal employees, maintenance of equipment, and road work. The addition of this position meant timely responses to concerns. It also resulted in a very successful winter season. Roads were cleared and maintained in a remarkable amount of time.

We have been working with a designer to create a new town sign. We have finalized the graphic and will be unveiling the new sign early summer. In addition to the sign, we will also continue to maintain the flower bed and add lighting to make this area more noticeable.

We continued to address drainage issues on Somsen by grading the road and ensure the culverts were functioning properly. We also continued some ditching and drainage around town. In addition, we installed some posts to help reduce the breakdown of the curves/corners.

We are continuing to monitor our tree growth around town and are planning to investigate any areas that require replanting. We will continue to investigate ways to ensure the trees are successful.



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Finally, we plan to break ground and begin construction of our town shop this summer.

We would like to close by thanking everyone in the community for their ongoing support. We strive to continue to enhance our community for the better. It is our goal to be as open and transparent as possible. We always appreciate everyone's feedback and suggestions. We look forward to seeing you all out at our next meeting scheduled for Monday, April 7.