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# HAMLET OF KRONAU MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Aug. 12, 2024 at 6:30 PM Kronau Curling Rink

1. Call to Order: 6:30pm

2. Attendance: 8 community members present

3. Conflict of Interest: ~none~

4. Adoption of agenda: ~carried~

**5.** Minutes distributed and adoption of minutes: ~carried~

6. Old Business:

# a. Tree Replacement

- i. New seedlings were put into the ground at the end of June and again in mid-July. We have been filling in when the trees die.
- **ii.** The water table is quite high, which is good for the new trees to take off.
- **iii.** It appears that animals are stealing some of the saplings once they are planted. We will continue to monitor and replace them if necessary.
- iv. The Hamlet crew has been monitoring them while watering. We may look into planting some larger trees to fill the gaps next spring if necessary.

## b. Surveying the lot on Somsen for 2<sup>nd</sup> Culvert

- i. This should help with the drainage in this area as it was an area of concern during the winter thaw and currently now that we have had a lot of rain.
- **ii.** RM will send a letter to notify the property owner that this is happening.



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**iii.** They will be coming tomorrow, Aug. 13 to perform the survey.

#### c. Crusher Dust

- i. The Hamlet crew have been filling and leveling many of the roads with gravel to help correct pot hole issues.
- ii. We also brought in a few loads of clay mix to also fill in some of the dips and holes around town. This will be an ongoing process to keep our roads up.

## d. Caragana Hedge Removal (Wayne Lane & Main St.)

- i. Was cut down last fall as it was causing some drifting issues. As a result, it could cause drifting in different areas.
- ii. We will look at putting a snow fence in this area to help protect those areas.
- **iii.** We also have permission to create ridges in the fields to help stop snow as well.

## e. Service Road Dirt (near Main St.)

- i. Can we get the dirt cleaned up as water pools and it begins to stink
- ii. Mason has talked to highways, who are trying to not take responsibility for it. He has also talked to the RM to see what we can do to deal with this issue. A culvert would not work as we cannot drain it onto someone's lot.
- **iii.** In the meantime, Chad has tried to clean-up the spot and push it away with the bucket.
- **iv.** Mason will continue to investigate putting in a French Drain in that area.

## f. Gravel

i. Some gravel has been brought in the late fall (Matthew, Koochin)



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and early spring (Railway, portion of Matthew).

**ii.** For the time being, the area we get the gravel from (RM) is very sandy. When the gravel is available, the RM will be bringing it. The speed bumps will need to be lifted at this time.

## g. Dust Control in town

- Dianne has sent a request for us to look into a dust control to Facebook Messenger. We will review this information and followup.
- **ii.** The board reviewed the information shared. It appears this would cost the hamlet roughly \$25,000 to do. As we are nearing the end of summer, we will revisit this in the early Spring and provide more information and details for the hamlet residents.
- **iii.** Once dust control is laid, we are not able to maintain the roads as it disappears if additional gravel is laid on top.
- **iv.** Another option is watering the streets to help keep the dust down.
- **v.** We will continue to discuss these options and present options to the taxpayers to get their insight.
- **vi.** We will ask Lynette from the RM to send out a survey to the town to see their opinions/ideas.

#### 7. New Business:

a. Somsen Culvert Update - See Old Business for update-

#### b. Koochin Barricades

- i. The inside corner is deteriorating people are taking the corner a little sharper. We have put up barricades for the time being to prevent people from driving where they should not.
- ii. We are looking at repairing this corner and building it up in the fall or early spring.



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- **iii.** The RM will be coming to take a look at this and make a timeline for the repairs.
- iv. We will also look at repairing Railway and Matthew corner as well.

# 8. Open Floor:

## a. E-bikes/E-scooters

- i. There are some kids who are using these and not following traffic rules.
- **ii.** The RM could make a bi-law enforcing these rules. We are going to instead approach the families and make some social media posts reminding people of traffic rules.
- **iii.** Currently, the hamlet does not enforce traffic laws you could call the RCMP if you have any traffic issues.

## b. KADER firetruck inquiry:

i. This was purchased by the RM, not the Hamlet.

## c. Thank you, Chad!

i. There was a thank you for all the work that Chad has been doing this summer to keep the town clean.

# d. Whipper Snip Request:

- i. We cannot whipper snip right up to people's property lines as there is a risk of damage. If there is a concern, we can send a letter requesting people take care of the issue.
- 9. Next meeting: Monday, Sept. 9 (due to holiday Monday) @ 6:30pm

**10.Adjourn**: 7:05pm