

R.M. OF LUMSDEN No. 189
MINUTES OF THE SPRING RATEPAYER'S MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7TH, 2010

The Lumsden Rural Municipal council convened a spring ratepayer's supper meeting in the Lumsden Community Hall, on the evening of Wednesday, April 7th, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. with Agriculture Committee Chairman, Councillor Tom Harrison presiding.

Present:	Reeve:	Jim Hipkin
	Councillors:	Jim Atcheson, Kent Farago, Tom Harrison, Bill Marquardt, Dale Srochenski
	Administrator:	Wayne Zerff
	Assistant Administrator:	Darcie Cooper
	Mgr. of Public Works:	Don Barnett
	Attendees:	Approximately 80 ratepayers
Absent:	Councillors:	Al Szeles

The evening began with Cocktails at 5:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Supper and 7:30 p.m. the meeting portion of the evening began.

Councillor Harrison called the ratepayer's meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and introduced the members of Council, Administration, Manager of Public Works and the Agricultural Committee. Councillor Harrison welcomed the ratepayer's to the meeting and extended thanks to the Lions for operating the bar and to the caterer, Sheila McNally for catering the supper.

Presentations:

Leafy Spurge Report

- Nelson Sabine provided the ratepayers with a report on Leafy Spurge weed control and the North Plains Leafy Spurge group. Nelson provided general information regarding Leafy Spurge and an update on the Group and their activities. He indicated that they have chemical left for the control of leafy spurge and that the ratepayer's should contact him if they are interested in obtaining some.

RCMP Report:

- Lumsden Detachment RCMP Constables Stacey Cooke and Emmanuel Charette Provided the ratepayers with information on a new law passed last year in Saskatchewan being the Trespass and Property Act.
- Constables answered questions from the ratepayers ranging from signage requirements, All Terrain Vehicle enforcement, parties being held on private land and moving farm equipment on public roads.

Agricultural Producers Association of Saskatchewan (APAS) Report:

- Nial Kuyek, with APAS, provided a power point presentation to the ratepayers regarding the APAS organization, some of their initiatives and member benefits.

Municipal Report

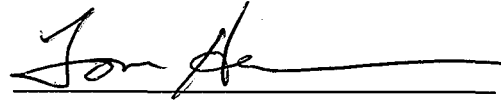
- Reeve Jim Hipkin provided a report on the municipality including the upcoming retirement of Administrator, Wayne Zerff and the succession plan that has been put in place, whereas Darcie Cooper, currently the Assistant Administrator will take over the Administrator position and Krystal Strong will take over the Assistant Administrator position. Reeve Hipkin, provided an update on the Official Community Plan review.
- Reeve Hipkin also gave a background history on council's last experience with the APAS organization. Questions were received from the Ratepayers regarding APAS and how council will go about addressing whether or not to become members. Reeve Hipkin indicated that it would be have to be discussed at an upcoming council meeting and perhaps a ratepayer vote would be held on the issue.

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The Agricultural Committee held a 50/50 fundraiser for Haiti Relief. The total raised from the 50/50 raffle was \$190.00. Bruce Ritter won the 50/50 draw and wanted his share of the winnings (\$95.00) donated to Haiti Relief as well. Administration will make the donation to the Red Cross for Haiti Relief and wishes to thank everyone for their generous contributions.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.



Chairman



Administrator