## Deputy Mayor Report March 15, 2018

I would firstly like to acknowledge and thanks Mayor Michael Harney for so ably leading the public discussion at our February 2018 meeting. One of the commitments of this current Council was to conduct Village business in an open and transparent manner and invite more public input. Hopefully more residents will attend meetings and join in on these conversations.

I was delighted with the response to Council's request for community volunteers. At the February meeting we had two resident volunteer for the FCSS committee, two more for the Firesmart committee and two other volunteers for the one community member position available on the Joint Lagoon Committee. Thanks to these individuals for their willingness to volunteer time and effort in our Village.

The Family and Community Social Services (FCSS) Committee held its first meeting on February 21, 2018. Mr. Wayne Anderson was elected as Chairman. Along with Sue Hidgens-Wilcox and Gordon Drybrough, ably assisted by our CAO Rudolf Liebenberg, the Committee recommended funding for two current proposals and will advertising for additional proposals/applications as well as developing a brochure outlining FCSS funding guidelines.

The Firesmart Committee, consisting of myself as Chair, along with Mr. Mike Buda and Ms. Allison Jackson met for the first time on February 26, 2018. This Committee identified some priorities and will be contacting Sturgeon County Fire Services requesting a tour of the Summer Village to assist in pointing out required Firesmart features.

Now that the Summer Village has named a Director and Deputy Director of Emergency Management, I will be meeting with them in the near future to review our current Emergency/Disaster Policy and Procedures. Training for elected members of the Regional Emergency Advisory Committee is scheduled for March 17, 2018, followed by a meeting of that committee.

Respectfully submitted

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