Deputy Mayor Report April 19, 2018

During the month of March 2018 I have been involved in two activities on behalf of the Summer Viilage.

Ste Anne Summer Villages Regional Emergency Advisory Committee

This advisory committee has been set up and is comprised of all elected officials from the 12 summer villages in Lac Ste Ane County East. I am our representative, with Mayor Harney acting as the Alternate.

The Advisory Committee met on March 24, 2018 to review and revise the appointment of representiatives of the Committee, discuss the terms of reference for both the Advisory Committee and Ste Anne Summer Villages Regional Advisory Management Agency. This latter group is the working group and consists of the various Directors and Deputy Directors of Emergency Management from each summer village. A budget for calendar year 2018 was proposed. It is proposed that each summer village pay a proportional cost to fund the Agency and at a rate of \$4.00 per property in the summer village.

I would suggest that the Summer Village of Sandy Beach approve this expenditure.

Firesmart Committee

The Firsesmart Committee met with Sturgeon County Fire Chief Pat Mahoney on March 29, 2018.

The Committee, along with the Chief and our Director of Emergency Management discussed aspect of firesmart and then toured the Village.

Sturgeon County fire services is prepared to visit residents in the Summer Village and provide information regarding homeowner firesmart information and will coordinate a date with our Committee.

The Committee recommends that the Summer Village provide individual address signs for each property within the Summer Village as well as revised street signage, including directional signs for the location of lot numbers. There is \$1,500.00 allocated in the 2018 operating budget approved for this purpose.

It is also suggested that Administration prepare a complete listing of all property addressed within the Village and further that a locator service be contacted to mark utility lines in order the Summer Village Public Works can properly install a metal sign post for the address signs for each property. Finally it is suggested that an approved sign maker be contacted and contracted to manufacture these signs.

Respectfully submitted

Gordon Drybrough, Deputy Mayor

Minutes of the Firesmart Committee Meeting March 29, 2018

1. Opening

The Firesmart Committee Meeting was held at the Summer Village Administration Building.

Chairman Drybrough called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

2. Present

Gordon Drybrough, Chairman, Allison Jackson, Mike Buda, Milos Tajeck, Director of Emergency Management, Pat Mahoney, District Fire Chief, Sturgeon County.

3. Discussion

There was a discussion about the importance of firesmart mitigation strategies for the safety of all summer village residents as well as the need to further promote firesmart information and awareness.

Chief Mahoney indicated member of Sturgeon County Fire Services would be willing to come to the SV and go door-to-door with homeowner information. It was agreed that the Committee will coordinate a date and advertise this important event.

4. Tour

The attendees then toured throughout the Summer Village. The issue of a lack of clearly identifiable addresses on individual properties as well as either the poor location or inadequate size of street signs, as well as a lack of noting where various lots were located. The Committee determined that erecting proper, highly visible and well located signage is a priority item as part of a Firesmart programme.

It was noted that the commercial campground and Girl Guide Camp have not been contacted nor involved to date with any discussion regarding Firesmart. The Committee recommended that both groups be contacted.

As a result of the tour, some further discussion around the proper location and storage of propane tanks attached to RVs parked on residences as well as within the commercial campground was suggested.

Access to the underground water storage system as the Administration building as well as the reservoir located in the main beach was discussed and requires further study.

It was suggested that perhaps the local water hauler could be approached to have a full tank of water on hand overnight and weekends as a potential supply of water for fire services.

It was also discussed that the Committee have access to all current By-Laws and Policies related to fire, fire pits and such, and that copies of these be forwarded to Chief Mahoney.

5. New Business

Motion #004/0329: Moved by Mike Buda that the Council of the Summer Village of Sandy Beach proceed to purchase and install street/road signs, including lot identifiers and house address signs for each property within the Summer Village.

CARRIED.

It was discussed that all signs be in the standardized blue with white lettering format and be reflective. As metal posts were suggested to individual household address signs, it may be necessary to have utility lines located and marked prior to the installation. It is hoped that all signs can be installed by June 30, 2018.

Administration will be asked to provide a list of all residential properties and obtain a price quotation from an approved provider. It was noted that \$1,500 has been allocated in the 2018 SV budget for signs.

6. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 11: 35 am

Gordon Drybrough, Chairmen

Date