

Resort Village of Kannata Valley



**Annual Ratepayer Meeting 2021
Resort Village of Kannata Valley
Sunday August 22, 2021
Silton Town Hall**

Present Mayor Don Sangster
Councillor Colin Hildred Councillor Louis Desautels
Councillor Kyle Klevgaard
Administrator Kimberly Downing
Residents 44 in attendance

Absent Councillor Tom Fink

Call to Order Mayor Don Sangster called the meeting to order at 10:05am

**Minutes – Annual
General Meeting 2019** Minutes of 2019 adopted as posted on website.

Opening Remarks **Mayor Don Sangster**
-spoke of new council and how well they work together to better the village.
-council has a non-formal strategic plan for this term.
-Official Community Plan and new Zoning Bylaw are being developed.
-2021 budget saw an increase to the mill rate to 5.3 to maintain a balanced budget.
-2021 property evaluations from SAMA saw an increase for some and a decrease for others.
-we will be updated some of our outdated bylaws over the winter months (trailer, nuisance)
-we are presently looking at the feasibility of a boundary alteration to include Rock Ridge
Condominium Development. The change will make Kannata Valley slightly larger to over 100
permanent residents which may open opportunities for more grants and other government
assistance down the road.

REPORTS

Mayor Don Sangster:
-Water Security Agency has conducted their annual review of the water treatment plant and
Lagoon and both inspections went well.
-we will be looking at and planning a major upgrade to our water delivery infrastructure to ensure
a strong stable future over the next couple of years.
-capital levy on the utility bills will increase once we have approval from the provincial
government.
-we had struggles with the July 2021 utility billing due to technical difficulties (office machines,
internet, meter reader, and computer program glitches). The interest charged on the July billing
will be reversed once council passes a motion for approval.
-Auto deposit for etransfers – administration is having a problem getting it to approve in the
banking system. Administration will continue to work on this once we know more, we will
update.
-Lagoon usage agreement with the Rural Municipality of Longlaketon is up for renewal this year.

Councillor Louis Desautels:
-2020 Financial Audit is done and has been adopted by council.
-Village is in good financial state.
-Mill rate has increased to 5.3.
-2021 budget was passed at the end of March 2021.
-Lagoon has a good financial position.
-costs increased in spring 2021 for repairs to the main water line.
-RTS costs for tree chipping increased this year with damage to trees during the storms this
summer.

- Roads - are in good shape.
- SGI grant has been approved to address the speed bumps and install new ones.
- ICIP grant approved to improve the drainage for the village, work will start in 2022.
- we have applied to Federation of Canadian Municipalities for a grant to assist with asset planning.
- Agreement with Saskatchewan Beach for Rigby Road has been renewed for three (3) years.

Councillor Kyle Klevgaard:

- responsible boat launch and beach area
- water levels continue to be a concern for our lake.
- boat slips – space continues to be a concern as the water levels in the lake cause problems.
- boat dock has had two (2) new sections installed this summer, so it goes right to the beach now.
- new boat launch keys were available this spring starting in June and the deposit is \$100, lock has been changed.
- beach being cleaned twice a week.

Councillor Colin Hildred:

- emergency preparedness and RTS areas of responsibility.
- working on a plan for fire suppression in our environment reserve (Highlands).
- RTS – Dennis is doing a great job running the RTS for the village.
- tree chipping costs have doubled with the storms we have had this summer.
- there is a plan to build up the roads around the big bins.

General Discussion from the Floor:

- ruts by big bins
 - request to look at 2 lines if going to replace main water line, so don't have to lose service.
 - present drainage culverts work well.
 - concern over boat launch key allowed for Rock Ridge.
 - tots for water storage behind back lots and where can they be obtained (council to refer to supplier).
 - fire suppression training.
 - more information on the boundary alteration of Rock Ridge Development.
 - financial audit on website ahead of AGM.
 - request a clear accurate financial analysis of Rock Ridge becoming part of Kannata Valley.
 - Rock Ridge will have to follow all our bylaws.
 - boat slip sizes.
 - manure pile located in High Country Estates leaching into our water system, RM of Longlaketon must enforce, we have raised our concerns.
 - copy of letter to Rock Ridge and copy to residents.
 - communication to residents to become more frequent.
 - fireworks application and permits, not everyone is applying.
- Bylaws:
- council does not walk up and down the village to enforce we have contracted the Commissionaires to do that, and they come out once a week.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:55am.