

The 2009 Spring Ratepayers' meeting was held in the Sunset Estates Community Hall on Monday, April 6, 2009. There were approximately 79 ratepayers in attendance plus 33 invited guests.

Reeve Dan Greschuk called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. welcoming everyone and thanking Agar's Catering for supper. He then appointed Jack Hay and Grattan O'Grady as the resolutions committee for tonight's meeting and went on to introduce the evening's invited guests, Council and the Committee's of Council and the new Administrator.

RM  
Honorarium

Dan honored Al Trimble as the recipient of the Municipality's Certificate of Recognition for 2009.

Mr. Trimble took an opportunity to say a few words.

Reeve's  
Remarks

Reeve Dan Greschuk presented the municipal report of 2008 expenditures and 2009 programs.

Reeve Greschuk reported on the RM's 2008 projects mentioning:

- ? ? Road grade improvements
- ? ? road gravel & grading
- ? ? dust control
- ? ? business license policy
- ? ? 2008 capital expenditures

He went on to report on the RM's proposed 2009 projects noting:

- ? ? 2009 road projects
- ? ? 2009 capital expenditures
- ? ? Ditch mowing
- ? ? RM equipment rental for grasshopper & gopher control

Finally, Reeve Greschuk briefly commented on the following municipal issues and requested ratepayer feedback

- ? ? emergency services
- ? ? regulatory matters
- ? ? school tax

Reeve Greschuk also noted the RM web site and asked ratepayers for their comments and guidance in developing long-range goals and policies for the RM. He also stated that as a result of increasing costs, especially fuel and contracted roadwork, the 2009 municipal mill rate would have to be increased.

Moved by Robin Wilson and seconded by Jerry Hrechuk:  
That resolutions now be closed.

Carried.

Res.

Moved by Merv Zurevinsky and seconded by Paul Epp:  
That the RM change the \$10,000 RM acreage fee:

- a) lower the \$10,000 to \$6,500 per new lot
- b) raise the fire fighting allowance from \$,1000 to \$3,000 per lot.

12 votes in favor

14 voters opposed

Lost.

Questions:

- ? ? PCS Allan tailings pile environmental report
- ? ? Business license certificate
- ? ? Bylaw enforcement on weekends
- ? ? Tarping bylaw
- ? ? Snow plow clubs
- ? ? Terex scraper use
- ? ? Noxious weeds finding and issues
- ? ? \$10,000 infrastructure fee
- ? ? snow plowing

Comments:

- ? ? first responder: emergency preparedness

The evening concluded with a number of door prizes, which were gratefully contributed by many various businesses in the RM. Joe Omilean (Bob & Joan Omelian's son) and Robert Perrett each won 10 yards of gravel delivered by the RM.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.