

MINUTES OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABERDEEN NO. 373
SPRING RATEPAYERS MEETING HELD ON THE 10th DAY OF APRIL, 2018
IN THE ABERDEEN COMMUNITY HALL.

Mr. Vern Ratzlaff was called upon to give the Grace. Mr. Ratzlaff acknowledged the passing of two past Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373 Councilors; Lorne Korpan and Ervine Bayda. He then requested a moment of silence for them and also for the Humboldt Bronco's Hockey team.

Chairman Kevin Kirk called the meeting to order at 7:25 P.M. and introduced the special guests, R.M. Council and R.M. Staff. Mr. Kirk recognized the following past councilors in attendance: Robert Shutiak and Jake Klassen. Danny Martens and Jake Klassen were appointed as the resolutions committee.

Gary Dziadyk read the minutes from the 2017 Spring Ratepayers meeting. Moved by Pauline Hamoline and seconded by Terry Pryma that the minutes are accepted as read. **Carried**

The Town of Aberdeen's Mayor Rene Reimer Horner gave greeting from the town and gave an update of what is new with the town. Ms. Horner also congratulated the 2017 Citizen of the Year, Shawn Graham.

SARM Division No. 5 Director Judy Harwood emphasized the importance of setting up a Rural Crime Watch program within the municipality to reduce property crime. Director Harwood then gave a brief overview of her opinion on the trespassing rules, the rights of land owner.

Sergeant Lindsay Darling talked about the importance of Rural Crime Watch and the challenges that the RCMP have with policing a large area. He introduced the new Corporal John Paterson who is now station and living in Vonda. Increased services are provided by using smarter policing techniques with the hope of achieving better response times.

Corporal Mel Zurevinsky/Crime Prevention/Crime Reduction gave an overview of Rural Crime Watch. Corp. Zurevinsky explained the principle behind the program, how the use of cell phones apps to aid the ratepayers with notifying the public of suspicious vehicles and movement within the municipality. The importance of signage indicated a Rural Crime Watch program is active and security systems that monitor activity on and around your property.

Reeve Martin Bettker thanked Vern Ratzlaff for saying grace and the invited guests for coming. The Reeve then thanked his council and staff for their support and hard work. Reeve Bettker then provided an overview of the 2017 expenditures and forecast for the 2018 upcoming year.

On behalf of the Aberdeen 1st Responders, Shirley Huffman presented a plaque to Gail McLeod for 15 years and Tina Stalker a 5-year pin to recognize their service to the community.

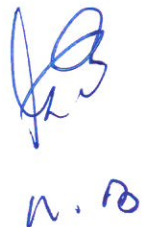
Adrien Hamoline, Aberdeen Fire Chief, presented a plaque to Joel Hamoline for 10 years and Sheldon Buhler for 15 years of service to the community.

Reeve Hamoline provided a biography of Shawn Graham the 2017 Citizen of the Year. The award for 2017 was presented to Shawn Graham by the Reeve Martin Bettker and Councilor Kevin Kirk presented a bouquet to Shawn's wife Cheryl. Shawn responded by thanking the municipality for the honor. He then related some of his experiences volunteering in the community.

The Resolution committee reported that they had no resolutions from the ratepayers.

A draw was then made by Councilors Korpan and Zdunick for the door prizes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.



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