Bearberry Wapitana Society Annual General Meeting Jan 28, 2020

Minutes AGM 2019:

Motion: approve as read: Marion adopted as read. Sallee seconded. Carried.

Financial Report:

Motion: approve as reported by Ingrid. Seconded Maureen. Carried.

Election of Executive and Directors:

Everyone stays in position by acclimation.

Grant Applications:

Anyone interested in doing paperwork for grants? County's grant is out now. Shell has one as well.

Ideas for upgrades to ask in grant application:

New place setting with dollies, painting bathrooms and kitchen, ceilings

Review 2019:

Horseshoe pits were done by Walton's family.

Coffee pots, down spouts, chaffing dishes, furnace cleaning and servicing were covered in 2019's grant.

Pickle ball played Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Yoga Classes are going well.

Events in 2019:

Turkey Dinner:

635 people were served. It was a huge success.

It was discussed what would happen if the weather is so bad on the scheduled day that people would not be able to come (i.e. snow storm). A backup plan should be in place.

Horse Rally:

We did not get as many people as the year before. Caroline had cancelled this year; this may have influenced ours.

Set dates for Events in 2020:

Horse Rally: September 19, 2020 Turkey Dinner: October 18, 2020

Tickets for Turkey Dinner:

Adults: \$ 18.00

Kids 6 – 12 years: \$ 8.00 Kids 5 and under: free

Rentals 2019:

We had 11 bookings this year. For 2020 we have 3 fully paid rentals so far, some reservations, and inquires.

Set Rates for 2021:

Maureen MOVED the rates for

Full weekend = 3 days \$750.00 with a maximum of 2 installment payments.

If paid in one payment the rate is reduced to \$700.00.

First day: \$300

Each additional day \$215.

Damage deposit \$300.

Cancelation fee of 15%.

Ingrid seconded. Carried

Other reports:

There is an AED machine at the Saloon. Schott's Lake will get one as well.

Insurance – we went with the County Insurance Policy.

Liquor laws are very confusing. Liquor permit will cover either consumption of alcohol outside the hall or inside the hall. PAL will cover liquor inside the hall.

We need to have a meeting with the County and the Insurance company, so we have some answers for renter. We need to know which license to obtain. Liquor permits are all online now - need to apply 6 months ahead.

Report by our Councilor Angela Aalbers:

The Community grants are out now, applications can be submitted.

The Police funding has changed. It is based on population and linear amounts. The County is still trying to understand what is really going to happen. There will be a meeting with Earl Dreeshen. There are not enough RCMP members being trained.

There are Shallow gas losses of taxes – oil and gas tax base is decreasing. The County tries to find efficiencies. The work for this is in progress.

The MDP Open houses and electronic survey were very poorly attended. The County is looking at no changes in the Land Use Bylaw.

Rural internet is a real problem, there are not enough people to make it worth building.

Angela offered that if she can anything do - please contact her.

Hwy 584 repair was on the three-year plan of the Province – but this is a moving plan. The County is still asking.

Crime Watch – Citizen on Patrol

Murray Bates suggested it would be best to keep it informal, be the eyes and ears for Bearberry. Get a map and break it into zones. There might be a problem when it comes to boundaries. Carry a notebook and pencil – answer questions: Who, What, When, Where and Why. Phone 24 hour RCMP number and/or Report a Poacher.

A date was set to invite interested Bearberry residents to come to a special meeting for February 10, 2020 at 7:00p.m.

Next monthly Meeting:

February 18, 2020, 7.00 p.m.

Minutes taken by Alison

Meeting adjourned: 9:00 p.m.