

# **Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock Community Meeting**

**October 5, 2021 7:00pm**

**Donna Woods's residence & by phone or video**

**Attendance: Lloyd Ludwig, Melissa Heney, Terry Kashuba, Tracy Kashuba  
Serenity Kashuba, Kody Steubing, Henry Belanger , Maria Cote,  
Stephen Dawl, Calvin LeBlanc, Brian Heney, Hans Pedersen, Sheila Pedersen  
Elaine Heney, Sean Heney, Donna Woods, Harvey Woods, Florence Woods  
Theresa Buck, Temina Ludwig, Ron Cherkewich**

- 1. Welcome & Introductions:** Meeting commenced 7:02 PM
- 2. Opening Remarks from the Chairman:** Review & update of last meeting minutes regarding Judicial review proceeding through the courts. There has been a ruling from the judge in the Feb 2019 matter. It was disappointing as there were an number of errors made but as it was more matters which were incorrect & misleading in the affidavits action is better taken to proceed by way of RCMP investigation as well the matters were directed to be addressed by the 77 Appeal Board. After a substantial amount of confusion that has set us back a year we seem to be on track with the Saskatchewan Municipal Board scheduling mediation & potential hearings. It has also come through counsel review of the minutes that all the bylaws or resolutions put forward by Wilton are invalid as not being done by way of public meeting which is a standard as per the legislation & case law. Also anything done that was not done by resolution is also invalid as council can only act through resolution or bylaw & there are repercussions as to administration for those failures which we are now reviewing retroactive to 2015. These matters are proceeding through the Sask Municipal Board (SMB) to resolve the disputes which is now going through mediation which will be attended by the Hamlet Board. If they are not resolved in mediation which has also been discussed the Hamlet Board has requested a formal hearing be set no later than November of 2021 so decisions can be rendered by beginning of December, 2021.

Discussion of year in review report to voters.

- 3. New business brought forward discussion as to the applications that were heard in court October 3rd 2019 & the instructions given by the judge in proceeding forward with the Appeal Board has been done. We have had counsel review the orders as well as the actions of both Hamlet Board & Wilton in regard & directions have been given as it was found a number of Wilton matters were not done within legislation & are invalid some have also been in violation to the orders which will also have to be addressed which is in process.**

4. Counsel has addressed the RM of Wilton zoning conversion of the Hamlet of Lone Rock with the Ministers office there seems to be some issues as to its implementation as well as validity as per procedure which is now being investigated. This has also raised issue of compensation as there is a direct liability on behalf of Wilton for compensation due to any decrease in property value caused by a rezoning or service discontinuation both of which have occurred so we are looking at the appraisals of that decrease which will be raised in the 77 Appeal Board process. There was also an incorrect determination as to referendum amounts as Ron has found the coinciding case law that indicates a referendum of an Organized Hamlet is based on a decision of 25% of the Hamlet residents not the whole RM as Wilton Administration indicated. We are holding off on the referendum as there may be a number of issues listed that will make up the vote but has been tabled for the time being pending the outcome of the mediation & formal hearings through SMB which are to be concluded before end of November. Premier's office has asked to be kept informed of progress & Ombudsman as well as the Ministry is monitoring so as these matters are moving forward to prevent further disaster as seen in last few months.
  
5. Water & Sewer Bills have not been approved by the Hamlet Board & are now moving to mediation or formal hearing under the Municipal Board. The Hamlet Board forming or continuing a public utility is also under review. The documentation provided indicates the water infrastructure was never formally transferred to Wilton this will be addressed in the Municipal Board Hearing. Legal has advised a refund of all water billing prior to Sept 23,2019 is in order as the Sask Municipal Board advised them it became effective only as of that date & not retroactive. An investigation is proceeding as to billing of any amounts prior & supplemental information has been provided to prosecutions. This will be brought up at the SMB hearing. The SHA director has issued a decision that Jim Webster did not have authority to make a decision as to interpretation of section 14 of the *Public Health Act* & as per the correspondence from SHA executive a decision was not made as to granting the shutting down the water treatment plant. Our lawyer is preparing a request that a decision be made regarding interpretation & that water be returned via the treatment plant as per the legislation & case law.

All in attendance agree water & sewer are to be returned back to annual Tax notices.

Seconded by Brian Heney

By show of Hands unanimously passed

The Hamlet Board form a public utility to take over all the water sewer operations & infrastructure. Further review needed as past minutes indicate RM already placed OHB in charge of Utility Board.

Seconded by Donna Woods

By Show of Hands unanimously passed

Set compensation for disruption of water utility service set at \$12.00 per day for any service disrupted longer than 48hrs.

Seconded by Melissa Heney

By Show of Hands unanimously passed

Refund by RM of Wilton of any expenses incurred by having to establish alternative water supply.

Seconded by Brian Heney

By Show of Hands unanimously passed

6. The budget is still under review of the Judge pending the outcome of mediation as there are a number of matters that have to be resolved by the Sask Municipal Board (SMB) going forward. The budgets going back to 2015 are under review. There are a number of issues which began in 2015 that have not been addressed. We will 1<sup>st</sup> begin to address the financial data through the SMB process although some have been provided for other investigations.. Auditor's reports have distinct errors regarding legislation which has been sent to Ombudsman & subsequently ministry & RCMP attention. Also report has been forwarded to Auditor General, Chartered Professional Accountants Saskatchewan & International Federation of Accountants further information has been requested & we have assembled & forwarded most.

Attached budget be approved as attached (Further review will continue).

Seconded by Donna Woods

By Show of Hands unanimously passed

7. Karen Crawford our nominee for the 77 Appeal Board could not agree with the Appeal Board nominee of RM of Wilton so it was sent to SMB for a hearing to determine the issues. SMB after discussion with both sides determined matter of dispute was – chairperson- this was disputed by the Hamlet Board as they wanted a hearing of the matters but SMB sent matter of determining chairperson to mediation as per legislation there were 2 sessions of mediation with no agreement so it was sent back to SMB to hold a hearing to determine the matter. SMB sought outside counsel who directed them not to hear the matter of –chairperson – but the matters in dispute as stated in the legislation. SMB asked for issues in dispute but before we could provide SMB determined the matter was invalid & new appeal would have to be started which it was that same day with all the original disputes except for those being investigated by RCMP & other government departments. Through this process the Ministry clarified under 356 of Municipalities act the RM is responsible for legal costs of hamlet board & volunteers in the matters of public interest & within scope of duty, disregarding this the RM has sent out property liens this is a violation of the legislation & has also been forwarded to RCMP as this may have enacted other violations by Wilton in the process.

Motion that all legal costs past & going forward for matters of Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock community interest be paid from the Lone Rock hamlet account or as the Ministry advised under 356 or 69.1 of the Municipalities Act for all volunteers & Board members. Attached 77 Appeal Board issues be adopted by the Hamlet Board.

Seconded by Brian Heney

By Show of Hands unanimously passed

8. The RM of Wilton put forward a resolution that Terry Kashuba be disqualified due to a Code of Ethics Breach which in itself the resolution was as Code of Ethics breach as well as being outside the jurisdiction of RM of Wilton Council. Government Relations has instructed the resolution is invalid as RM Wilton has no authority over hamlet board but also only the Minister can remove a Hamlet board member as per the legislation which then enacts section 11 of the Municipalities act as the resolution has no effect. Government relations forwarded same to RM of Wilton. There are other issues which invalidate the RM Code of Ethics bylaw but those will be raised through SMB 77 Appeal Board process as was instructed under Ombudsman review & their guideline for Code of ethics complaints which was formalized in the Government Relations bulletin outlining acceptable bylaws & procedures. The Freedom of Information and Privacy Act violation incurred by the Wilton resolution will be addressed through SMB.

We are now reconfirming the Hamlet Board is:

Lloyd Ludwig for Chairman  
Donna Woods for Secretary  
Terry Kashuba Board Member

All nominees agree to retained position.

Seconded: Hans Pedersen

All attending by show of hands unanimously passed.

9. **Septic Tank pumping:** Septic Pumping was included in our 2019, 2020, 2021 budgets which will be a matter for the Sask Municipal Board hearing, will keep everyone informed.

The Saskatchewan Health Authority by decision of Inspector Jim Webster has interpreted section 14 of the Public Health Act as the RM has to maintain sewer services within The Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock.

10. **Special levy:** Under section 70 of Municipalities Act it gives authority to the Hamlet Board to enact a special levy to cover shortfalls in budget. A levy was set in 2019 for 2020 & motion is brought to set same for 2021 RM shall pay \$3000.00 for all property bought & demolished until time that that tax revenue has been returned for those properties & that no properties owned by the RM be exempt & taxed in accordance with SAMA assessed rates & minimum on undeveloped lots owned by the RM be set at \$3000.00 until those lots are developed & homes are built.

Seconded Donna Woods

All attending in favor by show of hands unanimously passed.

11. **Fundraising:** The recreation board annual bottle drive in November

Covid 19 restrictions have limited although there has been some Federal & Provincial grants made available so we are now looking into that..

**12. Next Meeting:** The next meeting will let residents know if anything comes back on court cases or what happens with mediation.

**13. Other issues raised:**

In camera session (legal matters)

There has been a lot of discussion & questions as to the Metis nation plans. They were out a few times as many have seen them doing ceremonies at the Rock by the flag (What is referred to as an ancestral Bison rubbing stone) each time they were out to assess lots & are now trying to determine if the lots they are looking at are assessed at Agriculture pricing or as Multi-Purpose residential. They advised that they were still following up with Fed Gov as to reconciliation & land agreements. In conversation they indicated they were looking at 18 lots for 1000sqft homes on each. Which would be a welcomed development for the area but we have been told they would all be exempt from zoning & development bylaws but could contract for services which fees could be charged. This could also help with the future development of the Hamlet.

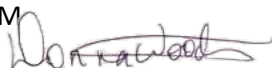
We are still not receiving Monthly minutes & attachments from RM of Wilton Council & the minutes are not being posted to the website. Kim Anderson attorney for RM of Wilton has indicated he will try to provide the requested minutes as failure to provide is a violation under 117 of the Municipalities act as the RM has refused us public access that also lends to the open & public meeting as required for any bylaws or resolutions to be valid. Issues have been raised with the privacy commissioner & RM has been given directions. Review is also being done by the Ombudsman & if a judicial review is launched they will be compelled by rules to provide them before a hearing takes place. We will see what comes from SMB hearing before filing judicial review.

Question as to snow removal & grass cutting was brought forward there has been a (\$500.00) levy set to be paid by RM to each household as snow removal is direct liability of RM. Supreme Court of Canada is currently deciding a like case as that decision will offer direction as to which way we go. This issue is to be spoken to in SMB 77 Appeal Board.

**14. Resolutions voted & unanimously passed:**

- Water & Sewer to return to annual Tax notices.
- Hamlet Board establishes Water/Sewer utility under Utility Corp.
- Set compensation of \$12.00 per day for water service disruption.
- Refund by RM of Wilton for any expenses related to alternate water supply.
- Legal fees paid under 356 from RM or 69.1 from Hamlet Account.
- Legal costs be paid under 356 from RM or 69.1 from Hamlet account.
- Hamlet Board confirmed.
- Special Levy (2022) \$3000.00 to all property retained by Wilton & demolished standard taxation applies to all other property owned by Wilton without exemption until developed.
- Approve budget as attached (Review ongoing as materials come in)
- The attached list of 77 Appeal Board disputes be adopted.

**15. Meeting Adjourned: 8:20PM**



## **Report to Voters of the Hamlet of Lone Rock for 2021**

1. This has been a troubling year with COVID affecting almost all aspects of life. Now that we have many of the financials we are able to take a more in depth review of RM's spending on the venture into Lone Rock. Currently Wilton expenditures far exceed what will be returned. It's not clear what reason RM of Wilton chose this path. A full review by a number of agencies is in progress as it is taxpayer funds which have to be fully accountable & made under statutory provision.

The Lone Rock hamlet board will continue to pursue best interests of Hamlet voters & ratepayers.

2. We received a decision on the February 2019 court application which although disappointing really did not change much as to the current status. Now the affidavits of that case are being reviewed as part of other investigations as there were some inconsistencies in what was sworn to under oath & in cross referencing the investigations of the Real Estate Board it has brought some issues to light. Our attorney indicated a formal review of those affidavits may be made to the court which he is assembling.

3. The legislation change moved the dispute process from the courts to the 77 Appeal Board process. As we have not been able to agree on a chairperson for this appeal board the issues have been sent to the Saskatchewan Municipal Board (SMB). There was some confusion as what SMB was to decide & our Appeal Board designate (Karen) went through some case management & mediation with (SMB) but on further outside counsel review it was agreed that the Hamlet Board's original assertion as to the legislative changes discussed above put in place a process in which we can address all the issues in dispute. We currently have 32 matters to be addressed including water sewer issues, rates, taxation, special levy's & any exemptions, budgetary, legal fees & costs to be paid by the RM as well as Hamlet self-governance. Added is any property value changes due to zoning changes as that is a legislative compensation requirement & with the added "use it or lose it" Federal & Provincial mandate towards lands owned by municipalities to accommodate new development & affordable & low income homes this matter will have to be addressed with all Wilton owned property along with zoning regulations. We are now going into another round of Sask Municipal Board directed mediation regarding the Appeal Board issues which dates are being set within the next few weeks. The Hamlet Board will be again attending these mediation sessions & what disputes remain will be sent for formal hearing which will be attended by the Hamlet Board. The disputes we have to Oct 5, 2021 are attached to this report.

4. We have continued discussions with the Water security agency as to procedure on a Public Utility being formed & we are moving forward on that as this will be a matter before the Sask Municipal Board. We have seen from other like rulings they have sided with the development side as to residents taking over the utility to increase development which has always been the Hamlet Board's focus. This will especially be useful with the new development plans. With recent court of Appeal ruling, decisions made by council can be held against council members if they do not strictly follow legislation & removing any immunity councillors may have had.

5. The Ombudsperson has expanded their office review & the Hamlet Board is still submitting regular updates as a report was prepared which also referenced the process to settle the disputes but also they will be looking into all the code of ethics & conflict of interest matters submitted. The RCMP investigation has been elevated as to many matters which have arisen over the course & through the affidavits that has been seen as actionable. They have also been working with other agencies as the legislation has some very clear violations which have come to light & they are doing a comprehensive review in coordination with prosecutions. Our attorney has been instrumental in removal of municipal

members in violation of legislation in a number of municipalities & is working with agencies in review of matters between Lone Rock & Wilton. Not only has Dave Jarvis the Realtor been sanctioned by the Real Estate Board but also Musgrave agencies for their part in the Wilton property purchases. A further complaint has gone into law societies for a review of the code of conduct as to Wilton counsel.

6. We are thankful to the Minister of Government relations & all the associates as they have been terrific in providing clarity & guidance in moving forward with the ongoing situation & are looking forward to all their help in the future. They have been very helpful in steps required for installation of a supervisor & in regard to the RM of Wilton jurisdiction as far as removal or acceptance of the Hamlet Board members as they specifically stated RM of Wilton has no jurisdiction over appointment of Hamlet Board Members & removal can only be done by ministers order any bylaws or resolutions made regarding status of the Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock or its Hamlet board are to be disregarded as violation of municipalities act. The Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock Hamlet Board is a fully constituted & recognized board by the minister's office.

7. Tax rates continue to be an issue as this is another matter before the Municipal Board as to review RM hasn't been following the legislation as to reports & interaction with the Organized Hamlet Board which has been noted & is now being looked into. The cursory audit is showing up some questionable items & a further investigation is ongoing with highlighted materials forwarded to investigators.

8. Our amended budget has been sent into Government relations audit departments as it appears that the special levy specifically addressed in legislation was not included in with our budget however we forwarded the amounts to coincide with our special levy that was sent to the Wilton in the 2019 & 2020 budgets & those amounts have been adjusted. We are now looking back through the financials we received from 2015 as there seems to be other amounts deducted from the Hamlet account which were not in the Hamlet Budget so we will have to see who made those withdrawals as they could be personally responsible for those according to legislation. Also as per judicial review all the Hamlet of Lone Rock budgets are stayed until they can be dealt with through the 77 Appeal Board processes which would mean any funds removed would be in violation of not only the legislation but also court order.

9. Road maintenance is an ongoing issue which is being addressed & the Hamlet Board has reached out to Minister & Premier for guidance & assistance who both have stated its direct liability of the RM so we will continue to monitor. We have put forward the per residence billing in the minutes as per a flat rate \$500.00 payable to each residence from Wilton for those issues. This is also an issue for discussion with the SK Municipal Board.

10. A special Levy was put forward in 2019, 2020, and 2021 & again put forward for the 2022 year of \$3000.00 per property that has been purchased by the RM & demolished to offset the reduction of tax revenue until such time as that revenue has returned. The Hamlet Board is now reviewing whether a separate 1 will be needed for water & sewer going forward.

11. There is ongoing investigations as to water treatment plant as the 1<sup>st</sup> issue is destruction of public property that also extends to ownership as it has come to light Wilton was only a trustee of the water treatment plant as ownership would be which account paid for it which as it came out of the Hamlet account it would be owned by the Hamlet of Lone Rock as per anything paid for out of the trust account held by Wilton on behalf of the Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock this is an ongoing investigation. A number of agencies & the hamlet board is still in discussions with the Saskatchewan Health Authority

(SHA) as to any of the decisions of Mr. Webster as it appears he may not have had the authority to make the decisions he put forward as it didn't coincide with precedent or policy. If an agreement cannot be reached with SHA executive then a judicial review of the decision will be launched as to specific interpretation of legislation as there were some errors of Mr. Webster as to the facts of the matter as well as with the legislation & applicable determining precedents. **The Hamlet of Lone Rock continues to be in a State of Emergency in this regard.**

12. Sewer services in the Hamlet of Lone Rock are to be maintained as apparently that issue is very clear in all the legislation.

13. There has been a lot of discussion & questions as to the Metis nation plans. They were out a few times as many have seen them doing ceremonies at the Rock by the flag an ancestral Bison rubbing stone. They are trying to determine if the lots they are looking at are assessed at Agriculture pricing or as Multi-Purpose residential. They advised that they were still following up with Government as to reconciliation & land agreements. In conversation they indicated they were looking at 18 lots for 1000sqft homes on each. This would be a welcomed development for the area but we have been told they would be exempt from zoning & development bylaw as it would be Federal/Provincial agreement exemption as they may also have a different land designation. This could also help with the future development & services in the Hamlet.

14 The Ombudsman has had so many issues come out of Wilton review 3 investigators are working on the file. Everything from not receiving monthly minutes & attachments from Wilton Council to public access that also lends to the open & public meeting as required for any bylaws or resolutions to be valid. Also if proper procedures were followed in rezoning & with the water sewer issues in specifically dealing with the Hamlet Board according to transparency & accountability as outlined in the legislation & regulations. Wilton's adherence to the legislation as per normal procedure, the Code of Ethics bylaws & to follow those processes. Ombudsman has provided a guideline which was adopted by Government relations regarding handling of Code of ethics & the reporting which was also included in the legislation as it now has very specific requirements & consequences.

### **List of issues to be forwarded to the Appeal Board:**

1. Direct the OH's municipal sewer and water services be restored & returned to the OH to be managed by the Organized Hamlet utility Corp.
2. The RM make available to the OH within 5 business days all public minutes (with attachments ) & resolutions approved by council see sec 117 Municipalities Act, That were agreed on in previous mediation & have yet to be provided.
3. Minutes and resolutions from 102041617 Saskatchewan LTD from and after January 01, 2018. Copy of the records in possession or under the control of the RM relating to all contracts, letters of engagement, transaction documents, relating to property acquisition in the OH from and after January 1,2018 either directly or indirectly of 102041617 Saskatchewan LTD.
4. All transactional documents including accounting for ratepayer money's spent or paid on behalf of or at the direction of 102041617 Saskatchewan LTD.



5. Copy of all permits, authorizations, Taxations, or permissions by any and all regulatory agencies whether federal or provincial with respect to shutting down municipal sewer and potable water services in the OH, including accounting of infrastructure account.
6. Production within 5 business days copies of the minutes and recordings of all public hearings had and taken pursuant to the Municipal Act, the Planning and Development Act and/or any other applicable legislation prior to directing the closure of municipal sewer and water services in the OH on June 30th 2021 together with the date the same were notified to those regulatory agencies.
7. Copies of any and all correspondence passing from and between the RM and government agencies such as The Ministry of Government Relations, municipal division, government, advisory services advising the RM they were acting contrary to the constating and enabling legislation as it relates to their handling of the municipal sewer and water services in the Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock.
8. Copies of audited financial statements for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020, 2021 and date delivered to the Minister along with his sign off.
9. To instruct the RM of Wilton to pay the public interest legal expenditures inclusive of costs as instructed by the Hamlet Board & provided for in the 69.1 of the Municipalities Act. Expenses have been put forward after consultation with advisory services & within our budget that the RM refuses to pay even though they are legislatively bound to pay them.
10. The percentage amounts were changed by the RM of Wilton without any consultation with the Hamlet Board as the RM only allotted the minimal amount of 40% to the Hamlet account & did not provide the full grant amounts allotted to Hamlet account which were a violation of legislation diminishing the amounts that were placed in the Hamlet account as legislated in 69(1). Retroactive reimbursement from 2015.
11. The RM of Wilton failed to implement a special levy as instructed by the Hamlet Board section 70 of Municipalities Act. Reimbursement to Hamlet account retroactive to 2019.
12. Tax exempt properties were re-evaluated as taxable properties but RM refuses to acknowledge. Reimbursement of tax payments to Hamlet account retroactive to 2015 inclusive of RM owned rental properties
13. Tax Enforcement is extreme & contradicts the Tax Enforcement Act as well as Municipalities act which the Hamlet Board has instructed RM council to review & it hasn't been done & adjustment of incorrect taxation amounts. (Not assessment incorrect billing)
14. Lone Rock Development Board reviews development within the Hamlet of Lone Rock to increase the tax base & implement the provincial strategy. Promotion & increasing development permits with a focus on low income & micro developments.
15. Hamlet Board Chairperson be decided Under 77 this does constitute a dispute between Hamlet board & RM & as put forward after issues are resolved Chairperson may be needed for other issues that occur from day to day operations.

16. Trust account payments resulting in ownership of property. This also falls within the 77 Appeal Board & such also extends to the SMB through the 392 Hearing process as products or equipment purchased through Hamlet Board funds would be owned by the Hamlet Board held in trust by the RM of Wilton at the direction or disposition of the Organized Hamlet Board. Review of Trust account administration.
17. To provide the Hamlet Board access to all the minutes, financials & reports at the RM of Wilton Office as provided for by 117 of the municipalities Act.
18. To pay the appropriate costs as set out in 356 of the Municipalities Act.
19. Reimbursement for well owners that were receiving water bills incorrectly or for incorrect rates.
20. Road maintenance & disrepair liability under 343 of Municipalities Act.
21. Property damage due to RM of Wilton destruction activities (inclusive of Steve's retaining wall)
22. Budget Deficits (Explanation & documentation)
23. Hamlet Budgets (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020,2021) years
24. Water & sewer ( Billing, Bylaw , 3rd party engineer study , notification, consultation, rebates for disruption, return to annual tax notices, any matters regarding discontinuation, transference to Lone Rock utility Corp, audit & revue of accounts infrastructure accounts 2015-2020, minutes regarding Lone Rock water & sewer )
25. Direct liability obligation issues (346)
26. Commencement of Self governance
27. Revenue of Hamlet accounts 2015-2021
28. Hamlet tractor
29. Formal apology for Organized Hamlet forfeit letters from RM
30. Corrections of taxation (Steve, Lloyd.. retroactive with utility billing & reimbursement)
31. RM's intention to amend bylaws regarding the Planning & Development Act. The Organized Hamlet Board of Lone Rock are adding those amendments (Bylaw No 16-2013) & the proposed bylaw to the 77 Appeal Board roster so that it can be determined if proper consultations & procedures have been followed in adoption or proposal in accordance with the legislation & any of the Government required public Notice bylaws or Ministerial approvals. To direct the Appeal Board to amend, rescind or remove the bylaw as it pertains to the Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock which may or may not result in a referendum.
32. Code of Ethics Complaints to be reviewed by independent 3<sup>rd</sup> party panel & RM Wilton Code of Ethics bylaw review & amended to comply with legislation & any resolutions made regarding Hamlet Board Members quashed.
33. Code of Ethics Complaints about Glen Dow, Greg Heinrichs which have yet to have a reply.

34. Street lights review of fees or grants allotted from 2015 - 2021
35. Infrastructure Accounts audit & review.
36. Hamlet account violations (Gerald's Heinrichs letter of non-existence of Hamlet account?)
37. Zoning Amendments decrease in property value reimbursement to residents.
38. Moratorium on tax arrears collections during Covid.
39. Alternatively if the SMB is not comfortable entering into this matter we simply ask the SMB to turn to the provisions of the Municipalities Act (also under the Municipal Board act section 19) of the Minister and recommend he should consider exercising his many prerogatives under that he direct a Management audit and/or and/or financial audit and/or appoint a replacement interim administrator and/or and/or suspend the RM of Wilton council and appointed a Supervisor as was done in RM of McKillop.

# Organized Hamlet of Lone Rock Board Budget

For period Ending November 30, 2022

	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>2022 Budget</u>	<u>Notes</u>
<b>Revenues</b>				
<b>Lone Rock Levies &amp; Discounts</b>				
410-115-100 - Lone Rock Municipal Levy	8,868.00	8,868.00	8,868.00	Further Review Needed
410-115-102 - Hamlet Board Special Levy	78,000.00	78,000.00	78,000.00	
410-120-103 - Lone Rock Abatements	.00	.00	.00	
410-600-100 - Special Mun Levy – Lone Rock Utility	23,826.00	23,826.00	23,826.00	Further Review Needed
410-610-100 - Special Mun Levy – Lone Rock St Lights	2,380.16	1,270.32	1,270.32	Further Review Needed
410-135-100 - Discount on Lone Rock Tax	(632.00)	(378.43)	(378.43)	
410-405-210 - Penalty on Lone Rock Taxes	.00	.00	.00	
450-120-100 - Unconditional – Organized Hamlet	10,260.00	10,260.00	10,260.00	
<b>Other Revenues</b>				
420-300-100 - F&C – Rentals – Lone Rock Post Office	.00	.00	.00	Further review needed
420-700-210 - F&C – Licenses – Lone Rock Pets	.00	.00	.00	
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>122,702.16</b>	<b>121,845.89</b>	<b>121,845.89</b>	Further review needed
<b>Expenditures</b>				
<b>Maint - Lone Rock</b>				
510-300-110 - GG - Utility - Lone Rock - Power/Gas	586.72	.00	.00	Further review needed
510-490-105 - GG - Maint - Hamlet Post Office Maint.	.00	.00	.00	
510-490-120 - GG - Lone Rock Hamlet Meetings	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	
510-490-125 - GG - Lone Rock Hamlet Legal Reserve	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
520-210-105 - PS-Police-Lone Rock - Justice Requisition	.00	.00	.00	Further review needed
530-500-201 - TS - Maint - Lone Rock – Culverts	.00	.00	.00	
530-500-202 - TS - Maint - Lone Rock – Mowing	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
530-500-204 - TS - Maint - Lone Rock (Pumping Water)	200.00	.00	.00	
530-500-402 - TS - M-LR-09 2009 Buhler Mower – Lone Rock	5.62	5.62	5.62	Further Review Needed
530-500-403 - TS - Maint - Lone Rock – Roads/Streets	200.00	200.00	200.00	Further Review Needed
530-500-501 - TS - Maint - Lone Rock- Utilities –StLight	.00	5,977.08	5,977.08	Conversion to Solar/Carry fwd
540-200-125 - EH - Cont - Lone Rock Waste Collections	2,438.43	2,438.43	2,438.43	
540-200-126 - EH - Cont - Lone Rock- Spring Cleanup	00.00	.00	.00	
540-230-100 - EH - Cont - Lone Rock Dog Control	00.00	.00	.00	In Hamlet Monitoring
<b>Total Maint - Lone Rock</b>	<b>24,930.77</b>	<b>30,121.13</b>	<b>30,121.13</b>	
<b>Lone Rock Water Utility</b>				
580-110-110- UT- Water – Lone Util Operator Salary	4,548.20	4,142.75	4,142.75	Hrly based on actual
580-131-110- UT- Water Mileage	364.00	364.00	364.00	
580-285-110- UT- Water – WTP – Bldg/Equip Repair	.00	.00	.00	
580-285-120- UT-Water – Cont Repairs – LR Equipment	.00	.00	.00	Further Review needed
580-290-110- UT- Water Lab Testing – Lone Rock	186.72	186.72	186.72	
580-300-120- UT- Lone Rock WTP- Power/Heat	1,648.65	.00	.00	Further Review needed
580-430-130- UT-Water- Mat & Supplies – LR WTP	1,826.80	2,974.28	2,974.28	Further Review needed
580-600-699- UT- Water- Amort- Infrastructure	.00	.00	.00	Previous yrs to Hamlet income
<b>Total Lone Rock Water Utility:</b>	<b>8,574.37</b>	<b>7,667.75</b>	<b>7,667.75</b>	

## Sewer Services

585-285-100- UT- Sewer- Cont Building & Equipment	368.26	368.26 Further Review needed
585-285-105-UT- Sewer- Lone Rock Septic Pumping	.00	655.00 Further Review needed
585-300-120- UT-Sewer- Lone Rock- Power/Gas	418.72	418.72 Further Review needed
585-300-130- UT- Sewer Line Repairs	.00	.00
585-600-299 - UT- Sewer – Amort- Bldgs./Imp & Eng Str	278.34	278.34 Further Review needed
585-600-699 - UT- Sewer- Amort – Infrastructure	.00	.00 Further Review needed
<b>Total Sewer Services:</b>	<b>1,065.32</b>	<b>1,720.32</b>

<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>34,570.46</b>	<b>39,509.20</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>88,131.70</b>	<b>82,336.69</b>

## Account Balances

310-110-100- Reserve – Organized Hamlet Lone Rock	222,367.77	304,704.46
<b>Total Organized Hamlet Account Balance</b>	<b>222,367.77</b>	<b>304,704.46</b>

## Questions:

1. When can we look at the invoices of expenses as the items marked **Further Review needed** don't match with actual amounts? Also the portion the Hamlet Board Agreed on is 75% of taxes not the 40% the RM put forward.
2. Is the revenue from Permits & licensing going into Lone Rock general revenue fund why are permits not itemized on the financial statement?
3. The Hamlet Board needs to see the payables & receivable invoices regarding the hamlet to more accurately review the budget going forward when can this be done?
4. When can the tax roll be made available so that dollar amount of available funds can be reviewed so as more precise budgets can be compiled for this & previous years?
5. When can the invoices amounting to the previous alluded deficit be reviewed?
6. Is Holm Raiche Oberg the only auditor for the RM of Wilton & Hamlet of Lone Rock if not provide auditor?
7. Why did the Lone Rock Levy not include all the property owned & being speculated on by the RM of Wilton?
8. Many of the budgeted items show increases when decrease should be noted due to reduced use & services explain this?
9. There seems to be a discrepancy as to Reserve & tax title amounts between what the Hamlet Board is calculating & RM as more information is needed so that this can be confirmed with Accountant & Ministry of Finance, when can the reference documents be provided so as this review can be made?
10. Water & Sewer will need 3<sup>rd</sup> party verification on these expenses when can that be done?

**Note:** Septic pumping & repairs on RM purchased properties is born by the RM as do any development costs associated with speculative purchased properties. These items should not be included in the Hamlet budget or be reflected against Hamlet rate payers taxes. If you disagree with this or any portion of the budget it can be brought before the Appeal Board for review as described in the legislation. This budget & previous budget (2015-current) is part of the Appeal Board roster to be decided & amended as per the court instructions.