

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF ABRAM-VILLAGE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
October 7, 2020**

**Present:** Roger Gallant, Ann Arsenault, Roger Arsenault, Paul Gallant,  
Yolande Gallant, Phil LeBlanc

**Also Present:** Pierre Arsenault, Administrator

**Absent:** Colette Gallant

**1. Called to Order**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

It was moved by Yolande Gallant and seconded by Roger Arsenault that the agenda be accepted as presented. **Motion Carried.**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Phil LeBlanc and seconded by Roger Arsenault that the Minutes of September 16, 2020 be accepted as presented. **Motion Carried.**

**4. Follow-up to Minutes**

**a) New Official Plan**

Roger Gallant reported that Chrystal Fuller from *Brighter Communities* could not attend a public meeting this week, therefore it was being deferred to when she could come on Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

There was also an enquiry from a non-resident as to whether they could install a mini-home on a lot near the new Wendell Gallant Road subdivision, therefore it was deemed worthwhile to look into this further. Looking through the bylaws indicated it would be permitted, therefore a discussion was held on whether to modify the drafted zoning bylaws to exclude them from this area. One approached neighbouring local resident indicated a strong disapproval of allowing mini-homes near the subdivision, as a realtor advised them there could be large drop in property valuations for the residential homes nearby. It was indicated that previously Council disallowed mini-homes when selling lots through the initial Purchase & Sale Agreements, but it was pointed-out that this would not prevent mini-homes from being installed on older lots no longer subject to this condition. Therefore to properly address the matter, the bylaws should be updated to reflect this exclusion prior to being adopted.

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**Motion:** To modify the drafted zoning bylaws to disallow mini-homes from being installed along residential areas on Route 124, Bellvue Drive, Senateur Arsenault Street, and Wendell Gallant Road and to hold a public meeting on Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm to allow residents to provide input on the bylaws.

Motion moved by Yolande Gallant and seconded by Paul Gallant.

**Motion Carried.**

**b) Ride-On Lawnmower**

Roger Gallant reported on a quote for a new 46" Husqvarna ride-on lawnmower of \$2,100 plus HST, which was discounted 20% from the regular \$2,600 selling price. There was a discussion on the merits of purchasing this, and it was decided to proceed with it.

**Motion:** To purchase a new 46" Husqvarna ride-on lawnmower from *M&J Professional Saws* for \$2,100 plus HST.

Motion moved by Roger Arsenault and seconded by Phil LeBlanc.

**Motion Carried.**

**5. Financial Update**

Nothing extraordinary to report.

**6. New Business / Other**

**a) Club 50 Rental**

Roger Gallant reported that there was an interested party to rent the upstairs of the Club 50 building for a food catering or take-out service business. There were questions as to the specific requirements of the interested party and their future plans, so a further meeting will be held with them to try to determine this.

**b) Dog Complaint**

Roger Gallant reported that a resident complained on a pit bull in the municipality that was found loose. It is believed to be under the regular control of its owner but that it had simply escaped.

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**c) Other**

Roger Gallant reported that a resident enquired on purchasing a vacant partial-lot next to their home in order to build a garage next to their house. It was pointed-out that it should be allowed based on the zoning bylaws.

Roger Gallant reported that a piece of the playground equipment in the Bellevue Subdivision Park was reported broken. It was fixed by installing new bolts.

Roger Gallant reported that new padlocks were purchased for the Sewer Utility and that a lift station cover needed welding repairs.

Roger Gallant reported that the new roof installation at the Club 50 building should be started within a few weeks.

**7. Correspondence**

**a) FPEIM**

An E-Mail was received on Oct 1st for an On-Line Annual Meeting to be held October 19th, 2020 from 9:30am-2:30pm. Roger Gallant will attend.

**8. Next Meeting**

Next meeting is to be held Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 8:00pm.

**9. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

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Roger Gallant, Mayor

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Pierre Arsenault, Administrator

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