

Resort Village of Elk Ridge Meeting w/Randy Hoback August 22, 2025 - 10:00 AM

Mayor Smith-Windsor welcomed Randy Hoback and Waskesiu Council representatives.

In Attendance:

Mayor: Marg Smith-Windsor

Councillors: Jacqueline Archer, Russell Schwehr

Minute taker: Trudy Engel

Waskesiu: Bob Cyr, Rob Phillips

Government of Canada: Randy Hoback, Cindy Sass, Sarah Munford, Breanne (Exec Admin

to Randy Hoback), Richard Fromm

- 1. Postal Code: Resort Village of ER has issues getting onto SaskAlert, getting important mail such as ballots because we share the same postal code as Christopher Lake. Phone calls and enquiries will be made to sort this out and get us our own postal code.
- 2. Lagoon Expansion. A sewage Lagoon expansion will cost the RV anywhere from \$7,000,000 to \$10,000, 000. Randy suggested the RV put together a 5 to 10 year proactive game plan and have everything ready to submit to the Federal Government when the Federal Budget comes out and funds become available. Those that are ready with their requests and plans will have priority.
- 3. Walking Path within the Resort Village is starting in the fall. The goal is to provide a safe walking / biking path within the Community for all residents and guests. This path is a start to show initiative towards a path joining Elk Ridge and Waskesiu.
- 4. Path Connecting Waskesiu and Elk Ridge. This should be a priority for Public Safety to get hikers and bikers off the main highway. Waskesiu is celebrating it's 100th Anniversary in 2028 and that would be a good time for the path to be complete. We need to get past the Park stalling on this project. We should try to find a local "Band" that would like to resurrect the "freight trail".
- 5. Land Annexation to expand the sewage lagoon we may need to annex land.
- 6. Rob Phillips, Bob Cyr, Jacqueline Archer would like to see Waskesiu and Elk Ridge work together to utilize our empty Fire Hall. Waskesiu has a Fire Truck that needs to be upgraded and a Fire Hall that needs to be rebuilt. We need to invest in pumps and lines. Randy will

meet with the Superintendent in Waskesiu to discuss Fire Safety issues and how the 2 communities can work together to share equipment, buildings and personnel to keep both communities safe with regards to Fire Concerns.

Randy will meet with the Superintendent to see what she needs to be done going forward and see how we can get the Park on board to work together with Elk Ridge for Fire Concerns, a Walking/Biking trail to connect the 2 communities and keep the public safe and off the major highway (ideally to have the trail operational for 2028).

Sarah will contact our CAO to set up regular meetings with Cindy. That would give us the opportunity to get Federal updates and a chance to repoort major issues within the Communities.

In Summary there are 3 major items that the Federal Government will help achieve.

- 1. Fire Hall, fire truck, upgrades to all fire related equipment. Get the 2 communities to work together to keep this area well protected from fires.
- 2. Get the Park on board to connect the 2 communities with a walking/biking trail to provide safe access for Healthier Active Lifestyles.
- 3. Provide the Resort Village of Elk Ridge their own unique postal code so that we can be recognized as a community.

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