

Summer Village of Sandy Beach
Deputy Mayor Larysa Lucin's Report
June 23, 2022

1. One member of the FCSS has resigned from their position. Currently looking for a new member. As of today, the committee consists of myself and Jamie Kraley.

Report submitted by Larysa Lucin

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June 15

Emergency Management Agency Meeting

The meeting was held at the Sunset Point Bible Camp. Emergency management is negotiating with the camp to provide facilities for a fairly large scale evacuation center. The main camp lodge can house up to 175 people in separate room of 4-5 people each room. The administration lodge can house from 36 to 60 people in motel style rooms. Both lodges have full commercial kitchen facilities; there are also laundry facilities and large and small meeting rooms that can accommodate over 300 people at a time. There is also a large playground for children. The camp was beautifully kept and was very impressive.

We had a discussion about the difficulty in maintaining DEM's within small communities. Management will be looking into alternatives that are being tried in Pigeon Lake group 7 & 3 and Athabasca. They will be discussing with Province on how to modify the original DEM and DDEM structural requirements for small villages, and look more towards a group sharing of the DEM and DDEM positions. One safeguard is to have the CAO as DDEM or Mayor being the only person to call a SOLE in their respective municipality.

Brian Brady of Yellowstone has offered to help us temporary or possible fulltime with regards to our DEM situation. He will be sending us some info after discussion with his council.

Other items

Identification lanyards were distributed for help in recognizing officials at the start of an emergency. Alberta Incident Management System (AIMS) looking for input from Summer Villages for improvement in the operation of Incident management

and then to collaborate with the ICS system. There is ongoing concern to make sure there is quorum for both Agency and Committee meetings.

The regional group is asking councils to advocate that the SVLSACE Emergency Management group be included at the table in SVLSACE, and regional county meetings. Overall need to strengthen regional collaboration within LSA County, Alberta Beach, Onoway, Mayerthorpe, and Barrhead.

There was discussion about Free Systems that can provide the same service as All-Net. These are being vetted by Darren Jones of Yellowhead and top 3 will be presented to committee in near future.

Councils asked to review Shelter in Place Plans

- Do we have any?
- Request info from Agency?

Agency will be strengthening plans for Evacuation Process. This will be done in stages and presented to Committee.

Are You Prepared brochures were received and will be available at Canada Day and at the office;

As a final note the Pope's visit to the LSA pilgrimage site scheduled for July 26 was discussed. If this visit does occur, the general area can expect an influx of 250,000 to 500,000 people. The areas around LSA will be most affected by this, but traffic on Highway 44, 37, and 642 could be problematic. Also residents should be aware that these types of events add a high risk for theft and other problems. If this visit does occur it would be wise to remind residents of risks both on Website, All-Net and village signs.

Michael Harney

Councillor