

RURAL HEDLEY PROPERTY OWNERS SOCIETY

Date: October 16, 2025

Time: 5:03 PM

Meeting called to order by: Kirsten Simmons

IN ATTENDANCE

Kirsten Simmons, Bob Whitford, Tammy Gillespie, Gillian Welton, Christine Maxwell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were read from the September meeting, and approved by Gillian, 2nd by Bob

BUDGET

A non-dated, 2025 income statement was provided: Document attached.

- Majority vote from board required for purchases
- Call out Sept 3, 2025, to be paid by RDOS
- Steve and Kirsten Simmons to sell Truck to RHPOS. Date to be determined
- Cumulative total of equipment and supplies to be reimbursed via receipt totals, to Kirsten and Steve Simmons. Date to be determined

REPORTS

Fire Chief: Steve - Sept 2025 Fire Services Report: (available on request)

WorkSafe: Legal Entity Change Form initiated

President: Gillian: \$25K Fortis Grant application submitted October 8, 2025, in the amount of \$25,000. Anticipated reply is within 30 days. Several more in the works. Directors Gilles Bernier and Lesley Robbins have been removed from the Board

Vice President: Tammy: Definition of roles and responsibilities requested:

Logo's: Board voted on 4 options. 1 More option to view prior to final decision. Majority rules.

Member Dave Friesen received another member's receipt in error. Double check address before hitting send

Member Fee Receipts and to be dated: Agreed MMM/DD/YYYY

Treasurer Kirsten: Monthly income and expense statement reviewed. \$600 in donations received.

Erris Volunteer Fire Association: Summer BBQ Recap – Call out for Pineview Fire Services attendance.

Questions:

- Frequency and location of Treasury items: Monthly, paper copy provided at meetings. May be provided online at a future date. To be determined when site is up and running and depending on funding and society needs.
- Property Tax not included in lease? Cost is minimal, land parcel where firehall is located only has the firehall on it.

BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Questions brought forward from Membership:

- If the department is on scene of a non-resident accident and a fire breaks out, what is priority? Anticipated there will be 2 trucks, both could be attended.
- What happens to the fire hall lease if something happens to the lessee? Lease remains in place. Lease holder changes to declared beneficiary (Child of lessee).

Website: Options:

- Options: Webhost Canada, Webador and Host Papa. Tammy motioned for Web Host Canada. Kirsten 2nd.
- Tammy will expense or will PAD from Society account.
- Domain Name:

App Purchase (Hall Communication):

App for Hall Personnel Communication: Pagers may be more economical.

Liability Insurance:

- Two companies will provide insurance. Similar coverage. Opted for lower cost coverage with CFC. Management Liability to be included. Application process started. Estimated cost is around \$1000/yr

Fund Raising:

- Kirsten canvassed Princeton businesses for Hall and Grand Opening donations: Home Hardware, both locations, Browns, Billy's, Save On Foods, Kal Tire, The Winkler.
- Grand Opening: by donation hot dogs, pops etc., 50/50 draw, Raffel Baskets. Date to be determined
- Gaming license - Kirsten will apply in advance
- Food Safe - Bob and Kirsten are certified
- Round Table for Fundraising ideas: movie night, casino night, calendar photo contest, bottle drive, bingo night, popcorn or chocolate sales

Specific Items for Grant Applications

- Fortis application: detailed above
- Farm Credit Canada: need to prove farms in service location
- Applications vary in requirements and value. Board members and Fire Chief will participate in application processing and follow up as required

Additional Item:

COMMUNICATION To: Pineview Fire Protection Society FROM: Protective Services Department, RDOS; **Call Outs and response protocols within the RDOS:**

Kirsten responding: Board reviewed document. Item A) 1) Physical addresses to be added. Tammy will provide the addresses for Kirsten

Announcements:

Possible Fire Smart Event in Hedley. Attendees, RDOS, Keremeos and RHPOS to clean up Disk Golf Course and provide a Fire Smart Assessment. Date to be determined.

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting will be held on November 3, 2025, at ?

Frequency cadence increased from every other month to as needed, during initiation and set up of hall and society.

Motion to adjourn was passed at 6:55 PM and passed unanimously.

CARRY FORWARD

- Website: Domain name and payment (Amount, PAD or expense)
- Definition of roles and responsibilities requested:
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- Hall Communication
- Grand Opening Date and details
- Disk Golf Course Clean up
- Google account access review – 2 factor authentication required