



PARCS UPDATE #78 PART ONE: SEPT. 8TH

PART TWO TO FOLLOW: SEPT. 13TH

A NEWSLETTER IN 2 PARTS:

Our feature story for this month will be:

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN CITIZENS DISAGREE WITH COUNCIL?

We will be describing the legal means that citizens may choose to use to exert influence on an RM Council or on a Resort Village Council.

However, we are sending out this first part now in order to keep reminding you that time is running out for reserving a room at the hotel (Sept. 19) for the upcoming convention. **Lynne Saas**

Hello Lynne,

Please find attached a registration form for the three of us on the Indian Point Golden Sands Hamlet Board.

Note that the RM of Parkdale will forward a cheque to cover our registration amounts, in accordance with a recent hamlet board meeting in which we directed the Council to do so from our funds.

We decided to attend both days this year as it appears you folks have put together a very informative and interesting program.

Yours truly,
Jim Glasrud, Secretary,
Indian Point Golden Sands Hamlet Board.

Hi Lynne,

Our Mayor Harvey McEwen **attended the convention last year and LOVED it!**

He would very much like to volunteer for a table host. He has vast understanding/experience with land sliding and is passionate for resort villages.

Kind Regards,
Sharie Hall; CAO
Resort Village Saskatchewan Beach

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I receive all kinds of registrations.

Some come on the standard registration form (see page 4 attached).

Some are sent in an email, telling me the name of the community, the names of the attendees, etc. **An email note is an OK registration.** I send a confirmation email to all registrants.

Hearing from our communities is like hearing from old friends.

attending both days...no extra banquet ticket required.

Unfortunately I am the only one from West Chatfield able to attend this year. I will submit my request for payment to the RM .

The Agenda looks great! I am looking forward to it. Ruth Seime

I also keep notes on phone conversations with the folks who will be our table hosts at convention.

These are some of the folks who will be **sharing their stories** at the banquet.

Tom Fulcher, Mayor
Resort Village of Sunset Cove

This RV mayor was appalled at the new assessments that came in for the 50 cottages in his small resort village.

He decided to file an appeal ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THE COTTAGERS IN THE RV. It had never been done before – but he succeeded in getting the assessment dropped enough to save his ratepayers \$27,800 – **more than \$500 per cottage – super!**

Sherri Hall, Sask Beach
Sask Beach

They are struggling to recover from the slumping which destroyed their community hall and village office. Lost 1 home, 5 others in question.

80 full-time residents put in applications to PDAP.

Waterlines, gas lines (big costs in switching to propane), road horrible – **yikes!**

Ross Wilson
Mayor
RV Lumsden
Beach

2017 PARCS Convention will be held on Friday Oct. 20th and Saturday Oct. 21st at the Hilton Garden Inn in Saskatoon, located right downtown on 22nd Street, just 3 blocks off Idylwyld, close to mall shopping. Off-street parking is available (\$10 daily). Rooms are held on a first come, first served basis. Guest rooms contain microwaves, mini fridges, and Keurig coffee machines. **You must reserve before Sept. 19.**

This year we have arranged rooms for Thursday night, for those delegates arriving Thursday evening before the convention (registration opens at 9:00 am Friday). We've also held a few rooms for Saturday for delegates wishing to stay for the weekend. When registering be sure to state which day you will be arriving, and state that you are registering as part of the PARCS convention.

A small RV of 90 cottages operates their own well for potable water – **wow!**

THE HILTON GARDEN INN 244-2311

- Conference Hotel
- 1st Ave & 22nd St., Saskatoon
- Across from Midtown Plaza
- 20 kings (**\$134**) AND 20 double queens (**\$139**) plus 13%
- For **Thursday, Oct. 19** or **Friday, Oct. 20**
- Additional 5 rooms for **Saturday, Oct. 21**
- **Booking Code: PARCS-6**
- Discounted outdoor parking at \$10 per day
- All rooms have fridge, microwave, Keurig K cup
- Must cancel **24 hours** before day of arrival

REVISED PROGRAM FOR CONVENTION 2017

THEME – COMMUNICATIONS – SHARING OUR STORIES

FRIDAY, OCT. 20, 2017

- 9:00 am *Registration, Coffee and Nutrition*
- 9:30 am **Welcome and announcements**
- 9:45 to 12:00 **Planning for Effective Communications -
Plenary workshop** (Dr. Lynn Gidluck, Benchmark Public Relations)
- 12:00 to 1:00 pm *LUNCH*
- 1:00 to 2:00 pm **What if communications fail and citizens complain?
The role of the provincial ombudsman** (Office of the Ombudsman)
- 2:00 to 2:45 pm **The Community Newsletter – A tool for effective communication**
- Manitou Matters – Resort Village of Manitou Beach
 - Collingwood Newsletter – OH of Collingwood Estates
- 2:45 to 3:00 pm *NUTRITION BREAK*
- 3:00 to 4:00 pm **Possible topics for PARCS future discussions with government**
1. Fair Representation of cottage owners on RM Councils
 2. Training for newly elected council members
 3. Fair elections for ratepayers in cottage communities
 4. Lessee voters in resort villages – Ron O’Byrne
 5. Better criteria for items in OH budgets that RMs must approve
- 4:00 to 5:00 pm *Break before evening events*
- 5:00 to 6:00 pm *HAPPY HOUR before the PRESIDENT’S BANQUET*
- 6:00 pm *AN OLD FASHIONED FALL SUPPER*
- A scavenger hunt, music, silent auction, and pies for desert*

SATURDAY, OCT. 21, 2017

- 9:00 to noon **PARCS BUSINESS, ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTIONS**
- 12:00 to 1:00 pm *LUNCH*
- 1:00 to 2:00 pm **Part 1 - Panel Presentation: Mergers and annexations**
- 2:00 to 2:30 pm **Part 2 - Ministry of Government Relations: The rules to follow**
- 2:30 to 3:15 pm **When we seek help resolving our disputes -
Role of the Saskatchewan Municipal Board** (Sask Municipal Board)
- 3:15 to 3:30 pm *NUTRITION BREAK*
- 3:30 to 4:30 pm **How to be proactive about planning with our neighbours**
(SARM, Community Planning)

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM (NOTE **REDUCED RATES IN YELLOW**)

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Cottage community (or association): _____

Contact person, name: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

CONVENTION (Includes Friday lunch, Friday banquet plus Saturday lunch, all nutrition breaks)

Attending for **both days**

• # attending from **member communities** (voting delegates): _____ x **\$ 225** = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

• # attending from **non-member communities**: _____ x **\$ 325** = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

Attending for **Friday Only (All day, including banquet)**

• # attending from **member communities**: _____ : _____ x **\$ 150** = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

• # attending from **non-member communities**: _____ x **\$ 250** = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

Attending for **Friday Only (Day only, no banquet)**

• # attending from **member communities** : _____ x **\$ 125** = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

• # attending from **non-member communities**: _____ x **\$ 225** = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

Attending for **Saturday only**

• # attending from **member communities** (voting delegates): _____ x **\$ 100** = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

• # attending from **non-member communities**: _____ x **\$ 200** = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

Extra banquet tickets (no spousal packages available): _____ x **\$ 30** = \$ _____

REGISTER SOON by mail or email to:

Lynne Saas, PARCS, Member Services

Box 52, Elbow, SK, S0H 1J0

Phone – 630-9698

Email – parcs@sasktel.net

TOTAL FEES

_____ Fees are enclosed

_____ Fees will follow by mail

_____ Fees will be paid at convention

Note – Registrations cancelled after October 1st will be invoiced for full fees.

Copy this form and fill it in. Email it to parcs@sasktel.net

If you don't have a scanner – you can just send us an email detailing all of the information.

We will confirm your reservation by email – immediately upon receipt of your email reservation.

MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS EARLY (see page 2)