



**Board Meeting Minutes  
23 October 2023  
Waberski Residence**

**In Attendance:**

Mike Waberski - President  
Ross Foden (Zoom)  
Loreen Ruault  
Lindsay Brennan (Regrets)  
Mark Chapman (Regrets)

Eric Dickie  
Jake Baziuk (Regrets)  
Sheryl Bolton – Treasurer  
Maura McCarthy

**The meeting then was brought to order at 4:02 pm.**

**Adoption of the Agenda**

MOTION: to approve the Agenda as distributed. M/S/C

**Minutes of the last meeting**

As this was an extraordinary Board Meeting, the minutes from the previous meeting 2023 were not submitted. They will be dealt with at the next regularly convened meeting.

**Director's Reports:**

All Director's Reports will be submitted at the next regular meeting.

**The Purchase of Silverhawk Utilities by the RDNO (Mike, Ross, Eric)**

DISCUSSION: Mike Ross and Eric met with the CAO of the RDNO, David Sewell on October 20th where he disclosed the terms of the purchase of Silverhawk by the RDNO. He also outlined the Alternate Approval Process to be used for electorate approval to borrow \$4.5 million over 20 years to facilitate the purchase. There will also be 4 annual payments of \$500K to follow the purchase.

At \$6 million the consensus of the Board was that the RDNO overpaid. The RDNO used the present cash flow to evaluate the price to be paid despite the ratepayers' concerns that we are paying twice what is normal sewage rates. There will be no rate reductions for 4 years.

The Board reluctantly supported the purchase, citing the opportunity to finally get transparency on how we are charged for wastewater treatment at Silver Star.

#### **FESBC Silver Star Road FireSmarting project (Mike)**

DISCUSSION: the pricing for the Crown Land Portion came in over budget. FESBC has agreed to extend the completion to spring of 2025, allowing the consultant, Forsite, more time to refine pricing.

#### **GIS Project (Mike)**

DISCUSSION: the project has been on hold as it has reached budget and a new strategy is needed to get a product that can address the needs of the SSPOA and DSS. The analogy of a seeking a Cadillac and settling for a Chev was used, now we need to find the best Chev.

#### **Sign Repairs (Mike)**

Ski Access #9 sign has been repaired and the broken post replaced.

The sign post at the entrance to Attridge Lane has been repaired and re-installed. The sign itself will need to be replaced as the original has been taken by someone.

**Next Meeting** – the next meeting will be on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm at Loreen Ruault's home at Silver Star.

**Termination** – the meeting was terminated at 5:12 pm