The following has been transcribed from an audio recording of a Public Meeting which was held in the Glaslyn Community Hall on August 18, 2018 to discuss an application to restructure the Organized Hamlets of Indian Point Golden Sands and Turtle Lake Lodge into the East Side Resort Village of Turtle Lake. This audio recording was done in addition to the written recording which was provided, at the request of representatives of the petitioners and the Rural Municipality, by Darcy Olson. Reeve Daniel Hicks opened the meeting and announced that this meeting would be recorded, at which time, Leslie Clark Turned on the recording device which provided the following.

Unknown-Nope.

Dan Hicks- Alright.

Inaudible

Dan Hicks- Ah. Hmm. Has everybody signed in yet? Pardon?

Darcy Olson- They want me to take...

Dan Hicks-Pardon?

Darcy Olson- I've been asked to take minutes.

Les Clark and Linda Sandwick - Yes.

Les Clark - Ok. Can you do that?

Darcy- It's been many years since I took minutes but I can give it a try.

Les Clark- There you go.

Dan Hicks - Have a chair there if you like

Darcy- Ok.

Unknown-Show em Darcy.

Darcy Olson- laughs

Dan- Has everybody signed in? I'm assuming you have. Ok, introduction of the head table to my right is Les Clark, Councilor for Division six, to the left is Linda Sandwick Deputy Reeve for Parkdale, next is Jim Glasrud from the hamlet...

Crowd- Can't hear you! Can't hear you! Is there a mic system? Does that mic work?

Dan- Yeah, looks like, I thought maybe you could hear me but...

Inaudible

Les Clark- Do you want to go over and read those?

Linda Sandwick- Yeah I do.

Les Clark - What?

Linda Sandwick- Inaudible

Inaudible

Dan Hicks- Can you hear me now?

Crowd- Yes.

Dan Hicks- We'll start over then, for those of you who don't know me, my name is Dan Hicks. I'm the Reeve of Parkdale. Has everybody signed in? Yep? Good. Now I introduced the head table. On the end is Les Clark, the next person there is Linda Sandwick the Deputy Reeve, Jim Glasrud, then Troy Johnson, you got Ed Tomanek about to sit down, and Mr. Olson is the ah... going to record the minutes for us. We have Bonnie and Colleen from municipal advisory services. I'll let them introduce themselves and make the introduction here in a few minutes yet to come. I was supposed to read this preamble to this petition now I... inaudible.

#### Inaudible

Linda Sandwick- Ok there was two petitions that were submitted. They mirror each other. One from Turtle Lake Lodge and one from Indian Point Golden Sands and they read, bear with me they are a little bit lengthy:

Reads petition from Indian Point Golden Sands as written

Linda Sandwick- And the other petition is exactly the same except that it applies to.. its coming from the perspective of, of Turtle Lake Lodge. Do you feel that I need to read that too? Or are you satisfied with... *Inaudible* I'll take that as a yes. Oh just a second. It says the reasons are on the back of this and they should be reviewed. It says that the reasons for this proposal are:

Reads reasons on back of Indian Point Golden Sands petition as written.

Inaudible

Dan Hicks- Ok. Next on the agenda is the introduction of Bonnie Chambers and Colleen Christopherson. They are a resource from ministry of Government Elections I guess. *Inaudible*.

Inaudible

Bonnie Chambers- Government Relations.

Dan Hicks- I'll call on Bonnie and Colleen to give a presentation regarding legislation process and potential outcomes of this application.

Colleen Christopherson- I'm Colleen Christopherson and my director is sitting there. That's Bonnie. So she let me come first. So and I'm from advisory services, the acting Manager of Advisory Services *Inaudible*. So I'm going to talk to you about today just a little bit and then answer questions later if you do have questions, it's a little bit about the process to give you an idea what the process that has taken place and has still yet to happen on this particular petition and application that is put forward. So as you've just heard read, the very first thing that happens to initiate this where, where an organized hamlets are showing their interest in becoming a resort village would be petition D. Form D. That was just read to you. So that's the initiation. The start of a process where organized hamlets or individuals within an organized hamlet are interested in becoming a resort village. That's happened and that map is included and the petition was deemed success-or-sufficient by the administration of the RM.

Dan Hicks- Are you gonna read this agreement? I'll ask you then...

Colleen Christopherson- So and after that, the legislation states that the RM shall move forward with public notice and with having a public meeting, providing an opportunity for objections, written objections and support to come in. All those things, of which will be part of the final application. So the RM and the petition representatives and the organized hamlet boards will work together try to put together any type of agreement, or and the application of which there's many other little aspects. If you've been reviewing the application that is there so far. On the table you will see there is many other areas that are expected to be included in that application, like a plan for future development and growth, a budget, a proposed budget, what are you looking at, evidence of what the future might look like, sustainability, that kind of thing is what we're going to see, as expected to be as part of that application and requirement to be. So from there, when they publish this meeting they have to provide, four weeks from the last date of publication, for objections to be provided. My understanding that date is the 23rd of this month. So you still have some time, objections or support, to do a written submission. Every one of those written submissions will be included in their original typing, handwriting, whatever they came in like those will be included in the application that will be received by the ministry and reviewed very carefully. So the public meeting have to be at least one week after the last publication and then comes the public meeting and the final date for those submissions, written submissions, to be entered. The minutes from this public meeting will also be included in that application, so things that are discussed here, concerns or support that's raised will certainly be part of those minutes that will also go with that application and will be reviewed by the ministry as they include that application and make a presentation of pulling things together inaudible Ministers designate to whether they are going to approve or reject the application. So in the restructuring process, this public meeting and the written submissions are very important part because that's your opportunity to more than just say yes or no on a ballot. It's an important opportunity to provide reasons why you're in favor, you support it, you think it might

be a good idea, or you don't support it, you think there's some issues you can see coming up with it. This is a very important time for you to voice those, it's an opportunity here for you to bring forward those, in a verbal way, and the written submissions are also important, those will also go forward, like I said within that application and will be reviewed. Thank you. Thank you. We will have to present this. We'll just hand this to the administrator, but we will make sure that their through Linda inaudible because your written submissions will go to the RM and will be reviewed there, and all of those letters and things will be included then afterwards in that application. As I said in the beginning, part of this process, the Rural Municipality is required when it receives this petition to proceed through the process and make that application and send that forward to the ministry. That's part of what has to happen when they receive a petition and that's what the legislation speaks to. Your Rural Municipality, as well as you and as the organized hamlet boards has an opportunity to put information forward, to put their resolutions, their support or their, their information that they believe. They have opportunities to put that forward in the application as well. Once the application is to come forward, the ministry, I will tell you, creating and incorporating a village, a resort village, a new Municipality is a very serious business. It's not something that is taken likely and certainly it's not something where your minimum requirements are taken at just face value as a minimum requirement. There is a careful, careful review to try and ensure and *inaudible* None of us know the future, but to review that content of that application that comes in to see whether or not that application will be approved or rejected and that the new Municipality, if its approved, would be able to be sustainable. And so that's in a nutshell, that's kind of what the process is all about. If there's a question on the process itself, we would certainly answer that we will be here to answer questions And Bonnies gonna talk to some of the other about the other...

Bonnie Chambers- Why don't we take questions now Colleen?

Colleen Christopherson- That's why I thought, we'd take questions about some of the process.

Bonnie Chambers- But please stand up so everyone can hear what you're saying.

Linda Sandwick- And please state your name.

Shannon Dekteroff – Excuse me, could I just ask that you move this way to save our necks please?

Bonnie Chambers- Yeah for sure. Ok. There's a question right here.

Darryl Arnott- My question is, you talk about process, where in this process, or is there a place in this process is there actually a physical vote? I know there was a petition circulated, in terms of interest to explore the option of looking at things. Is there an actual vote at some point?

Colleen Christopherson- In the process? Oh I'm sorry, in the process?

Inaudible

Darryl Arnott- Darrel Arnott.

Colleen Christopherson - In the process of the restructuring, once the application has taken place there isn't a specific spot for a vote. The process doesn't include that however, if at the end of the day the minister may ask for a vote, the voters may have required a vote and the council could have also decided to do a vote, however there are timelines because the vote is in relation to the same as a referendum, which would be a referendum and there's timelines included in there which would probably make it difficult as of today for one to be in place before the application was sent forward. But that there is those opportunities and even once the application goes forward, there's always there's still the opportunity for the ministry, should they decide that something like that might be necessary, the minister can determine that as well. But the written applications, or written submissions, I'm sorry, those are very, very important, those will be reviewed very carefully, and they come in and in your own handwriting or typing or whatever you've done, and signature on them with YOUR reasons and what you think and support. Those are review that's a very important aspect of those applications.

Bob Hamilton- Just as I make sure to follow up. Therefore a signature on the petition is viewed as a vote for?

Colleen Christopherson- It is not counted as a vote but for the rational and the numbers... pardon me?

Bonnie Chambers- Clarify what petition.

Colleen Christopherson- Oh yeah. What petition? You mean, you mean a letter for the, for the submission.

Unknown- What was just read to us.

Colleen Christopherson- Oh yes, ok.

Bonnie Chambers- No, that's not considered.

Colleen Christopherson- No, no. Absolutely. Thank you Bonnie for clarifying which petition. I'm sorry.

Bob Hamilton- So can you further clarify which petition you're talking about?

Colleen Christopherson- Ok, so I was talking about the letters that come in from the application, the question was about the petition which was read to you at the beginning. That's what initiates, it was that petition that was submitted to the RM, deemed sufficient, and which initiated the action that's taking place, the process that I just described to you. There's no, other than that, that's what initiated it and that would be included in the application but then there will also be, as we go through this, now of course like we talked about for your letters of submission at today's meeting, questions, concerns that may come out at today's meeting certainly will also be important yes.

Stuart Bruce- Stuart Bruce is my name, just double checking, the petition you just described, how many names are on it? And who is it from?

Colleen Christopherson- It would have been from, your right we should repeat that *inaudible* so who heard it the question was how many... "Whose names are on it? And "Who is the petition from?"

Stuart Bruce- In other words, we need a bit of history here

Colleen Christopherson - Ok.

Stuart Bruce-That's I think what's missing.

Colleen Christopherson- Ok, so that petition would have been signed in each organized hamlet by voters of those organized hamlets. And there was a representative that was also determined that signed and had was, was set up on that petition, so the... R, that was presented to the Rural Municipality, whichever voters, there was a sufficient number of voters. The Municipality determined that they were sufficient, they had voter's names on them. And then the Municipality is required then by legislation to proceed.

Dan Hicks- What do they need? Thirty?

Unknown- Just needed thirty yep.

Dan Hicks- Why didn't she say that?

Bob Hamilton - Well what was on the petition, what did the petition say?

Colleen Christopherson - Well that what was read to you just a few moments ago. The petition said, that the voters of this organized hamlet are intending to restructure, and they named the lands and the reasons why.

Bob Hamilton - Yes...

Colleen Christopherson- Yes.

Bob Hamilton - And you were to investigate the possibilities of doing so. How does that constitute a yes or a no?

Colleen Christopherson - Well and that's why these meetings are important so everybody can find out all the information.

Bob Hamilton- inaudible ... is there a cart before the horse I mean they've pretty much gone a long ways to back it up, I, what I... inaudible

Colleen Christopherson- That's the legislative process that's there that's what I said right now.

Bob Hamilton- Question of the process...

Colleen Christopherson - The petition does say that it plans to make, intends to apply, intends to apply. It doesn't say just explore but...

Bob Hamilton-I guess a person should really read the petition very closely.

Colleen Christopherson- That's correct. You need to make sure when you sign a petition. You're absolutely right. This ones standing at the back, yes?

Pat Horton- When you talked about the process you talked about validating the sustainability...

Colleen Christopherson- Yes?

Pat Horton- ... I'm just wondering if you can elaborate on that, how are the budgets... *Inaudible* ...and the sustainability from an administration perspective if you can...

Bonnie Chambers- Can you give your name too as well?

Pat Horton-Pat Horton

Colleen Christopherson - The process is very detailed in that it goes to a number of areas within the ministry to review those things. Can I give you the exact things that they would do? I can't do that because it's not me that does all of that. There is certainly maybe different areas within the ministry that will review the information when it comes in. Sometimes they require more information. They might call the Municipality and require more information or they might call an organized hamlet board and, and look at some different information if they feel that there isn't enough information to make that decision. But it does go through a number of processes and areas within the ministry. Yes?

Beth Kembel- My name is Beth Kembel from Indian Point. You've referred to the process and who can offer a vote. I have a motion here from the RM of Parkdale. September 2017 council meeting ... That the RM of Parkdale does hereby petition the ministry to submit the formation of the Turtle Lake East Side Resort Village to a vote of the affected rate payers as part of the decision process, once all the information is available to ensure that it is what the majority of those rate payers see as in their best interest. That motion was carried.

Coleen Christopherson- Mhmmm?

Beth Kembel- Where did we fall off that process?

Colleen Christopherson - You'll have to ask that of the RM.

Beth Kembel- Well the motion it sounds like it was a motion to petition the ministry, to submit the formation to a vote. So I'm not sure if they were saying they we're gonna operate the vote or you guys were gonna operate the vote but there's clearly some disconnect here and we were all wondering what happened to that.

Inaudible

Bonnie Chambers- Beth thanks for the question, we don't know what happened, I don't recall that coming to the ministry, but that doesn't mean it didn't so... Perhaps your one of the RM representatives can answer that. Dan do you have an answer for that one? You might not.

Dan Hicks- Well I'm only going on my memory but as I do recall we did pass that resolution but through advisory services we were informed that the vote wasn't necessary and wasn't part of the process.

Bonnie Chambers- Ok and we and it wasn't part of the process it did not mean that the council couldn't have put it to a vote on their own. It's not... our vote wouldn't be to come in and run the vote, pages certain parts in legislation where it says that like Colleen said they the minister may require a vote. There's portions in there where it says the voters could pass that petition for a referendum would compel the RM to hold a vote. And yes the public did contact us like they said. I can't remember about it. We would have said it wouldn't be necessary to have a vote but you could have a vote.

## Inaudible

Colleen Christopherson- But if they had to have a vote it would not have stopped that particular petition from an application from being submitted to the ministry because that's a shell.

Les Clark- One other thing with regards to that motion was the very last sentence that said once all the information is received, and we have just got that, so that's the position that we are just in now. And it only came in yesterday which followed our council meeting.

Colleen Christopherson- So just to be clear on that one about a vote if a vote is taken that information would be included in that application. It does not stop the application, because the application is a shell.

#### Inaudible

Beth Kembel- I would think that with that motion in place, there should be some kind of response to us as ratepayers who all thought we were going to get to vote on this once the information was gathered. Now we are at a public meeting we have four weeks to form a response to information that we have never seen. That's very unfair to all of us as ratepayers, and I think as a municipal government or the RM who are basic governing powers now you need to take a step back and let the ratepayers deal with our questions and answers, get some answers and then let us have another public meeting or a vote or whatever because I think we need to make the decision based on the information that we've got and then that information if we have a vote and a resounding yes we want to go this way or no we don't want to go this way. That vote then should go to the ministry, and that should have a huge effect on their decision of what will be our future.

### **Applause**

Colleen Christopherson- Thank you.

Dan Hicks- I'd like the chance to respond a little bit.

Unknown- Do you want to come to the mic?

Linda Sandwick- Do you want to go to the mic?

Dan Hicks- As of this meeting by municipal advisory services from the time we receive the petition to when the public meeting has to be is, that was today, that was kinda the deadline for it. As for having a vote, I wouldn't know all the paperwork, but if I asked you people to come and vote on something without us ever having an agreement or some proper budgets or figures for you to look at. We didn't feel that you would know what you were voting on until you seen all of the facts of the matter. And that what I just stated, was finalized yesterday, so I don't know... you go ahead.

Inaudible

Dan- You go ahead.

Stuart Bruce- Thank you, Stuart Bruce is my name for the minutes...

Unknown- You'll have to go to the mic please.

Inaudible

Stuart Bruce- Sorry, for those of you who couldn't hear, Stuart Bruce is my name. Can you hear me at the back? Thank you. I'm just going to take a minute to just take it easy here and say I really, really love Turtle Lake. I want to back off the administrative stuff for a second and just say I think it's important for us to understand that we come to the lake to enjoy ourselves. We come to the lake to have fun, to ride our boats around and to have our children swimming and to go out and fish and do all the things that we like to do at the lake. Just as we did here in the last few weeks, to just sit back and just simply know that a great vacation because my biggest decision was, am I going to make another pot of coffee? Laughs So I wanted to get the emotional part of me out of that out of the discussion, for a second before we get into business. So please bear with me. Turtle Lake, their administration is a lot of work. I'm a chartered professional accountant, I work for the city of Edmonton, I describe myself as a pure finance guy, and that's what I do. I've been in the municipal government for many years and I love the work. What I'm essentially going to say here is that I think the people of that live on the east side of Turtle Lake or within these boundaries that were described earlier, need a chance to really understand what it is we are getting into. To have a budget and a business plan and a proposal, put on us-sorry I don't mean that negatively-but provided to us two or three days before a meeting like this I think we need more time and so that's one of my inherent questions here, is can we simply delay this process for a while to give for few months or even six weeks to a year to give us some time to actually absorb this? I've been through many, many business plans and many, many reorganizations. Many, many of these kinds of processes, not this specific process here in Saskatchewan, but because I live in Edmonton and it does save time to understand exactly what's going on. To be able to take all those documents over there on that table and go over those and completely understand them takes some time. To see them today, and to have a revised budget coming into my inbox in my email yesterday, which is a five year budget, I just don't have time to get into it. And I've got a lot of questions. The other part of it is that, we as residents I think we need to have a chance to vote. And I want to ask the Reeve, we do need time to do that. And I know that it's your decision, and I know you have considered this, however I think we do need time to have a vote. And to have that vote properly recorded and to make it clear to the minister, exactly where we stand. Because here I am reading an email that came into my inbox yesterday, that says in part, and this is from Leslie Clark, and not to take a shot at you here, but it simply says at the bottom that if you do not submit a letter, it will be assumed that you are in favor of forming the village. That does not sound like a democratic process to me. Inaudible This is a democracy no matter what we think and I think we need the time to vote. We need the time to absorb this information and I think we need the time to understand that just clearly from my point of view, the administration of the Municipality takes a lot of expenditure, it takes a lot of time. And I want to thank the RM for absorbing all these expenditures over all these years as we developed Turtle Lake. They did. There's a lot of expenditures, I understand that from a very detailed perspective. It takes a lot to actually run a Municipality, and much of it we just simply don't see. They've done a great job so far, and then all of the sudden to have to do this on our own, we're going to be scrambling, I can tell you that. So, thank you.

# Applause

Dan Hicks- Before and if I would ask for a show of hands of how many wanted to vote or didn't, I think I'd better refer to Colleen here to see if it's even a possibility.

Colleen Christopherson- You have time to do a vote.

Bonnie Chambers- There's no timeline for the application to be sent in, ok, once you have it.

Dan Hicks- Just the public meeting part?

Bonnie Chambers- Just the public meeting part in relation to the ads and objections, ok, but that doesn't mean you have to send it in or that the RM has to send it in right away. If the RM wanted to hold it back and have a referendum, a vote on it, that is a possibility.

Dan Hicks- ok. That's clear to me. Does everyone else understand that? Ok. This time I guess we will just ask for a show of hands who would be in favor of delaying it and having a vote?...

Opposed?

Shannon Dekteroff- What's the delay? Do you mean do we have a timeline of delay?

Dan Hicks- Well we will have the vote as quickly as possibly but I mean...

Shannon Dekteroff- Ok

### Inaudible

Unknown- I have a question about the question of the vote, so the reason I didn't raise my hand was I am concerned that, where is this actually going? Like I understand from the process right that this has to move ahead. Like I was not in favor of the process at all to even start. My understanding from the ministry, is once this process is started we are almost committed to see this process through to the minister level, is that not correct? Is there any way, my question as a ratepayer, can we abandon this whole process?

Unknown- Good question.

Troy Johnson- Well we did have a public meeting at our resort. Well attended and well 2014... inaudible

Linda Sandwick- Troy do want to...inaudible

Troy Johnson - We did have public meetings at IPGS well-advertised AGM we had a lengthy discussion about the prospect first that we explored that we've got emails and minutes and different things to present to ratepayers that we looked at. We brought that forward and those are documented. And then in 2015 we presented that said that that we're this process now, we had a motion from the floor that it was time to initiate that process well you'll find the legislation if you go through and you read it, it is a step by step process to initiate that process and it had if not one hundred and ninety nine of the about eighty five delegates that were at that meeting. So this isn't thrust upon anyone over the last few minutes. This has been going on since 20... Early 2014. There have been a lot of documents about assembled there are, are quite right, that some of them just showed up this morning and our revised budget. We didn't have the negotiations finalized, what was gonna happen with it as Stuart alluded to it's a very complex thing initiating an RV so we had to make sure everything is done correctly we've got to create plans and extend these to the administrator, an administrator to training, all these sorts of things as well as still lots that is gonna transpire as the process, if it were to be successful, what would happen? Because you don't want to initiate a process, be successful and then ok what now? That's that if you go through that document you will see there will be nothing well, it's well thought out, well planned, the budget is well reviewed by a municipal consultant, the tax roll budgets from our original budget, Turtle Lake Lodge original budget. The last couple of years we've got a lot of information there Kivimaa- Moonlight Bay's Budget. That feedback from the administrator, we've incorporated a lot of stuff out of the RM's budget that they said felt were missing out of our budget so we worked with the RM a lot and did a deal done on the lagoon and transfer station, road maintenance agreements... inaudible after...

Brian Clark- A week ago? Oh, come on! We haven't had time to look at anything here!

Troy Johnson- No I, I disagree with that, so I scrutinized these agreements yesterday with the RM...

Brian Clark- We got the last revised budget at ten o clock last night!

Troy Johnson- Yeah I know, I'm acknowledging that and so they said there's a possibility for delay. No one's forcing anything on anyone right here, this is a public meeting probably just to say and it's let's take two months and review this data or whatever you think needed. It's pretty straight forward information if you read through it.

## Laughter

Troy Johnson- So, so it's a process, and if you look through the data and look through the information assembled I think you'll be fairly impressed with the where we are in the process as far as the information...

Bob Hamilton- Troy I'd like to thank for the hard work all you guys have done to get to this point, but honestly how do you feel that the tax payer who is gonna foot the bill for this change to support it when that pile of paper on those tables, today is the first chance that I've got to see it!

Troy Johnson- Well the decision isn't being made today to incorporate a village.

Bob Hamilton- Well it is.

Troy Johnson- No it isn't ... inaudible

Bob Hamilton- Well it is Troy, don't say that.

Troy Johnson- The regular response, I think that I've just heard people say that it's likely, that it's possible to be delayed until people can absorb the... inaudible

Bob Hamilton- that's fine... inaudible... well I just heard that the ministry will decide whether it goes ahead or not. That's what I heard...

Troy Johnson- That's not gonna happen any time soon so your gonna have time...

Bob Hamilton- What do you mean anytime soon? It could happen in four days from now after they get that information.

Troy Johnson- I would expect that that is unlikely...it's unlikely actually.

Colleen Christopherson- Can I just comment on timeline?

Troy Johnson-Yes.

Colleen Christopherson- Let me just comment on the timeline, first of all, the ministry and the minister will not be reviewing an application until it gets sent in, until the until the Rural Municipality, until the RM decides that they've got all the information and that they are ready to send it in. Second comment is, I did want to say that if the RM chooses to have a vote, there is legislative timelines and it will be a formal vote and that they will have to follow through the Local Government Elections Act on that process so that will take some time so depending on the day of the meeting and the passing of the bylaw to have that vote and all of the timelines

that you know giving the notice and getting the ballots made up and your looking at a fairly long time line at the best of times depending on when the next meeting come- when their next meeting is. So they certainly, if they decide to move forward with a vote there will be two months or three or two or three months I would say, even if they move forward right away and give people the time to review those things. Just wanted to comment on the timeline.

Inaudible

Unknown- That vote? Could it be submitted electronically or mailed? Lots of the residents are from Calgary and they're not going to drive to Glaslyn for the vote.

Unknown- And not only that, I see lots of people here... That probably head south too...

Unknown- My mom's gone to Arizona...

Dan Hicks- Could we have your name please?

Inaudible

Dan Hicks- Could we have your name please for the recording?

Greg Gagnon- Greg Gagnon.

Colleen Christopherson- I'll comment on that. According to the local government elections act, no you cannot email a vote. You could have, if the RM passed a bylaw for, mail in ballots and at some point between now and those ballots and that election. You would still have to get to the office and sign the document to prove your identification.

Linda Sandwick- And they do, we already have that bylaw.

Colleen Christopherson- Oh and they already have the bylaw for the mail in ballot so you would be able to have mail in ballots but you would have to have an opportunity to go to the office to sign that first to register and then the ballot would be sent to you at a later date and you'd be able to do it by mail in then. Yes? Sorry.

Inaudible

Colleen Christopherson - Are you speaking to me, or who are you talking to?

Stuart Bruce- I'm not sure who I'm talking to.

Laughter

Inaudible

Stuart Bruce- And I guess that's kind of the point is that really now I'm hearing that there IS an election or a vote. Now I'm hearing that it's somehow an elective or election process and that the minister doesn't- or does the minister still decide? Can we have a document that clearly defines exactly what the process is? I read this, which is sections fifty seven and fifty eight of I

think this is the municipal government act but it's not clear. Tell me who is clear on this process? Are you all clear on this process?

Audience- No!...

Unknown- You wanna try reading.

Inaudible

Stuart Bruce- Well my point is let's get a document that we can actually read and take home and refer and put that context around all these documents that are out there and actually consider this.

Bonnie Chambers- And sorry Stu, we don't have a document like that...um...

Stuart Bruce- Lets produce one then.

Dean Wells- Excuse me, let her talk, you've had your turn two or three times.

Stuart Bruce- Yep, I'm sorry.

Bonnie Chambers- I'll tell you what I can do, I'll give you my business card. Email me your question and I will respond by email. And what you do with that afterwards is up to you, if you want to forward it ok? That's what I can offer you today, ok? I want to address what you said about the vote, we never said it wasn't possible, we said legislation allows the minister could direct the matter to go to a vote. Legislation also allows your government, your local government to put the matter to a vote, if if that is what they decide. Ok? It's both are possible ok? It is possible. Today, you as a voter of Parkdale have asked your government, your local government to put the matter to a vote. I'm assuming its being considered because your reeve asked the question too. These are your elected officials. So bottom line, is a vote possible? Yes. And it could be directed by the ministry or by the govern- by your local government, ok? The minister, if the minister directs it, it is may, he may, he may not ok?

Colleen Christopherson- And the results Bonnie...

Bonnie Chambers – And the results, and yes, and ah, if it's ah, good point, if it's a vote under a referendum, as the council as the council initiates, it's binding on council, on the question.

Colleen Christopherson-...application...

Bonnie Chambers- The application, yes the application will still go forward, ok?

Unknown- Bonnie there's something I was going to ask.

Bonnie Chambers- But there's nothing saying the application is going to go forward before the vote. But the application has to go forward because the legislation says that the RM SHALL forward that application to the minister ok? And what we're saying today is the application could be forwarded after the vote is held. Is that understood? Does anyone have questions?

Colleen Christopherson- And that information would be included.

Bonnie Chambers- And yeah that's correct, that's a good point. And then what Colleen said was is the information on vote could be then be included in the application ok. Is that a little more clear? I see one gentleman standing.

Bob Leinenweber – My name is Bob Leinenweber. You're telling me the RM can delay this process until a vote? Can they delay it six months 'til everybody is back? You're not giving us a timeline.

Bonnie Chambers—Um? ...I'm thinking here ok? I'm thinking what the legislation says because there is. I don't think there's a timeline when they have to have it if council initiates it.

Colleen Christopherson- No, not... inaudible

Bob Leinenweber- Then can we make a motion to have?

Troy Johnson-1 just want to ask one question, this four day window after this meeting... it seems it seems unreasonably tight. So is it possible, like do people really need to be able to digest this information before they can intelligently respond whether they are for or against it. they all might read it and say yeah we're all for it or it might be the opposite but four day window is gonna be tight, is that four day window possible to get extended? Because then if everyone has time they can submit a formal response then it might...

Colleen Christopherson - So here's the main thing, before I should note that the four day window it was actually three weeks that they could've held, that the RM could have held this public meeting. It could have been held a week earlier and you would have had a little bit more time. But as to your exact question whether it could be extended, here's the thing the RM can choose to send in any of the objections that were received as part of the application in time for that deadline. If they choose to wait for a vote or do whatever and they see if they tell you if they receive objections after that date until such and such a date they are going to include them anyway for the minister, that's their choice. That's beyond, that's going above and beyond what the legislation requires. The legislation is meant to be the minimum that a Municipality would be required. Certainly that would be a question that you would want to direct to your Rural Council.

Troy Johnson- So I get from that that certainly we can assume that it's more than possible to give everyone lots of time because I think it's only appropriate that everyone really understands what's there. I think once they understand what's there they will get a good grasp of the level of preparedness.

Unknown- That would be your RM...

Dean Wells- I've been waiting here...

Inaudible

Dean Wells- I've been waiting here. Sorry.

Bob Hamilton- I didn't know what you were doing there.

Dean Wells- Everybody wants you to talk into the mic. You should be talking at the mic. Hi, I am Dean Wells fortunate or unfortunate, I don't know how you want to put it, that I am a tax payer in the land part and tax payer in the east side Turtle Lake Lodge part. I'd like to see a show of hands how many has that opportunity here. We've got two? Ok. My question to the board, to the east side board that has formed to separate is Why you want to separate? We haven't heard why.

Unknown- Good Question.

Dean Wells- Why? Why? What? No it wasn't clear. Why? Why do you want to be citizens of the council, mistering funds or there's gotta be a reason why and yea you can answer the question and I'll have another question.

Troy Johnson- Well there's a lot of reasons, there's not one particular reason, our community has grown to the point where this process was started, started back, went through a long time ago and it was started as to and was marginally unsuccessful by a number I think one percent or something, but IPGS at that point was gonna go a low end and if I had to look back and think about where the community was at that time I don't think that was the right time for the community to be on their own but, but let's fast forward ten, fifteen years to where we are now. We've been cooperating with Turtle Lake Lodge as one community the two councils have when we and are working on projects such as the lagoon and transfer stations, we work together as one council we don't work as IPGS and Turtle Lake Lodge, and Monte and Ed and Elgin and the individuals on your council and Jim and myself and Dennis, there never anything but a unified discussion about where we want to go with the community, what things we need so that's something that we, we...

Dean Wells- But aren't we better in numbers than divided?

Troy Johnson - We are and that's why we thought about joining the, the uh two hamlets together...

Dean Wells- No, what I mean is numbers.

Troy Johnson - Our priorities, I'll be honest, are different from the RMs priorities. They are not focused completely on resort issues. Um... our, our...

Dean Wells- They've looked after garbage, they've looked after the lagoon, the lagoon is not part of your submission. Right?

Troy Johnson – Yes it's addressed in the, like our two hamlets gave one hundred percent of the municipal portion to the lagoon project, which is fine, we need it and we use it, that makes sense. What they've dealt with in the community and the tax revenue is what they are right

now, it's the financial side if you go through the budget you'll see it's very easy to make the financial case it's not a matter of gee, are we gonna make it? We're gonna build huge reserves over the next number of years which is going to benefit the community as we can direct those things to develop our community as we see fit. We have stated in...

Dan Hicks- What do you two say about us committing to a vote?

Inaudible background discussion

Troy Johnson-... email we had conversations with all the communities around the lake including Sunset View and I can see further amalgamations to create s larger entity around the lake, is possible in the future. *Inaudible* drive the interests of the lake the development needs, or the development conditions be focused *inaudible* we don't take those sorts of decisions out of our hands, as they are now. Now saying the RM is *inaudible* is saying we want local control over representation and we have the people the people and resources to do those things so it's gonna be a financial advantage for us, but that's not the only reason, because the reason is we want to have a community at the lake and we want the laws the bylaws the everything focused on turtle lake, not the side lines a pain in the butt sometimes, according to council, which I could understand that that there's things they don't want to deal with.

Dean Wells-So you want city amenities vs country amenities.

Troy Johnson - We want our community needs focused on by our community.

Dean Wells- So I guess my next question is to hear if the vote goes to separate...

Unknown- use the mic.

Dean Wells- If the vote is to separate down the road in the future here five years down. Are they allowed to come back to the RM or do they stand alone on their own? Ride the ship or sink. Because as a tax payer here, if we weren't good enough to begin with, we wouldn't be good. I'll be the same guy five years from now that I am now, then. And carrying the big debt of them coming back in. I hope it will succeed, and if they do succeed the taxes will go up. We are very undertaxed here and how many people here want five or six times the tax you've got now? I heard lots of complaints when it went up two and a half times. If you want all this stuff, you guys you'll tax yourself out of business.

**Applause** 

Troy Johnson - I think if you look at and understand the budgets here....

Applause continues

Unknown- ...it's a business deal you wanna spend money you gotta make money.

Troy Johnson- Because it's a business, financially it's not different and you'll see. But look very carefully through the documents and analyze them...

Dean Wells- I looked at the numbers and the only way we can do what we're doing is raise the taxes.

Troy Johnson - But in any event we would anticipate, and I'm sure Dan can speak to this, we are neighbors to the RM now and we're gonna continue to be neighbors to the RM. We're gonna have roads that join together, we're gonna have issues, they're gonna be able to use our transfer station. We're gonna have that and we plan on being good neighbors to the RM, that's and I'm sure they feel the same way, what do you speak to that Dan? Do you think it's a good idea from the RM's perspective for us to separate or not? I'm not sure...

Dan Hicks- I have my own thoughts on that, but I'll keep them to myself. My preference is we do what the people want.

### Applause

Dan Hicks- With that in mind, there's only three of us here from the municipal council so I don't have a form but I have total agreement from the three of us is that we will have the vote.

### **Applause**

Dan Hicks- Now I should explain to you, the vote doesn't stop it if you vote against it, it's still up to the minister. But the results of the vote will accompany that submission to the minister so he can make that under his own review.

Unknown- Excuse me? Can I get back to Mr. Leinenweber's question as to when it was asked if it could be delayed until people are back from Arizona or whatever? I don't think he was able to finish his question. And I know...

Dan Hicks- Well I just spoke to Les and Linda there and we were wondering about the possibility about having these letters for you to sign made available as soon as possible before you go to back to your respective neighborhoods.

Les Clark- The other way to address that is by getting you the form, and if get it notarized as you are who you say you are that.

Bonnie Chambers- No no...

Les Clark- You can't do that??

Colleen Christopherson- But you can come in any time...

Bonnie Chambers – Ok. Can I speak to that? Ok? So the question is when can you register to vote? So it's a voters registration form that you can go get and fill out that's when you show your ID just like when you vote in the municipal elections otherwise, ok? Just like any provincial election or federal election you go in and show your id, you sign the voters' registration form. Then when the vote's going to happen, the ballots will be mailed to you, and you'll have a timeline to get it back to them, so yes because they already have the bylaw in place, the voters,

you as voters could go in and register, ok, and sign the voters registration and show your ID. Yes? Is it...

Bob Leinenweber- I understand what you're saying there. My concern is all the papers needs to go to every household for at least two or three weeks first. Three weeks from now we'll have us a vote.

Bonnie Chambers- Ok. So and that is where the voters registration, if you can fill out the voters registration form and then your ballot can be mailed to you. As for the application I, going to leave that to you.

Dan Hicks- Would it be satisfactory to you if we were to make them available to you on our municipal website?

Bob Leinenweber- Yes, ah well no let's not do that. My, my problem is there's a lot of people... I dare not say, the elderly people don't read that and... *inaudible* 

Les Clark- We could easily mail them out on Monday. It's just a case of printing them and mailing them to all the residents. Then you have to bring them back, you have to bring them in.

Linda Sandwick- No we're talking about this information...

Les Clark- All of this info? Ohh

Bonnie Chambers- We're talking about the application...

Bob Leinenweber- I want that all available to everyone. Not just here to glance through it or whatever.

Dan Hicks- How would it be if we will put them on the website and we also made it so if you requested it we would mail it to you?

Bob Leinenweber- I think that would be ok.

Dan Hicks- Ok.

Unknown- Don't you have to come to the RM to sign them anyway?

Dan Hicks- Yep.

Bob Leinenweber- No we are talking here... about the information package.

Les Clark- Two different things. Yeah I was confused too.

Bonnie Chambers - And correct me if I'm wrong here, in the second row there standing, you are?

Bob Leinenweber- Bob.

Bonnie Chambers- Bob, you're talking about the application itself, all those documents that are on the table there.

Bob Leinenweber- I'm talking about all those documents that are on the table. I want every voter or every household to have a copy...before they vote.

Bonnie Chambers- Ok and that's where we fix this then, and we fix this and we the RM will put it on the website and make hard copies available to people who want them. Ok? YOU SIR in the front there in the second row are talking about the voters registration form. That can be done at any time but you have to go to the RM office to sign that and show your ID. OK? They are two different things.

Bob Hamilton- Ok, so it would be important for that paper be available right away?

Dan Hicks-Yep.

Bonnie Chambers - That Voter's Registration form? That can be available on the website too, in fact....

Les Clark - The information...

Bonnie Chambers – The information will be available at the office.

Bob Hamilton- ... That is right away while they're still here cause...

Dan Hicks- That's the plan.

Bonnie Chambers - That's the plan already, yep, there. It's a legislated form of legislation. Ok? Bob Hamilton- Ok, thank you.

Dan Hicks- At the back.

Sherrilynn Phelps- I'm just going to come up the front because it makes it easier.

Dan Hicks- Ok.

Sherrilynn Phelps- My name is Sherrilynn Phelps, I'm from Indian Point and I honestly want to thank everyone who's done all the work for this because there's a lot of work that's gotten into it.

## **Applause**

Sherrilynn Phelps- I have to back up a bit because I have to explain a little bit of why I've come here and I think a lot of you are probably in the same boat as I am coming to this meeting. It was a year ago that I signed the petition to instigate the investigation of becoming a village. That is what I was told when I signed the petition a year ago and all of the sudden I got email saying you got to come because we're putting this application in and I'm like "WOOAAH" because I had seen nothing, nothing of these documents and I'm like "man they worked hard

because this is really really good, but I'm also a person that needs to understand what this means, what are the advantages? What are the disadvantages? What are the risks? What's the long term? What's the future? Where are we going with this? To be informed to make the decision. We've been talking about voting, which I think is a great thing that we are going to need to do eventually, but I really feel that we need to understand what's in the package. And I came here today thinking we were going to get a presentation on what in that package so that we could have a question and answer on what does that mean? You know, it's one thing to read a document but it's another thing to understand it from a person's perspective who wrote the document and has written the application. So what I'm requesting I guess going forward before I get to the vote thing, because we seem to be hung up on that we're gonna vote. I think we all need a chance, and I agree with this the people that brought this up, that we need to have the documents, we need a chance to understand them, but then we also need another meeting like this where the developers of the document that put the information together in the application can answer the questions about the document, there's going to be a ton of information, and there's gonna be questions that maybe haven't been considered in the application, and I think we still need another meeting like this before we get to a vote because if you ask for a vote from just a paper document a lot of people are gonna be still a little reserved and very kind of anti-change and until you have a chance to have that discussion and hear other people's thoughts and opinions and just get those those questions answered, after you have a legal document, I think we're going to have to take kind of a step back and and potential, excuse me, I get a little worked up, I think there's potential for another meeting like this or somehow that we could have a question and answer, there's a lot of people here who aren't from Glaslyn area and anywhere near here and there is technology available where we can do things through webinars, through conference calls, through anything just to allow an opportunity to hear why it's been done, what are the advantages, what are the risks, what are the disadvantages of it too? I think we all need to be informed and should before because this is going to affect us for a very long time, and affect a lot of families for decades and generations coming forward. So, sorry guys for my long kind of ramble there but, thank you.

#### **Applause**

Stuart Bruce- I don't want to dominate here. I've been up here too many times already sorry, but I simply wanted to say we don't have the ability to legally make a motion here, but I'd like to make a motion anyway that delay any vote for just six months well define how many months you want maybe that's too long or maybe that's too short. I don't know but I just don't feel like we're prepared. And thank you to Mrs. Phelps, was it? For eloquently providing a very good understanding for reasons, to do that.

Dan Hicks- I'm not real sure if in six months from now, would be any more people would be in favor or opposed than there probably is today.

Shannon Dekteroff- Yep that's right.

Stuart Bruce- It gives us time to understand what is...

Dan Hicks- It still is.... Yeah, yeah I understand anyway we've been negotiating an, a agreement with the proposed RV for quite a while, negotiations finally broke down. At that point we hired a mediator and there was an agreement made, it was signed yesterday and at agenda item here number six says, we have an explanation of the agreement and a reading of it. I'm going to have Linda read it for you, so you can hear it.

Bonnie Chambers- inaudible... before we move on? Do you have a question sir?

Linda Sandwick- Before we move on.

Jim Lawrence -Yes I did.

Dan Hicks- Come on up here.

Jim Lawrence- My name is Jim Lawrence, like Mr. Wells I'm a tax payer at the lake and a taxpayer in the RM and when the petition was read, on the back of it, Linda said the reasons on it for separating would be bylaws and development plans and stuff like that, now my question is, for the government people, why can't there be specific bylaws planning agreements, all this kind of thing for the hamlets alone, without affecting the RM? Because I think that's kind of part of the reason we don't have them, if they are implemented at the lake, they have to be implemented across the whole RM.

Colleen Christopherson – So actually that statement is incorrect, your RM can have a bylaw that specifies the different area and a different law within that area if they choose, but it is the RM council that lets, makes those bylaws that you have those differences in the OH's or in their zoning bylaw or in their official community plan that would separate out those OH bylaws. We might be able to speak to that whether it is or not, but considering that could happen.

Jim Lawrence- Well from my understanding those other guys from the petition that was read, that those are the reasons why we need to become a village so that we could control ourselves. What would be wrong with putting one or two members, one or two people from the hamlets on the RM board? I'm told such things can be worked out. That to me would solve the whole problem.

Troy Johnson- Well that there's still the financial aspect of it and stuff...

Linda Sandwick- Well, the Municipality does have an OCP, an Official Community Plan and a Zoning Bylaw was dually processed in 2006 and Jim Glasrud, and at that time, Councillor Willie Thompson were very instrumental in helping us draft the that the requirements apply to the hamlets and to the large acre residential zones and the area around it. They do have their own set of guidelines, their own committed uses, their own type of zoning principles and it follows the legislation that they are allowed to have but they are specific to the hamlets and the areas the land around the lake.

Colleen Christopherson- I'll just add to that, you were speaking about having different representation at the time, council table. And that's another type of restructuring here, restructuring division boundaries, because a RURAL Municipality it has divisions that have one representative each, and certainly the RM can consider at any time to put forward a request to the minister to change those division boundaries, so that is another option.

Jim Lawrence- Well my opinion is, my opinion is, less government.

Applause

Jim Lawrence- What we need is some specific bylaws and what not to pertain to the lake.

**Applause** 

Dan Hicks-Inaudible

Linda Sandwick- Just getting back to the agenda, item here, what's it called here? The explanation of the agreement and reading of it. When the petition was submitted to council, from councils perspective they recognized that it did not address the requirement that this proposed new village has, it did not have a transfer station, and what boundaries that are shown on that petition what was basically doing was basically doing was leaving the Municipality at large responsible for probably, I can't remember how many miles, probably eight miles of road, seven and a half miles of road which we would be collecting no tax revenue on, and so that was the issue the Municipality had. So we went into negotiation with representatives of the committee members of the resort village and it...there was a lot of work involved in it, and we did call have a mediator come in to help us with that process and it was finally achieved and that's what I'll read to you now, because this should also be part of that information that you're going to want in making your decision. It isn't just the schedules sitting on that table. This document will be part of the information you will have to become familiar with. And so what this is...

Troy Johnson- It's in number nine.

Linda Sandwick- Is it? Ok. It is there. What it is, is the restructuring agreement in principle in the event the incorporation of the East Side Resort Village receives ministerial approval. It's an agreement between the hamlet of Turtle Lake Lodge and organized hamlet of Indian Point Golden Sands, and the Rural Municipality of Parkdale No. 498. In the opening statement it says:

The exact agreement as was negotiated and signed by the representatives of all parties was read aloud to the audience

Linda Sandwick- So that would become part of that information that you would want to look at in order for you to make a knowledgeable decision on this matter.

Shannon Dekteroff- Hi. It's Shannon Dekteroff from Indian Point. I just want to mention a couple of things just reiterating what I'm hearing the fact that this is all *inaudible* to us and I

think, I think most people don't want to get involved, they just want things to run because we come here to boat, we come here with our kids, we want things to go right. We have a board that has worked phenomenally hard, beyond any expectations of any board should have to, and it's out of the goodness of their heart and it's out of their want for a better community. I want to point out something that mistakenly to me should be painfully obvious and I apologize for thinking that. If we could work with the RM, we would love to, we would love to. I can appreciate people needing the information and time to digest it but this is a process that started years ago. I can appreciate numbers of people just knew as of last night or this morning. I can appreciate all of that. This is not a new topic, these guys have been working for years trying to try to put out information to us. Time to digest it is, is fair absolutely. But this is not new, to put off six months, which only really means next spring is a little much to ask. Because this is not new information. So I will just say this, If we could work with this RM we been trying to, and Linda pointed out there are different stipulations for resort villages...laughs... ok well you try it, because we've been trying for years, to do things that the community wants, to do things that the council wants. We would love to work with this RM. So let's get the information that we need and let's put it to a vote, but I don't think we need six months or a year. We all are pretty aware of what's going on and the papers will tell you. Have, have all the time you need to digest it, we would love none of this to be happening, we would love to work with our RM.

## **Applause**

Les Clark- So today. We have received some letters and I wanted you to just be aware of them. The first one is the Schwings... Attached letter read aloud

Les Clark- The next one is from Heather Beatch... Attached letter read aloud

Les Clark- Um. This one is from Wendy Mones... Attached letter read aloud

Les Clark- Um. This one is from Roy Helman... Attached letter read aloud

Les Clark- Um. Clayton Kennedy... Attached letter read aloud

Les Clark- Um. The next one is from Jaimie and Barbara McIntosh... Attached letter read aloud

Les Clark- This one is from Ted Curruthers. Susan Carruthers and I'd read this but it's exactly the same.

Shannon Dekteroff- Good.

Les Clark- Ryan Krebbs... Attached letter read aloud

Les Clark- and he has a number of things issued reads list. Um. Mr. Knauft... Attached letter read aloud

Stuart Bruce- How long are you going to read?

Shannon Dekteroff- Stop.

Les Clark- And that's it.

Unknown- Good. Thank you.

**Applause** 

Les Clark- And I tried to be as quick as I could. While I'm up here though I do have something that I would like to say, mostly because I sit there, but I'm also a resident at Turtle Lake Lodge and I'm standing here now as that resident. Should we be a village, honestly, I have no idea. When the process was started it the petition was brought to me to sign, I asked for more information. I was told that the petition was a stepping stone and was required in order to get the information. I didn't sign it. I think what bothered me from the very start was census Canada. In order to be a resort village, we needed one hundred residents and Indian Point Golden Sands sent out a letter to their residents saying to make sure that they you know if they planned on moving to the lake show that that is their permanent residence. Turtle Lake Lodge wasn't separated out but the hamlet board there sent the letter and they included the one girl that never lived there, they included citizen of the year from Saskatoon. I think what bothered me the most was on any, for six months out of the year we have maybe fifty to sixty residents. That's like twenty five to thirty couples that live there, that's it. And I don't know if becoming a village is the right things to do, because I don't know who is going to be there, who is going to step up out of these fifty people and look after this. The other thing is the delay of information and as a resident you guys, I'm just as interested as you guys so it was not getting that information that really bothered me, so when it came in late yesterday, like I was scrambling last night to try to get through it. The committee itself to form an RV so we have AGMs and we each had two and at no time did they say ok you guys we are forming this committee, who wants to step up? They appointed, they can do that, but we weren't told. And it is, it is hard that they don't want to include anyone else. You know, it's the secrecy the information that they've held so close to their vest, we have a lot of lot owners saying that I can't wait for this to be a village, this has been said to me five or six times, yeah I can have a camper on my lot, I don't ever have to build. You know I look at what's happening at Turtle Lake Lodge right now, adjacent to playground, we have a campground. It's a mess. You know I was personally promised, oh it's going to be million dollar cabins, and well yeah we don't have any. So in finding out and reading through this information you know that they've made some decisions and are going to rent the cabin from Porters for, for twelve thousand dollars. Darcy Olson, who I, by the way Darcy I really like you, I like your family, you're going to be the administrator, who has an RV on their lot, he doesn't have a cabin. The fire department charges that they've put down... you know, we, we wanted to be proactive and so we work towards that in December we met with the fire department. Ok, so what's it going to take? They said fifteen thousand dollar retainer, but as you see on the budget its ten thousand. So I'd hate to think that it's your cabin burning down while their negotiating, and you have to appreciate we are the closest, the closest fire department. I have an email here that I've been asked not to disclose the name and

it says "I am not in favor of Golden Sands leaving the RM of Parkdale in my opinion the persons leading this charge are doing so solely for their personal gain, I like the current status and am a content tax payer." So as a final note I tried to put together an email with everybody's email address and I know I fell short. I really did. The RM does not have all your email addresses and I urge you to please give them a shout. But these letters of opposition must be in prior to August 23<sup>rd</sup> and these letters are going to be held in the utmost confidence, you will not have to justify your opinion...

## Laughter

Les Clark- They will simply be forwarded directly to the minister. If you do not submit a letter, it is assumed you are in favor of forming this. And at this time I'm not in favor, I just don't know if it's in my best interest. Thanks

## **Applause**

Troy Johnson- Just a couple of comments coming from what Les said. As was said earlier, we've, I've been on the council for ten, for over ten years now and we do try real hard to work with the RM and we've had some success and we've had some challenges but at the end of the day we're big enough to look after ourselves at this point and we're not gonna just totally burn bylaws and it's, it's going to be bylaws by you folks, for us. It's, its, there's nothing imposed in a, in a municipal government. You, you have a complete say. You have the ability to run. You have the ability to talk to you, your council at a very local level so bylaws are going to fit properly at the lake, that's one of the advantages we're gonna have. As far as the delay for this information that, that really is unfortunate but that's as Les and Dan would, would know, we met many times trying to get a fair agreement and, and we ended up having to hire, and the RM wouldn't contribute, we would have to pay for the entire cost of the mediator, which we agreed to, we said fine, we need, we need to move this forward. So we, we tried to move it along but unfortunately we couldn't finalize the budgets until we understood completely what was gonna happen with the lagoon, the road, the maintenance, all that is addressed. If not, there's no question that you do need time to get that information, because it is all there. We, we've, we've come to the point as the committee where we absolutely can look after ourselves. Um, also I forgot about the fire agreement. No we're not just signing off on every little thing the RM gives us. If we think there's a better value and fit somewhere else, we, we have to look after the tax dollars as stewards, no we are not going to write a blank cheque for this that and the other, we've discussed every expense, every line and, and analyzed it and figured out what we would do to make it better, is this, is this the right number, once we got through it, we, we brought in a municipal consultant who looked at it, we had, we had a chartered accountant go through it. This isn't just stuff we pulled out of the sky. If you look at the financial statements, go ahead. I ask you go to Kivimaa Moonlight Bay, there's been a operating village for a number of years, the size of IPGS, not just a combined community not just like IPGS and have a look at their reserves, have a look at their balance sheet, and I think you'd be impressed. The viability is very easy. The ability of people to stand up, we've had lots of people willing to stand up, very

good people, all the people on the council now have been fantastic to work with, I've worked with a lot of other people over the years that have let their name stand and I know there's people that will let their name stand in the future to help out with the community that won't, it's happening now on the council on the two, two hamlets right now I mean there always has been full council on the two councils has been in the last ten years, so that's not a problem. We will have a fire agreement with a first class fire departments and it will be a fair retainer.

## **Applause**

Dan Hicks- ... talk about the fire agreement myself I guess before we move on. When we were requested for a number to provide for a fire agreement, the Municipality is partnered with Village of Glaslyn and we decided to hold a meeting with the Village of Glaslyn, ourselves and the fire department. It was the Village of Glaslyn and the fire department that came up with the fifteen thousand dollars number. We came to the meeting with no number in mind but they were very firm on it so we had the, to think it over and felt well that must be what they have to have from you. I don't know, I hear Troy keep saying well we'll get an agreement, we've been to other places already. I want to know what you guys think knowing that when you dial 911 it will be our fire department that comes, and you've put your money somewhere else. That seems to me a situation I don't want to be in. Anyway, moving on from that, number nine on the agenda is the last thing and I'm going to open up the floor to the mic for any other comment that anybody else feels that they have something that they want to say. And at the end of that I guess we are going to adjourn. I guess before I move on any further, I think that I have a commitment from everybody that we are going to have a vote as soon as possible. We will just try to make sure you have an opportunity to review all the information before you have to vote. That's about the best I can do. Anybody else that would like to come up and answer and questions.

Darcy Olson- I have. Leslie indicated that I would be the administrator of the new resort village, that is incorrect.

Les Clark- What?

Darcy Olson- I am a retired administrator and I intend to remain a retired administrator.

## Laughter

Darcy Olson- I told them that I would be available for mentoring and contract services on a project by project basis and that's the extent of it.

Troy Johnson- That information is actually, what Darcy just said, is in the schedules of information.

Darcy Olson- I just wanted to let everybody know that I am not being the resort village administrator.

Linda Sandwick- ... their schedules say that he is going to be their administrator.

Les Clark- that's what I though it said... but that's ok Darcy I still like you.

Laughter

Dan Hicks-I'd Like to...inaudible... go ahead.

Beth Kembel- My name is Beth Kembel, and just for the record I would like to propose this motions so that it's in the minutes and we all know it's there. So my motion is, can you hear me? Am I interrupting...?

"that the RM delay the submission of application for the east side resort village and further, that all information regarding the resort village creation be provided to each ratepayer of Indian Point Golden Sands and Turtle Lake Lodge and further, that the RM conduct a vote with regard to the support or opposition to the creation of the resort village."

Beth Kembel- I'll shut up I guess.

Ed Tomanek-Yeah please do.

Beth Kembel- inaudible... vote.

Ed Tomanek-Les I'd want to...

Dan Hicks- Oh just a second, she would like somebody to second her motion.

Unknown-Yes I'll second it.

Dan Hicks- And a show of hands, in Favor?

Ed Tomanek- Les, I will point I can send you a list of the people of the last census and judge Arnott was not on the list. And now have forty two residents.

Les Clark- I just I need to clarify something here and I got it by text. The letters that I wrote er that I read out, I was asked to read them out to become part of this meeting. To become part of this meeting. So no they weren't sent in confidence so...

#### **Applause**

Dan Hicks- Ok, I guess before we...come on up if you want to talk... I was just going to say that I'm going to try my level best to make sure that these forms are available at the office Monday and Tuesday for you to sign and request a ballot be...

Ken Suchan-Inaudible ...Golden Sands. I'm not used to standing up here. We've heard a lot of negative letters written, or letters in opposition I should say, not negative. Do we require or should we be encouraging people who are in favor to write letters in favor before the 23<sup>rd</sup>? So if anybody's in favor of it, I mean we've heard all the negative parts, send your letters in if you're in favor?

Les Clark- Sure. Absolutely

Bonnie Chambers- Inqudible

**Applause** 

Dan Hicks- So I guess that brings our meeting to a conclusion. Oh-one more?

Unknown- I just have one question with the motion that we had, there that seemed to have a majority of people putting their hands up.

Dan Hicks-I don't know, that looked like fifty fifty.

Unknown- Well, yeah, so I guess the only thing I would say on there is when we talked about the best efforts and intent to do something, there's one element I didn't hear, any of that, and that was the time. I heard times for six months down to three months. I would say as soon as possible, preferably in 2018 that we have that vote and we have that information at least a month to six weeks ahead of that vote, if that's physically possible. Now looking at the lot of information and what people are saying they need time to digest it so to provide that into perspective for the RM council for their consideration cause their ultimately the people that are going to run the referendum.

Dan Hicks- What was your name?

Arnie Gaudin- My name is Arnie Gaudin from Golden Sands. Thank you.

Dan Hicks- Ok. Ok. That's it.

Unknown- Thank you.

**Applause** 

Unrelated conversation between Les Clark and Stuart Bruce prior to recorder being shut off.

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