Minutes of Taylor Beach Hamlet Board Meeting April 25, 2015

Present Jan Spicer Tony Coppola, Ron Palmer

Agenda – review and approve 2015 budget.

- 1. 2014 Budget Discussion
 - Budget presented at AGM May 2014 had a Municipal Mill Rate of 2.5 and Hamlet Special Assessment of 1.5. Following the discussion at AGM and recommendation to accumulate funds for paring and flood mitigation projects, 1 Mil was moved from Municipal to Hamlet Special Assessment. Therefore Municipal Mill Rate 1.5, Hamlet Assessment of 2.5.
 - 2014 Budget revenues shown are higher than presented at AGM. This is due to \$11,320 of EFDRP provincial funds for sandbagging being shown in our budget. The bulls were paid by the RM and Hamlet expenses were matched to this.
 - Expenses show Budget of \$75,280 and Actual \$44,269. \$29,000 of this is due to expenses for the special levy being listed as a 2014 expense yet intent is to accumulate that for 2015 projects.
- 2. 2015 Budget Discussion
 - Assessed value is \$22,737,900. Current view Municipal Mill Rate of 2.0 and Hamlet Special Assessment of 2.0 for total \$81,087 as Municipal Taxes. Revenue share grant is \$4,980 and Gas Tax is \$1,577 for a total revenue of \$87,644.
 - Discussed differences in the 2014 Budget Expenses shown by Marcy and those presented at AGM in May 2014. Contracted project work at \$42,000 not correct, most of these funds were to go to reserve account to accumulate e for paving and flood protection work in 2015.
 - Project work for 2015 to include paving of Lakeview Crescent up to Taylor Street and culvert work at Margaret Street. Shore line plans and permits for Taylor Street are still outstanding.

- Marcy has expressed concerns with Ron re Hamlet using Special Assessment to reduce portion of tax revenue that flows to the RM. Sd RM council would not approve special levy so have to work with regular levy. Ron spoke to Colleen Christopherson who is Municipal Advisor. Hamlet Board needs to pass its budget as a resolution and then forward to RM. They can reject it but it would not be appropriate to do so. Hamlet Board should ask RM to do things through formal resolutions; if Hamlet has the money in their budget, RM is compelled to do it.
- Agreed to proceed with Municipal Levy of 2.0 and Special Assessment of levy of 2.0 subject to Ron and Tony's meeting with Harry and Marcy Tuesday April 28, 2015 to address their concerns on the Special Levy.