



Annual General Meeting (AGM)

MINUTES

May 29, 2025

2:00 pm

Vermilion Valley Lodge Recreation Multipurpose Room

Attending: See attached sign in sheet

Attending Board Members: Stacey Hryciuk, Josh Rayment, Kim Thompson, Robert Snow, Barbara Sjoquist, Marcel Berard

Absent Board Member: Marty Baker

VDHF: Brittany Bratrud, Sasha Savic, Tiana Kowalchuk, Tabitha Dykstra, Ryan Leahy, Shirley Nelson, Callie MacDonald, Jessica Vevang, Jolie Dommett, Carrie Krips - Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

Stacey Hryciuk called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Felix Ostropolski to accept the agenda as presented.
CARRIED.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 AGM meeting minutes May 25th, 2023

Moved by Betty Deschambault to accept the minutes as presented.
CARRIED.

3.2 AGM meeting minutes May 30th, 2024

Josh Rayment was not in attendance. Moved by Mary Convey to accept the amended minutes as presented.
CARRIED.

4. Introduction of VDHF Board of Directors

Stacey introduced The VDHF Board. Sasha Savic, Chief Financial Officer. Brittany Bratrud, Chief Administrative Officer. Josh Rayment, Town of Vermilion Rep. Kim Thompson, Public Member. Rob Snow, Town of Vermilion Rep and Vice Chair. Stacey Hryciuk, Board Chair and County of Vermilion River Rep. Barb Sjoquist, Public Member for Wainwright / Edgerton. Marcel Berard, Public Member.

Auditors, Michael Freeman and Judy Obrevo from MNP.

5. Old Business

5.1 DSL4 Update / contract extension

Stacey advised in November 2024, in partnership with the Province, we opened beds for Level 4 Care. Spaces filled up quickly. The contract has now been extended as temporary level 4. We are considered temporary status as we don't meet all of level care standards. We will always be considered temporary. We do have the quality of care that is needed. Brittany added that she has attended meetings with AHS and they are very satisfied with the level of care we are providing. Satisfaction surveys have gone out to residents, and they also are very happy with the level of care.

Stacey asked if there were any questions from the floor – None.

6. New Business

6.1 Financial Overview / Auditor report presented by MNP

Michael introduced himself, he is a partner with MNP in Lloydminster. Judy is a manager. Michael thanked us for having them out and appointing them. The Audit has been submitted. We received an "unqualified opinion" which is very good. No concerns.

Motion by Judy Sivam to accept the Auditors Report as presented. CRD.

6.2 CAO Report

Brittany reported she is happy and honoured to give her first AGM CAO report. We support 8 different communities and are a much larger footprint than just Vermilion. We manage the Lodge, DSL 3 & 4, seniors self-contained apartments, seniors cottages and an affordable housing program. We added DSL4 which is very exciting to have 3 levels of care. We were successful in receiving 2 grants. One to update and modernize our website. The other for the OBIE projector machine for recreation. Last year we partnered with FOCUS for the Street Jamboree. We have completed maintenance requests. We are continuing to review the finances. Quality of care is our priority. We are moving forward with the accreditation process, and it's a work in progress. We will continue to strengthen relationships with community members and organizations, as well as work closely with all levels of Government. We would like to launch 1 fundraising initiative. Brittany thanked Sasha for his incredible support. He is very diligent. Also thanked all management and staff and thanks to the Board for their support and guidance. Brittany finished by thanking the residents.

6.3 Comments from Board

Each board member took the opportunity to share a few words.

Josh - grateful and excited to be a part of the board.

Kim - appreciates the years she has had on the board.

Rob - privileged and thanked the residents for being here and supporting us.

Stacey - thanked the residents for being so great and thanked the staff for being so compassionate towards the residents. It's a privilege to serve with this board and was excited to come to the AGM as it's been very optimistic.

Barb - it's been a great experience and it's a great board with lots of expertise.

Marcel - proud of what he sees around Vermilion. People are orientated and the seniors deserve this place.

6.4 Year ahead

Stacey advised we will be working on completing the strategic plan. We are thoroughly reviewing the operations side, and how to save costs without affecting services here. The County and Town of Vermilion help cover the deficit of \$925,000. The organization needs help and it's a huge partnership with

municipalities. We will be working harder on other community partnerships as it's about the people. We are non-profit and we want to try to build relationships, it's not just about money.

7. Comments from the residents or public

Helen Ziomek – I have been here for 1 year and love it and am happy. We take good care of her and her boys.

Mary Beattie – I moved here in August. Best move I have ever made in my life. Staff could not be better.

Lil Wilson – I have been here 4 years and appreciate the change that has come over. It is working well with Brittany as CAO.

Judy Sivam – I have been here over 5 years. We have the best meals. Brittany and staff have done so much and make us happy. All departments do amazing and we are fortunate to be here.

Brittany thanked the residents for their incredibly kind words. She is honoured and thrilled to work here and there are many positives to come in the future.

Stacey thanked the residents and everything that was said is exactly what we desire and work for.

8. Adjournment

2:30 pm by Stacey

Stacey Hyrciuk, Board Chair

Brittany Bratrud, Chief Administrative Officer