



# Olds Rural Crime Watch Association

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## MINUTES - MEETING – Thursday – January 7, 2015 7:30 p.m. Mountain View County Council Chambers

PRESENT: Val Dennis, Dave Sharek, Kevin Heppler, Grant Bird, Wally Gunderson, Bonny Bellamy, Rod Holiday, Colin Holowenko, Bob & Shirley Gamble, Doug Collie, Bonita & Fred Bay, Marie Sheets, Lynn Reid, Glenn Bishell, Alissa Lloyd, John & Sharon Fulton, Cam Reid, Alec Macklin, Douglas McCullough, Lyle Kurver, Andrew McKeen, Judy Schlichenmayer

INTRODUCTIONS: New Liaison officers; Lyle Kurver - OLDS, Andrew McKeen - DIDSBURY

Call to Order - Dave Sharek

1. Adoption / Changes to the Agenda
2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (December 4, 2014) MOTION: JUDY / FRED CARRIED.
3. Business Arising from Previous Meetings
  - 4.1 Insurance for Computer System – still playing telephone tag.
  - 4.2 Student Leadership – 800 give away for goodie bags? 800 ordered @ \$5.69
  - 4.3 RCW Fundraiser Auction of RCMP seized property. Still organizing a date – will probably put in April 16 – Machinery Auction – always a good crowd. Can move stuff over beginning of March – Auction Mart will store.
  - 4.4 PRCWA – AGM – FEB 6 & 7, 2015 @ ARDROSSAN Rec Center.
5. REPORTS:
  - 5.1 Fish & Wildlife (Adam Mirus) N/A
  - 5.2 RCMP-Olds (Lyle Kurver) New liaison – Brendan has transferred. Compressor Station/Plant hit Trident Exploration. Tools & Miscellaneous supplies taken. Another site was hit last night. A number of rural mail boxes at 7 sites have also been hit. Seem to be spreading eastward. Staff numbers: 11 officers + Staff/Sgt & 2 Corporals. 2 transfers – Brendan & Doug Cushion; 1 maternity leave; new officer coming in from High Prairie.
  - 5.3 RCMP -Sundre (Val Dennis) Quad from Burnt Stick Lake B & E found. Lots of personal items being taken from residences including groceries and clothing. Copper wire theft last night @ Shell plant. RCMP encourage the public to report anything they see ANYTIME you see suspicious / unusual activity especially at well sites. New member from depot: Barry Kelly. St. Letchen transferred to Manitoba. Lots of back country patrols. A number of thefts and B & E's at cabins up at this time.
  - 5.4 RCMP – Didsbury (Andrew McKeane) new liaison. Didsbury 2<sup>nd</sup> posting – been here 1 year. Number of B & E's and thefts from rural properties. 2 mail box sites also hit. Didsbury has recovered a bunch of stolen equipment and trying to find owners, so if you are missing stuff, contact the Detachment office.

- 5.5 Mountain View County (Kevin Heppler / Al Kemmere) Al e-mailed regrets he couldn't attend but keep up the good work! Kevin reported oil activity down and traffic slowing down on back roads.
- 5.6 SECRETARY'S REPORT: Prov RCW AGM coming up in Feb; our AGM - March. Working on 2015 Crime Prevention Family Trade Show. Working with CATV1-RDTV.ca on crime reports for news. Working on Crime Prevention Week activities. Working on Auction. Media reporting a bunch of saddles recovered – if you had one stolen check with K-Division on claiming.

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE – INFORMATION ON RECENT SCAMS & DIDSBURY RCMP WEEKLY REPORTS POSTED.**

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- 5.7 PRESIDENT'S REPORT Chinook Edge School Bus Shop broke into before Christmas – truck / diesel / tools stolen. Truck recovered in SW Calgary. Need to keep up RCW culture to get to know and look after your neighbors. Phone in all suspicious activity.
- 5.8 RED DEER COUNTY REPORT: (Alissa Lloyd) Lots of traffic control but otherwise quiet. Counsel has approved an additional position. Mail boxes also being hit in Red Deer County and vehicle thefts are wide spread around Christmas.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- 6.1 AGM – Olds Legion??? Eagle Hill? **Will be MARCH 11, 2015 @ 6 PM starting with supper. Judy will arrange venue.**

7. Financial Report

- 7.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - balance@ Dec 31, 2014  
Chequing balance -\$ 14,487.79? Casino balance - \$ 2,262.60

**MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT:** Judy / \_\_\_\_\_

7.2 Outstanding Bills:

Meeting Expenses; PROV AGM exp; Insurance

**MOTION TO PAY BILLS:** Douglas / Fred CARRIED.

7.3 CORRESPONDENCE FOR DISCUSSION ONLY.

Three Hills Capital – Nov 26/14. Restorative Justice: A community based approach to crime management

8. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS:

Media are reporting that delivery personnel are being interviewed as many parcels delivered are being stolen before the recipients return home to pick them up.

False alarms continue to be a problem. **HINT: replace batteries regularly as smoke detectors.** Keep keyholder information updated and current. If alarm goes off – cancel ASAP.

Driveway RCW signs are a deterrent and alarms, motion lights and trail cameras are a very good investment; especially with blind driveways. Trail cameras can send messages back to phones/computer. Dead iPhones can be turned into security cameras. Red Deer County is looking at a bylaw to fine for them. Members are interested in getting more information on security – surveillance equipment and options.

West of Carstairs – area is very active. Legal Marijuana facility questioned. Number of B & E's surrounding but they are not in operation yet.

Stealing mail to get credit card info; driver's license not that useful for ID fraud as cc info. Pick up mail regularly. Thefts occurring in daylight. If you see someone that doesn't belong – get info: description person-vehicle – picture on phone if possible – and report. Check out software to record serial numbers of your property. Have someone check on your property if away. Don't post to Facebook till you return!

We need to do a better job of talking to and getting to know our neighbors. If you want a good neighbor – start with being one.

If an area feels they need to start patrolling again, this can be done. Couple of signs for vehicles at office.

10. NEXT MEETING WILL BE AGM – MARCH 11, 2015 – 6 pm

11. MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.