



Olds Rural Crime Watch Association

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MINUTES - MEETING – Wednesday JANUARY 30, 2019 7:30 p.m. **MVC Council Chambers**

PRESENT: S/Sgt MacDonald, Cst. Poirier, Clifford Scott, Shawn Murphy, Jason Leach, John Leussinik, Cpl. Organ, Ross Holmes, Bob & Shirley Gamble, Richard & Shirley Ross, Randy McNeil, Dale Edwards, Doug & Deb Skeels, Leon & Nancy Graham, Mary Hildebrandt, Kathy & Mike Banick, Dave Clarke, Gerald & Shelley Ingeveld, Bonnie Bay, Marie Sheets, Shirley Ross, Darlene Kasha, Bruce Smith, Bryan Kasha, Duncan Milne, Ian Harvie, Frank McNeely, Clem Lapointe

INTRODUCTIONS Welcome - **INTRODUCTION:** Sgt.ACHTYMICHUK. Sundre RCMP

Call to Order - [Gerald Ingeveld](#)

1. Agenda Adopted
2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (November 28, 2018) **MOTION:** Judy / Nancy Graham **CARRIED.**

PRESENTATION: WHAT TO LOOK FOR (HOW TO BE A GOOD WITNESS) Cst Don Poirier & Sgt.ACHTYMICHUK. Sundre RCMP You know your neighborhood so when you see something out of place or a stranger hanging around call the RCMP complaint line 403-556-3323 and report it. If possible TAKE PICTURE OR get **vehicle description:** license / make / color / extended cab? Fancy rims? Custom lift kit? Decals? **PEOPLE DESC:** height / hair color / tattoos / accent / clothes / scars / etc. NOTE Time of Day. Know your blue sign number. Have it written down somewhere near your phone for others . Dash cam / trail cam pictures are very helpful. Front plates would be SO GOOD!!!!

RECOMMENDED: There was discussion on forwarding a letter to the county to recommend they take a request forward to the RMA to re-instate the front license plate on vehicles for safety and crime reduction. Letter to be forwarded to Jeff Holmes & cc Duncan. Motion : Clifford / Dick **CARRIED.**

Watch your own vehicles and make sure YOUR license plate is on it and not swapped for stolen one. DON'T approach suspects. Alarms – dogs and lighting is beneficial.

PRESENTATION: GPS TRACKING DEVICES FOR VEHICLES – TABLED.

3. Business Arising from Previous Meetings
 - 3.1 **On-going need for volunteers for Zone / Range Representatives** suggested list on website. Zones are assigned by Range Roads.
 - 3.2 **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS** – Reminder to get renewals in – and talk to your neighbors. This is on-going!! Forms are on the website. There was considerable discussion on fees with upcoming membership drive. Further discussion at AGM with budget numbers.
 - 3.3 **RCW GOALS FOR 2019 REPORT** - Table to next meeting (after AGM)
 - 3.4 **COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING GARAGE SALE: Saturday, February 9 from 10 – 4. Thank you to ALL who came out and volunteered. Was very successful & 7 new memberships.**

4. REPORTS:

- 4.1 Fish & Wildlife (Adam Mirus / Darren McInnis) N/A
- 4.2 RCMP-Olds (S/Sgt. Jim MacDonald) stats are on our website. Property Crime is down but frauds are up. . Encourage reporting any thefts even if not much value. Local Crime Reduction strategies, increased number of security systems, increased reporting of crimes all helping. Still need to remain diligent though. Facebook posts are unreliable . Olds RCW website and Facebook page only posts info sent from K-Division media but still check dates of postings. Shares sometimes mis-represent dates of incidents.
- 4.3 RCMP -Sundre (Cst. Don Poirier) Stats for Sundre area similar to Olds. Clearwater County stats up slightly but rest are down. Rural members with COP training (it's free – contact Sundre or Olds groups) – are patrolling in the Sundre area. OLDS COP – next meeting Feb 6 at 6:30 Olds Fire Hall. SUNDRE COP – next meeting – Feb 14 – 7 pm – Sundre Town Office. PROV COP works closely with PROV RCW.
- 4.4 RCMP – Didsbury (Cpl Regus Organ) Similar to Olds & Sundre. Please keep reporting suspicious activity and keep safe.
- 4.5 Mountain View County (Kevin Heppler / Duncan Milne) Not much more to report.
- 4.6 RED DEER COUNTY REPORT: (Officer S. Poburan) N/A
- 4.7 PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Active with Prov RCW Association. New President – over 50 associations now members and new ones forming. 29 of the 52 associations are in our zone. Wheat Growers and Read Data associations promoting RCW initiatives. Prov Association looking how to increase membership value.
- 4.8 SECRETARY’S REPORT: Continue to update website with relevant RCMP news releases. Please visit often. Working on crime prevention education tips on radio / videos / paper. Attending Prov AGM – Feb 1 & 2 in Nisku. Getting ready for fundraising garage sale. AGM planning upcoming. Applied for Prov Farmers’ Advocate grant. Updated info for community calendars – Olds / Didsbury.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE – INFORMATION ON RECENT RCMP RELEASES WITH PICTURES. RCMP stats reports are posted.

www.oldsruralcrimewatch.ca

5. Financial Report –

- 5.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - balance@ Dec 31, 2018
Chequing balance -\$ 5,578.97 Casino balance - \$ 2,214.54
Audit in progress.

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT: Duncan / Jason CARRIED.

- 5.2 Outstanding Bills: Meeting & Monthly Admin & Website expenses.
MOTION TO PAY BILLS: Bob Gamble / Bonnie Bay CARRIED.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- 6.1 **AGM – MARCH 27, 2019** – 6:00 PM with supper. LOCATION: TBD on availability and cost. **SPEAKER** – arrangements in progress **SILENT**

AUCTION: Volunteers to pick up donations. – Jason / Judy MOTION TO APPROVE MEALS & RENT: Dale / Jason CARRIED.

6.2 **CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS- Ideas?**

6.3 **FUNDRAISING IDEAS / PROJECTS**

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

7.1 Public-Facing Crime Map – now on website.

7.2 Articles from MV Gazette – CP Tips Project.

7.3 Alberta Retail Crime Prevention Summit – Red Deer April 24, 2019 – 8 – 4:30
\$60.00 Presentation by AB Justice Crown Prosecutors.

APPROVAL FOR JUDY TO GO MOTION: Gerald / Duncan CARRIED.

7.4 Maskwacis RCMP secure licence plates. Anti theft screws were given out. Do we want to do something similar? Concensus to do article for paper, website & facebook. On benefits and where available.

7.5 AUMA Digest of Weekly Announcements: Have your say on the AB Police Act. County is not aware of this project and with the upcoming election not probable.

8. **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS:**

Meet & Greet planned for Reed Ranch area at the school IN March.

Please pass on suggestions for speakers to Judy 403-507-5647 OR
info@oldsruralcrimewatch.ca

SUGGESTION to get in touch with 4-H leaders to explore membership sales for RCW as a fundraiser for them. Reminder – Gov't does not send our reminders for VEHICLE OR DRIVER's LICENSE RENEWALS.

9. **NEXT MEETING –MARCH 27, 2019 AGM @ 6:00 PM @ TBC**

MEETINGS FOR 2019 WILL BE: Jan 30; Mar 27 AGM; May 29; July 31 (POT LUCK);
Sept 25; Nov 27

10. **ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Shelley CARRIED.**