



# Olds Rural Crime Watch Association

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## **MINUTES - MEETING – Wednesday May 25, 2016 7:30 p.m. MVC Council Chambers**

PRESENT: Marie Sheets, Deb Skeels, Fred Bay, Arnold Lachman, Wally Gunderson, Val Dennis, Marge & George Steckler, John & Alice Neilson, Vance Doering, Wes Erickson, Margaret Erickson, Kevin Heppler, Doug Collie, Thordes Kemp, John Kemp, Kathy Banick, Nancy Blain, Mary Hildebrandt, Bruce Smith Bob & Shirley Gamble, Richard Ross, Robert Deisman, Lyle Bliss, Alissa Firmston, Glenn Bishell, Rod Eckstrand, Judy Schlichenmayer

Call to Order - [Glenn Bishell](#)

INTRODUCTIONS. *Thank you. to Vance for posting fanouts on Facebook.*

1. Adoption / Changes to the Agenda ADD: 6.2 Dangerous Criminal Designation
2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (Jan 27, 2016 & May 25, 2016 - AGM)

MOTION: Judy / Bob Gamble CARRIED.

3. Business Arising from Previous Meetings

3.1 Vice-President - Glenn Bishell has volunteered to let his name stand. With no other volunteers/ nominations. MOTION BY JUDY That Glenn Bishell be acclaimed as Voce-President. CARRIED.

3.2 We still need volunteers for Zone / Range Representatives see attached suggested list – (APPENDIX A). Zones are assigned by Range Roads. **Contact Judy if you are willing to be a designate!**

3.3 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS – Reminder to get renewals in – and talk to your neighbors

3.4 2016 – CRIME PREVENTION TRADE SHOW – SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016 – OLDS LEGION. Good public response – Approximately 200 visitors – 80 were children. Missed Safety Bear and Bike Patrol but they weren't available this year. Officers in Red Surge did attend briefly but were called to duty. Busy weekend in Olds this year. But overall very well received. Sandwich sign recommended for next year **AND SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS!!!!**

3.5 POSTER CONTEST – Deadline is June 30 – Need to promote!! Draft letter attached. (APPENDIX B) Suggestion to Advertise at local libraries.

3.6 AB Community Crime Prevention Association Conference – April 27 & 28 – Calgary. Theme – Community Mobilization (APPENDIX C) RD Councillor Jean Bota new President.

4. REPORTS:

4.1 Fish & Wildlife (Adam Mirus) N/A

4.2 RCMP-Olds (Cst. Lyle Korver). Relatively quiet. 4 members went to Fort Mac with 1 Sundre member and 2 Didsbury members. Lyle spent his time working with the tactile team and

doing door to door canvassing – taking inventory of people still there. Also manned check points and watching for opportunists vandalising / stealing property. Still ongoing on a rotating basis. They were evacuated out of 2 different camps as citizens from Fort Mac arrived. There were and will be more health issues with the environment as fridges/deep-freezers are disposed of.

4.3 RCMP -Sundre (Cst. Val Dennis) PRESENTATION: DRUG SAFETY

Community Safety Net. Val gave a short overview of the program. Over 300 books were distributed in the community. And to Grade 5 – 8 students & High School teachers as a resource.

Crime in Sundre: Lots of hits in back country. Compressor station hit – stole computer and other miscellaneous stuff. Please keep a watch on your community AND REPORT when you see something that seems fishy. There are Hundreds of **safety apps** have been developed for mobile devices such as smart phones and tablet computers.

4.4 RCMP – Didsbury (Cst. Andrew McKeane)

4.5 Mountain View County (Kevin Heppler / Al Kemmere). May long weekend was fairly quiet. Comparing stats to last year shows the number of speeders is up but speeds were slower.

4.6 PRESIDENT’S REPORT N/A

4.7 SECRETARY’S REPORT: Continue to work with CATV1.ca on crime reports for news from Didsbury-Sundre & Olds RCMP. Reports posted on our website. No word on grant from County to create a Crime Prevention Tip of the week for paper/radio/TV. No word back from MVC on expenditures for 2015 for 2016 grant Attended Cochrane RCW AGM, April 9. Rosemary Lindsay’s report on Prov. RCW Symposium is posted on our website with her permission. Presentation from F & W and RCMP Liaison who is also the RCMP Sketch Artist for S AB. Also attended Raven RCW meeting Apr 14. Presentations on Crime Prevention and Personal Safety from RD County Protective Services. HINT: Walk around your property and view it like a thief would. Get together as a community and get to know your neighbors! Build community relations. Put valuables in discrete, uncommon area. **Don’t post message on answer machine that says you are away and don’t post on Facebook until you return!!** Record serial numbers and keep secure for recovery. Audible alarms are good. If on vacation have trusted neighbor or friend move stuff around in your yard and make new tracks. If you have driveway gates close them when you are home and gone so someone can’t predict when you are gone. Give your contact info to friend **and their info to security company**. Make sure your contact info is up to date with your security company. Cloning and re-vin ing vehicles has been happening in our region with higher value vehicles. Check **with dealer** to make sure VIN matches what you are buying and check with registries to make sure no liens. Get copy of D.L. of seller. ID theft a big deal. Recently arrested an individual in Blackfalds with a significant amount questionable ID. Check your bank and credit card statements for weird – small purchases. REPORT. Police can’t do anything if they don’t know!! You can remain anonymous. Report abandoned vehicles to county and report suspicious vehicles to RCMP.

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE – INFORMATION ON RECENT RCMP RELEASES AND MISSING CHILDREN ALERTS WITH PICTURES. AND** Community Policing Committees from Olds & Didsbury agendas and minutes posted along with RCMP stats reports [www.oldsruralcrimewatch.ca](http://www.oldsruralcrimewatch.ca)

4.8 RED DEER COUNTY REPORT: (Alissa Firmston) Steady. Number of joint operations with Clear Water County in the back country. Fire Bans on including burning leaves in yards. CPTED & Crime Prevention presentations to towns and there is a Crime Prevention presentation with Blackfalds Victim Services Unit – June 2.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- 6.1 Fan-out System – retirement? System is coming to the end of its life with new rules on spam e-mail. Will require a total re-write of program to comply with regulations. The Executive is researching alternatives. System is still useable for phone messages.
- 6.2 Dangerous Criminal Designation. The question was raised on if we should send a resolution to our Provincial Association to strengthen the rules on designation of dangerous criminals. This follows a recent ruling on Matthew de Groot for the stabbing deaths of 5 youths in Calgary and NCR ruling. The families are asking that NCR rulings come with a High-risk Offender designation as well. The consensus was that we should send a resolution in support of HRO designations in these circumstances to the Prov RCW Assoc this fall.

7. Financial Report

7.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - balance@ April 30, 2016  
Balances were reported and  
**MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT:** Judy / Marg CARRIED

7.2 Outstanding Bills: Meeting Expenses & photocopying  
**MOTION TO PAY BILLS:** Fred / Dick CARRIED.

- 7.3 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION / DISCUSSION
- APRCWA AGM MINUTES – DRAFT
  - THANK YOU FOR INVITE – Jason Nixon
  - IDENTITY FRAUD - It's Personal – AMA Insider – Spring 2016
  - Phone Police – Olds Albertan – Jan 26/16
  - Crime Watch Society helping keep communities safe – MV Gazette – Feb 9, 2016
  - RCMP – “K” Division Detachment Map –Phone #
  - APRCWA Policy Document – Table of Contents – on their Website
  - Red Deer / Lacombe RCWA Brochure & AGM Presenter info
  - Ways to Protect Against Bank Fraud While Travelling
  - BBB News releases on Scams
  - Albertans reminded speeding can result in jail time
  - ACOPA Feb Newsletter – note Speed Watch APP
  - Carstairs Courier – B & E's and Thefts continue – April 5 Carstairs Courier
  - Home security cameras urged – April 12 – Didsbury Review
  - Campaign aimed at curbing Speeding – MV Gazette Apr 12
  - Focus resources on serious crime – MV Gazette – Apr 26

- Loss Prev Mag – March-April 2016
- Empowering Youth to say NO to Gangs
- Impact – 5 years of Reach Edmonton Highlights
- AMA Insider – Summer 2016 – Safety in Towing
- AMA Roundup – Driving Safety / Hot Cars / Vehicle Registration – no more mail notices
- LPM Insider – Credit Card Fraud
- RD COUNTY – BROCHURES (avail on their website)
- Kids safety restraints brochure
- Saferoad Reminders brochure

8. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS:

Request to have fanouts describe area as well as range road and township – West of Sundre; East of Didsbury; ETC. would be appreciated.

Fanout problems with system @ Rocky. Looking to interact more with more rural areas.

Signs are working. Several neighbors in the Eagle Hill area were hit but members with signs posted were missed.

Please promote membership and corporate sponsorship. Adding to our numbers and strengthening crime prevention programs such as trail camera surveillance, and encouraging reporting of suspicious activity will only make our community less likely to be targets.

9. NEXT MEETING – JULY 27, 2016 @ 7:30 PM @ MV County Office. CPTED presentation from Alissa

**MEETINGS FOR 2016 WILL BE:** Jan 27; Mar 23 AGM; May 25; July 27; Sept 28; Nov 23

10. ADJOURNMENT

PS – StopBully memberships for \$20 will be available if you wish to donate/support them

## APPENDIX A:

ZONE		ZONE REPS
01	OTHER AGEN/RCW	none
04	OLDS COP	Leanne Finlay
05	EXECUTIVE	none
08	SPOG / SHELL	Marcie Newman
09	TOWN OF SUNDRE	
10	RR 10 – RR 20	Vance / Glen B / Ross Holmes / D&P Braun
20	RR 20 – RR 30	K Banick / S Baker / Mary Hildebrandt / Fred Newsome
30	RR 30 – RR 40	Bill Wigley / Ken Burrell
40	RR 40 – RR 50	Dick Ross /
50	RR 50 – RR 60	Sarah-Rory Gunderson?
60	RR 60 – RR 70	Dianne Alberda?
70	RR 70 – RR 80	T Kleeberger - Burntstick
80	RR 80 – RR 90	
	WEST COUNTRY	Meryl Fox (Sunset) ? / Jason Bradley (RD River Ranch)??
91-94	BLANK FOR FUTURE	
95	TOWN TORRINGTON /WIMBORNE	Jack Pratt
96	TOWN OF OLDS	Dave Hogarth
97	TOWN BOWDEN	Wayne Milaney
98-99	TEST ZONES	none
260	RR 260 - 270	Judy S / Evelyn Smith? / Alan Anhorn?
270	RR 270 - 280	Arnold / Pat James? / K Ingram? Wes Erickson?
280	RR 280 – RR 10	Roy Nesom ?
	CLEAR WATER COUNTY	
	BIG HORN COUNTY	
	KNEEHILL COUNTY	

### RESPONSIBILITIES:

Liaise between RCMP and your neighbors

Go-to to activate patrols / road closures

Co-host with office – one event yearly to promote RCW and memberships

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## APPENDIX B

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## 2016 RURAL CRIME WATCH ASSOCIATIONS POSTER CONTEST

The Annual Poster Contest is open to students from grades 1 – 9 in rural communities. Posters can be hand drawn or computer generated – but must show some input by the student, the poster cannot be a direct copy of something from the internet. Incorrect spelling automatically disqualifies a poster.

**POSTER CONTEST THEMES:** RURAL CRIME WATCH, CRIME PREVENTION, or REPORT A POACHER

ALL QUALIFYING POSTERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: **JUNE 30, 2016.**

1. Grade One
2. Grade Two
3. Grade Three
4. Grade Four
5. Grade Five
6. Grade Six
7. Grade Seven
8. Grade Eight
9. Grade Nine
10. Computer Generated – grades 1-3
11. Computer Generated – grades 4 - 6
12. Computer Generated – grades 7 - 9

Each of the Categories will be awarded the following:

1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$65.00      2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$45.00      3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$30.00

First and second place posters will be sent onto the Provincial Rural Crime Watch Association for judging. They will determine which posters will be used in the 2017 Calendar. The Solicitor General will also provide plaques for 1<sup>st</sup> place winners at the provincial level. All posters will become the property of the APRCWA and will not be returned.

### RULES:

1. Artwork must reflect the theme: Rural Crime Watch, Crime Prevention, or Report A Poacher.
2. Artwork is to be done in **landscape format**: (horizontal 8.5 x 11")
3. Student's name, school name & grade, home address, and telephone numbers are to be printed on the back of the artwork in pencil. Please include parental consent forms TAPED, **Not stapled** to the back of the poster.
4. Winner's names (and possibly photo) will be published in The Bulletin, which is also posted on-line. Parents must give permission for children's names/photo to be published. **RELEASE FORM MUST ACCOMPANY ARTWORK!**

**RELEASE FORM FOR PUBLICATION**

For Alberta Provincial Rural Crime Watch Association Poster contest Winners 2017

I, \_\_\_\_\_(parent/legal guardian) agree to:

Allow publication of the name and/or photograph of my child in local newspapers and on the internet, should my child win a prize in the Alberta Provincial Rural Crime Watch Association poster contest.

Name of student (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Grade of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School name (and community location): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL POSTERS ARE THE PROPERTY OF THE ALBERTA PROVINCIAL RURAL CRIME WATCH ASSOCIATION AND WILL NOT BE RETURNED.**

**This form is to be provided to the school AND attached to the back of each entry to be eligible to win. Please remember that the art must be in LANDSCAPE FORMAT. The poster/form is to be given to the local representatives of the Rural Crime Watch Association.**





Neighborhood Activity Kits supplied by town office with a small grant, for community members to host a block party and get to know your neighbors!

Do an Asset Inventory of Skill Sets available in the community

### **SAFEST PLACES FOCUS ON COMMUNITY**

EVERYTHING TAKES TIME!

Check ACCPA website for presentations

APPENDIX D:

### **ALBERTA PROVINCIAL RURAL CRIME WATCH BOARD REPORT TO ZONE 2**

Notes from the April 15, 2016 board meeting

- Board meeting held April 15, 2016
- Shelving is incomplete for the supplies trailer but scheduled over the next month.
- Office administrator position is still under discussion; need to make a proper job description and a procedure to track hours of work
- Banners to the member associations was distributed. Check with your zone Director if you have not received the 2 banners. Will purchase additional banners as replacements in the event that damage does occur to any banners during their regular use.
- A policy of \$20 charge per NSF check that is sent to the Provincial Association will apply going forward.
- Sales of supplies and signage was discussed; “dead” stock will be discussed at the next Board meeting in June. MNP concerned that we are carrying too much inventory. (If dead stock amounts to sizable amount of inventory dollars, a need to right off some stock may be necessary rather than carry cost for years to come)
- Next casino scheduled for first quarter of 2018. Will be looking for volunteers to man the event
- Next APRCWA AGM Feb 4 2017 in Kitscoty, Alberta.
- Crime prevention week May 15 – 21, 2016
- Bylaw reconsideration; bylaws may need to be reviewed from time to time. Committee to look at the bylaws and recommend change if necessary
- Discussion on the Fan out computers and the new options that is available on the web. Need to research options and cost to use a “dialmycalls.com” type of web site. May be more efficient and less cost to maintain with less down time.

Submitted by Zone 2 Director  
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