

V.S.I. SERVICES (1980) LTD

A non-profit organization providing veterinary care in Alberta

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October 12, 2020

Ms. Barbara Johnson, CAO
Municipal District of Peace #135
PO Box 34, Berwyn, AB T0H 0E0



Dear Barbara,

The **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** of V.S.I. Services (1980) Ltd. will be held on **Friday November 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.** at the **Peace Valley Inns – 9609 101 St.** Peace River, AB.

The following documents are enclosed:

1. Agendas for the AGM and Board of Directors meetings
2. Minutes of the 2019 AGM
3. Minutes of the 2019 Board of Directors meeting
4. Financial Statement for 2019.

I took the liberty to include a second set of documents to be forwarded to your representative. Please ensure that she / he receives his information package for this meeting and is aware about the **level of support that your jurisdiction is willing provide in 2021.**

In view of the current uncertainty regarding the Covid-19 situation at that time, we will try and make this meeting available via Zoom Conference. **If this is an option your representative(s) want to pursue, I will require confirmation of their intent to attend via Zoom** rather than in person, as well as the most appropriate **email to confirm** and set up the link.

Once again, a recommendation will be made to base the 2021 VSI fee schedule on the rates suggested by the Alberta Veterinary Medical Association. Their full schedule will not be available until beginning of December. Hopefully we will have some indication of their intended increases to help us setting our rates for 2021.

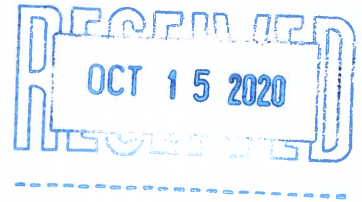
I thank you for your support of VSI in the past and look forward to continuation of the VSI program in your jurisdiction in 2021.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. Thank you

Rik Vandekerkhove DVM
Manager

cc. Lelia Sumner
Admin@mdpeace.com

AGENDA
V.S.I. MEMBERS MEETING
Friday November 13, 2020.
PEACE VALLEY INNS
9609 101 ST. PEACE RIVER, AB
10:00 A.M.



- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Introductions
- 3) Additions to the Agenda
- 4) Approval of the Agenda
- 5) Minutes of the November 8, 2019 meeting
- 6) Business Arising from the Minutes
- 7) Manager's Report
- 8) VSI Update (Round Table Discussion)
- 9) Approval of New Members
- 10) Deletions from Membership list
- 11) Nominations for Veterinary Directors
- 12) Other Business
 - a) Telemedicine
 - Exams
 - Post mortems – Client or tech based
 - Other
 - b) VCPR Renewals –
 - c) Add AI to schedule B.
 - d) Blood transfusion
 - e) Bees as an eligible species
 - f) Preview of 2021 fee schedule
 - g) Compensation for Veterinary Directors / attending veterinarians
 - h) Communications.
 - i) Items from the floor
- 13) Adjournment

AGENDA
V.S.I. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Friday November 13, 2020
PEACE VALLEY INNS
9609 101 ST. PEACE RIVER, AB

Immediately following the V.S.I. Members Meeting

Note: VSI members and other invited guests can participate in this meeting but only the Directors have a vote.

1. Call to Order
2. Additions to the Agenda
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Minutes of the November 8, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting
5. Business arising from the minutes
6. Retiring Directors
7. Appointment of Directors for 2021
8. Review of 2019 Financial Statements
9. Appointment of Accountant for the 2020 Fiscal Year
10. Approval to destroy V.S.I. claim forms and contracts up to and including 2013.
11. Requisitions for 2021
12. Items brought forward from the AGM
13. Veterinary Fee Schedule for 2021
14. Review of President's Honorarium
15. Election of Executive
16. Other Business
 - a) Review of manager
 - b) Setting date next AGM and Director's meeting.
 - c) Other
17. Adjournment

**Minutes
Annual General Meeting
VSI Services (1980) Ltd
November 8, 2019**

Attendees

DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MUNICIPALITY</u>
Dale McQueen	Woodlands County
Dale Smith	MD of Greenview #16
Gerald Manzulenko	Birch Hills County
Brian Harcourt	Clear Hills County
Terry Ungarian	County of Northern Lights
Walter Sarapuk	Mackenzie County
Mike Krywiak	MD of Bonnyville #87
Sandra Melzer	MD of Lesser Slave River #124
Norm Boulet	MD of Smoky River #130
Ken Herlinveaux	MD of Peace #135
Peggy Johnson*	MD of Fairview #136
Tara Guglich	Mighty Peace Veterinary Clinic (Grimshaw)
Rik Vandekerkhove	VSI Manager

Note: * indicates new Director for the Municipality

REGRETS

Evan Lowe	Emmerson Trail Veterinary Services Ltd.
Darlen Beniuk *	Lac La Biche County
Ed Armagost	Saddle Hills County
Dessa Dawn Nicholson	Saddle Hills County
David Marx	Big Lakes County

OTHERS

Janice Boden	MD of Bonnyville #87 – assistant ag field man
Sheila Kaut	Big Lakes County
Sebastian Dutrisc	Northern Sunrise County
Zoe Ross	Dawson Creek Veterinary Clinic
Kathrin Langlois	Birch Hills County -Assistant Ag fieldman

TELECONFERENCE - Courtesy of Mosaik Veterinary Partners

Wendy Quist	Frontier Veterinary Services Ltd
Jocelyn Gibson	High Prairie Veterinary Clinic
JM Pozniak (partly reg appeal)	Greenview Veterinary Clinic

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Terry Ungarian at 10.00 a.m.

2. Introductions

3. Additions to Agenda

- k) non-following of the contract
- l) items from the floor

4. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Walter Sarapuk that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

5. Minutes of last AGM – November 9, 2018

Minutes were presented for review

Moved by Dale McQueen that the minutes of the November 9, 2018 Annual General Meeting be approved

CARRIED

6. Business arising from the minutes

Noted that the initial minutes draft would be forwarded to CAO and AG Fieldman / contact for MD in the next few weeks

7. Manager's Report

Dr. Vandekerkhove presented the managers' report

Q: By Dale Smith regarding email- contact with clinics – counties is it working.
R.: While not always ideal, it does work within the current confines

Moved by Gerald Manzulenko that the Manager's Report be accepted.

CARRIED

A copy of Dr. Vandekerkhove's report will be attached to the file copy of these minutes.

8. VSI Update (Round Table Discussion)

Dale Smith

MD of Greenview will stay with the current 50/50 split

Dale McQueen

Woodlands County will remain with the current 50/50 split and conditions – 20 bulls, 400 preg checks

Walter Sarapuk

Mackenzie County will stay with the current 50/50 split – also has individual support agreement with the local veterinary Clinic in Fort Vermilion

Gerald Manzulenko

Birch Hills County will remain with current 50/50 split

Norm Boulet

MD of Smoky River will maintain current 50/50 split with overall limit of \$2,500 per client per year

Mike Krywiak

Md of Bonnyville will maintain the current 50/50 split, limit of 20 bulls

Sebatian Dutrisac

Northern Sunrise County will remain with the 50/50 split

Ken Herlinveaux

MD of Peace will maintain the 50/50 split with a \$1,800 cap per producer

Sandra Melzer

MD of Lesser Slave River Stay with the 60/40 split with limit of 8 bull semen tests and 200 preg checks

Peggy Johnson

MD of Fairview will be changing to a 60/40 Split from the current 70/30 split in place

Brian Harcourt

Clear Hills County will remain with the 50/50 split

Terry Ungarian

County of Northern Lights

Maintaining the 50/50 split currently in place

Big lakes County will continue with the 50/50 split and the limits induced this year of 10 Bull Semen Tests per producer per year and 200 preg checks.

Other issues

Dale Smith brought up the issues of trying to deal with dead stock other than the current landowners' options of disposal on site.

No trucking available in most of the areas

Sandra Melzer brought up that in the Westlock area there was possibility of pick up for \$72/ animal, but only in a certain mileage range

Brian Harcourt Support for VCPR – is being provided with limit on time actively supported

Terry Ungarian this year they were faced with the threat of evacuation due to forest fires – the livestock side was ill prepared for this eventuality

Country of Northern lights host is hosting an open house on November 21, 2019

9. Approval of New Members

The following veterinarians have applied for VSI membership

Dr. Eric Burow	Peace River Veterinary Clinic
Dr. Charlotte Corbett	Dawson Creek Veterinary Clinic
Dr. Danielle Gutter	Fairview Veterinary Clinic Ltd.
Dr. Kayleigh Mahony	Hilltop Veterinary Clinic
Dr. Carmen Schneider	Dawson Creek Veterinary Clinic

It was moved by Peggy Johnson that Drs. Burow, Corbett, Gutter, Mahony, and Schneider be approved as V.S.I. members.

CARRIED

10. Deletions from Membership list

Drs. Kelli Haggett, Amy Hery, Trevor Jackson, Mira Kelada, Chris Kiepal, Richard Mc Watt, Emily Wilson, & Bogdan Zydalgo did not sign a 2019 VSI contract thus are no longer eligible to be members of VSI. Sadly Dr. Faintuk passed away so his membership will also be retired

Dale Smith moved that Drs. Haggett, Hery, Jackson, Kelada, Kiepal, Mc.Watt, Wilson, Zydalgo, & Faintuk be removed from the VSI membership list.

CARRIED

As of this date there are fifty-two (52) veterinary members out of the seventy- six (76) that signed a 2019 contract. Two veterinarians are in the process of signing on. We are down four (4) – likely to become two (2) veterinarians from 2018 and our membership has increased by 1 in overall numbers

Dr. Zoe: These numbers may mask a bit the underlying issue of a declining number of veterinarians in rural practices. There are more ads out for Veterinarians and Veterinary assistants than ever before. Where it used to be more single practitioner clinics in rural areas, it now includes multi- vet facilities, even into the cities. Burn-out and mental health issues are at a higher level than in other professions. Reason are multiple, but limitation to funding of Veterinarians colleges does not help the situation.

11. Nomination of Veterinary Directors

Last year Drs. Guglich and Lowe were the veterinarian Directors. They are the first line of support for the manager regarding veterinarian interpretation. Dr. Evan Lowe asked me to pass on his regrets to not being able to make the meeting but has indicated his willingness to serve again.

Dr. Tara Guglich indicated she would also be willing to serve again.

Dr. Ross and Dr. Quist declined at this time

Dr. Tara Guglich was nominated by Ken Herlinveaux

Dr. Evan Lowe was nominated by Sandra Melzer

Dale McQueen moved that nominations cease.

Moved by Walter Sarapuk that the Drs. Guglich &

Lowe be recommended for appointment to the Board of Directors.

CARRIED

12. Other Business

a) Veterinary Client Patient Relationship (VCPR)

Overall the impact from the VCPR addition to the schedule has been limited. At the same time, that is not necessary the case for individual municipalities. Four municipalities have seen impact on their budgets as a result.

On an individual base the impact for the current year ranges from 5% over 3.1% to 2.4% for the municipalities affected, for others it was below 1.1% to non-existing.

For the present veterinarians, new clients were required to have VCPR. For existing clients this mostly was based on a continuous relationship, without additional specific VCPR charges

Moved by Dale McQueen to recommend to the board that current VCPR support level stays in place.

CARRIED

b) contract issues

There has been this year some issue with the extra fees. In the contract description for these is under item 10 i)

“ All additional fees including but not restricted to travel (kilometer) fees, after hours fees, waiting time, etc. and such additional fees shall not exceed the amounts prescribed in the most recent AB.VMA suggested fee schedule.”

In the past limited to no close verification has been done on this as most clinics adhered to this. This year it became an issue and so there may be a need to revise this portion of the contract.

As a background the reason for this is that our schedule A compensation is based on the ABVMA suggested fee schedule. In the past it was looked upon that if we support the farmers in their veterinary costs, the veterinary cost should be based upon (not copy) the ABVMA suggested fee schedule. While VSI does not actively support these fees, VSI considered it prudent to include this link in other areas such as extra fees. Part of this was the impression higher fees for non-supported fees would give third parties. It may be looked upon then as just a support for veterinarians, not affecting the overall cost to farmers – thus negating the support to them. This would make VSI as an entity more susceptible to political and financial considerations on the funding level.

i) Mileage

ABVMA suggests per km one way, or zone approach

Discussion followed with the counter arguments based on the following
-Since VSI does not support it, so should not necessarily impede the individual decisions to set their own non-supported fees.

-Driving is a much less productive use of available time for the veterinarian, and takes him away from the clinic where other clients may also be looking for services.

-Prevents in certain cases maximum use of clinic facilities.

-Local costs and comparable rates in other professions

Consensus was reached that mileage fee restrictions be removed. Client-vet agreement.

ii) After hours

ABVMA suggests an after-hour rate past 8 pm, and on other times the clinic is closed. VSI has allowed this to be applied outside of business hours.

Discussion followed

Consensus was reached that the after-hours restriction would be removed

iii.) dispensing fees vs drug costing.

VSI does not allow a dispensing fee to be added to dispensed medication, even if this medication is for an additional animal that is not presented. In the past drug prices have been checked by both Jim and myself on the basis of the normal applied drug mark-up applied by the clinics.

Recently I noticed one clinic that routinely has a much greater mark-up on used medication. As the contract is mute on the exact allowed mark-up for drugs, I have not continued my push to keep mark-ups within the most used range. This is now creating a divergence of measures on drug prices. Also to be considered is the new rules regarding dispensing of medication, which creates a bigger administrative burden on the veterinarian to dispense for this not seen animal. Do we need a firmer drug cost wording in the contract or do we want to re-consider the dispensing fee for not seen animals?

Consensus was to allow a dispensing fee for medication for additional animals. No change in the contract regarding drug mark-up.

Moved by Mike Krywiak that the contract be amended by removing section 10 i), as well as allow a dispensing fee on medication dispensed for additional not-seen animals.

CARRIED

c) In house lab costs

There has been an increase in in house lab charges applied to claims. Some of them, as a skin smear in clinic, have been considered part of the general exam. Up until now I have dealt with most of these as lab costs, which are excluded under our contract. The ABVMA has a fee schedule for in house lab charges, but it includes interpretation, where we considered that to be part of the exam

Moved by Sandra Melzer to accept for info only

CARRIED

d) Coding in combination with flat fees

There currently is the provision in schedule A that in combination with flat fee procedures with cost equal or greater than that of a code #50 (examination) an additional animal will be considered as an extra animal – code #51- with a reduced fee. There is also the rule that more than 2 exams need to be coded under

code#25 – professional fee per hour. A third rule is that if in combination with a flat fee a second animal examined requires both these exams to be charged under a code #25. It would appear no veterinarian ever read the last rule. I would suggest that we allow a second animal to be also coded under the code #51. Three or more extra exams would be still need to be charged under code #25.

Moved by Sandra Melzer that we recommend to the board to allow a second extra exam under code #51 in combination with (a) flat fee(s) of equal or greater cost than a general exam (code#5) cost. When more than two (2) claims are made using any combination of codes 50, 51, 52 & 55 they will be claimed under code #25

CARRIED

e) Extensive herd treatment

Last year there was a case where the veterinarian with a couple Tech's treated a whole herd due to the fact the owner was away for work. This resulted in a fair-sized support for what in most cases would be an owner's responsibility. At the same time, it still falls within our definition of herd health.

Moved by Gerald Manzulenko to accept for info only

CARRIED

f) Pot Belly pig classification.

The question was posed if pot belly pigs fall under VSI since it is a pig. Manager's decision was no, but he would want confirmation that is an appropriate stance

Moved by Sandra Melzer to accept for info only

CARRIED

g) Bees as an eligible species

proposition was put forward by a municipality to include bees as an eligible species. Due to the VCPR requirement they now require veterinary support for medication.

Discussion followed

Moved by Gerald Manzulenko that this item will be taken back to the individual Councils

CARRIED

h) Mileage to be added to schedule A

Proposition was put forward by a municipality to include mileage under schedule A, receiving support from VSI

Moved by Dale Smith to accept for info only

CARRIED

i) Preview of 2020 fee schedule

Over the past number of years V.S.I. has mostly supported increasing the fee schedule in the amount recommended by the AB.VMA. The AB.VMA told Dr. Vandekerkhove that council is going to request increasing their fees with 2.8 %. This increase is based on the Consumer Price Index for Alberta. The Food Animal Committee meeting will be held beginning of December, and they are likely to follow this request.

Moved by Dale Smith to recommend the board that 2020 year fee schedule be increased by 2.8 % from the current schedule

j) Compensation for Veterinary Directors

Last year it was suggested in the directors meeting to perhaps set an honorarium for the veterinary directors as they are the only ones not being paid for their time at the meeting or during the year. What is the opinion of the members?

Moved by Gerald Manzulenko to recommend to the board that attending Veterinarian Directors would be paid an honorarium equal to an average of the councilors remuneration for this meeting plus mileage compensation based on the Alberta Provincial Compensation Guide. All veterinarians who attend in person may be eligible for a similar compensation but requiring a yearly confirmation vote in the AGM before application. Veterinarians attending the meeting by teleconference may be eligible for the honorarium portion only (no mileage) if approved in the yearly confirmation vote in the AGM.

CARRIED

k). non compliance to contract

Last year we had a clinic not follow the rule that VSI clients cannot be charged more than non-VSI clients for the same service. The clinic was made aware of this, and remedies were implemented as per contract. An additional request was made for them to provide us with their 2019 charge list for both VSI

and non-VSI clients, as proof this was remedied for this year. This request was also made during previous encounters of this breach of contract with other veterinarians/clinics, and to my knowledge was always complied with. There was reluctance to comply, so the request was repeated after every claim submission, with no results till the last quarter. However, only a non-VSI client equivalent of the submitted claims was provided, not the requested full listing of their charges. In those comparison there was once again a higher charge for VSI clients on one recurring code (Clinic fee). It also showed an item at a much higher rate for the non-VSI client. That particular item was capped at the maximum VSI fee for the VSI client as per contract. Previously in discussion with one of the veterinarians it was indicted that the charges were not under the veterinarian's control. No promise could be made by that person that they would comply with the request to provide a list, as the financial aspect was not under veterinarian control. The contract provides the possibility to not renew the contract for veterinarians that do not follow the VSI versus non VSI client charge rule.

Recommended by Sandra that letter be send indicating the need to comply and be given a date by which compliance has to be adhered to in order to get renewal offer.

13. Adjournment

Brian Harcourt moved for adjournment at 12:40 pm.

**Minutes
VSI Services (1980) Ltd
Board of Directors Meeting
November 8, 2019**

DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MUNICIPALITY</u>
Dale McQueen	Woodlands County
Dale Smith	MD of Greenview #16
Gerald Manzulenko	Birch Hills County
Brian Harcourt	Clear Hills County
Terry Ungarian	County of Northern Lights
Walter Sarapuk	Mackenzie County
Mike Krywiak	MD of Bonnyville #87
Sandra Melzer	MD of Lesser Slave River #124
Norm Boulet - alternate	MD of Smoky River #130
Ken Herlinveaux	MD of Peace #135
Peggy Johnson*	MD of Fairview #136
Rik Vandekerkhove	Manager

Note: * indicates new Director for the Municipality

OTHERS

Sebastian Dutrisac	Northern Sunrise County

TELECONFERENCE (Courtesy of Mosaik Veterinary Partners)

Sheila Kaus	Big Lakes County
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REGRETS

Evan Lowe	Emerson Trail Veterinary Services Ltd.
Darlen Beniuk*	Lac La Biche County
Ed Armagost	Saddle Hills County
Tara Guglich	Mighty Peace Veterinary Clinic (Grimshaw)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Terry Ungarian at 12:48 pm

2. Additions to the Agenda

move article 13 ahead of 12

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Dale Smith that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. Approval of Minutes – Board of Directors November 9, 2018

Errors or omissions

Correction: Sebastian Dutrisac is from Northern Sunrise County, not MD of Smoky River

It was moved by Dale McQueen that the minutes of November 8, 2018 meeting of the Board of Directors be approved as corrected

CARRIED

5. Business arising if any

None

6. Retiring Directors

It was moved by Dale McQueen that the following resignations from the Board of Directors be accepted.

CARRIED

George L'Heureux	Lac La Biche County
Phil Kolodychuk	MD of Fairview #136

7. Appointment of Directors
Following motion

It was moved by Walter Sarapuk that the following appointments to the Board of Directors be accepted

Darlen Beniuk	Lac La Biche County
Peggy Johnson	MD of Fairview #136

CARRIED

8. Auditor's Report – 2018 Financial Statement

Moved by Dale McQueen that the 2018 Notice to Reader be accepted.

CARRIED

2019 Estimates – Dr. Vandekerkhove

This year most jurisdictions are in reasonable shape, but some could end up with a deficit, especially once administrative costs are included in the mix. Our overall spending has increase. I did not increase the overall estimate of our expenses beyond what I believe them to be in the future.

At risk are the county of Woodlands, Birch Hills, and Mackenzie as well as the MD's of Bonnyville and Lesser Slave River. Amounts are likely to be such that no interim requisition will be necessary, and shortfall will be added to final dollar request for 2020.

9. Appointment of Accountant for 2019 fiscal year

We managed once again to stay within the promised \$1.00 discrepancy, making 2018 once again uneventful on the accounting side. Sue Madden indicated that she would be willing to once again investigate this for us next year. Her bill of \$840 was the same than last year.

Moved by Gerald Manzulenko that H & R Block of Fairview be appointed to prepare a "Notice to Reader" for the 2019 fiscal year

CARRIED

10. Approval to Destroy Claim Forms

Moved by Peggy Johnson that V.S.I. claim forms and contracts up to and including 2012 be destroyed

CARRIED

11. Requisitions for 2020

Dr. Vandekerkhove makes the same proposal as last year for determining the dollar amount that is put into the contract between VSI and Municipal Jurisdictions.

The proposal is to base the 2020 requisition estimates on actual claims from October 1 of 2018 to September 30th of 2019 with an adjustment based on an estimate of what the new fee schedule will cost plus an estimate of administration & GST costs. This would be the amount put in the 2020 contracts.

Furthermore, to add in a 10% contingency again this year so that it is less likely that we would have to go back and request additional funds should our estimates be too low.

The requisitions, which will go out in early February, after all the 2019 claims have been paid, and will be based on actual costs for 2019 with an adjustment based on an estimate of what the new fee schedule will cost with a 10% contingency plus an estimate of administration & GST costs. Surpluses will be deducted from the actual requisitions and deficits will be added.

Ask for Motion(s) on Contract and Requisition amounts

Moved by Gerald that Contract and requisition amounts will be based as indicated with a 2.8% fee-based increase with a 10% contingency with estimated GST and Administration cost.

CARRIED

Note: Item 13 (appeal) was dealt with first

12. Items from the AGM

Contract issues reg a: mileage, after hours, Dispensing fee vs drug costing.

Moved by Dale McQueen that recommendation to remove item 10 i) from the contract be accepted, and that dispensing fees would be allowed for not-seen animals.

CARRIED

Coding in combination with flat fees

Moved by Dale Smith that the recommendation to allow two code #51 as extra exams beside (a) flat fee(s) of equal or greater value be accepted

CARRIED

Compensation for Veterinary Directors

Moved by Gerald Manzulenko to allow a honorarium for attending veterinary directors based on an average compensation of the councilors (\$250) and mileage as per Province of Alberta guidelines. Attending veterinarians could qualify for similar compensation, but this requires a confirming vote by the AGM each year

before granted. If attending by teleconference mileage compensation is not allowed.

CARRIED

Noncompliance with contract

Moved by Walter Sarapuk that a letter be sent setting an end date for compliance. If not met contract would not be renewed till full listing of comparable charges for VSI clients and non-VSI clients is presented showing adherence to the contract principle of not charging the VSI clients more than non-VSI clients.

13. Appeal of manager decision/action to enforce contract extra fees – mileage

Dr. JM Pozniak does not believe the action taken by the manager towards him regarding the enforcement of the extra fees limits under 10 i) of the contract to be reasonable and made his decision clear that he would appeal it after the procedure was explained. He later agreed to postpone the decision to the AGM / Board of directors and was willing to wait till then on the payment. As a result the appeal was added to this board meeting, rather than have an extra board meeting during the summer months.

Dr. Pozniak explained his reasons for appeal.

-Mileage was not changed from before he took over the clinic. While he had signed the contract, he had initially signed it as an associate, not worrying over the details as they were handled by management. Once he took over, the renewal was a shortened version, so he did not realize there was something on the extra fees that he was not compliant with. The sudden change to enforcement interfered with his intended management of the way his practice was run. (discouraging traveling)

-Other arguments were the same as presented during The AGM on the mileage issue.

-The fact emergency fees during the day were not allowed hindered him as a sole practitioner to deal with the effect of such emergencies on the normal booked agenda of his clinic.

Discussion followed

Moved by Sandra Melzer to approve his appeal on the mileage constriction and allow payment of the claims that were on hold till settlement of the appeal, relieving his necessity to comply with section 10 i) of the current contract.

CARRIED with one opposed

Dr. Pozniak withdrew his appeal on the daytime emergency fee not being allowed and will comply with this requirement.

14. Items Relating to the Fee Schedule

It was moved by Dale Smith and seconded by Gerald Manzulenکو that Schedule A is to be increased by 2.8% for the 2020 year.

CARRIED

15. Review of President's Honorarium

The President's Honorarium is currently set at \$725 per year. If the AGM has approved a 2.8% increase for the fee schedule it would be reasonable to suggest that the President's Honorarium be similarly increased

Moved by Dale Smith that the President's Honorarium be set at \$725 for 2020.

CARRIED

16. Election of Executive

President

Brian Harcourt nominated Terry Ungarian for the position of President.

Sandra Melzer moved that nominations cease

CARRIED

Terry Ungarian was declared President by acclamation

Vice-President

Walter Sarapuk nominated Peggy Johnson for the position of Vice-president.

Sandra Melzer moved that nominations cease.

CARRIED

Peggy Johnson was declared Vice-president by acclamation.

Veterinary Directors

Dale McQueen moved that the Board accept the recommendation from the AGM that Dr. Lowe & Dr. Guglich be approved as Directors.

CARRIED

17. Other Business
 - a. Manager Review

Dale McQueen moved to have a 3% increase for hourly rate for the manager

CARRIED

Date for next AGM and Directors meeting

November 13, 2020 is set as the likely next date for the 2020 AGM and Board of directors meeting

18. Ken Herlinveaux moved that the meeting be adjourned at 1:38pm

CARRIED

V.S.I SERVICES (1980) LTD

Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2019

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

NOTICE TO READER

On the basis of information provided by management, I have compiled the statement of financial position of V.S.I Services (1980) Ltd as at December 31, 2019 and the statements of revenues and expenditures and changes in net assets for the year then ended.

I have not performed an audit or a review engagement in respect of these financial statements and, accordingly, I express no assurance thereon.

Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes.

Fairview , Alberta
October 5, 2020


Katalac Professional Services
Marjorie Wieben

V.S.I SERVICES (1980) LTD
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2019
(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2019	2018
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Investments	\$ 304,887	\$ 289,909
Accounts receivable	5,906	5,932
	\$ 310,793	\$ 295,841
 LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Bank overdraft	\$ 127,005	\$ 129,898
Unrestricted Net Assets	183,788	165,943
	\$ 310,793	\$ 295,841

V.S.I SERVICES (1980) LTD
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 2019
(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2019	2018
Grants	\$ 669,600	\$ 668,300
COST OF SALES		
Claims	<u>601,414</u>	<u>589,142</u>
	68,186	79,158
EXPENSES (Schedule 1)	<u>55,219</u>	<u>50,893</u>
EXCESS OF FEES OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	12,967	28,265
OTHER INCOME		
Interest income	<u>4,878</u>	<u>4,270</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 17,845</u>	<u>\$ 32,535</u>

V.S.I SERVICES (1980) LTD
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
Year Ended December 31, 2019
(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2019	2018
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 165,943	\$ 133,408
Excess of Revenue over expenses	<u>17,845</u>	<u>32,535</u>
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 183,788</u>	<u>\$ 165,943</u>

V.S.I SERVICES (1980) LTD
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2019
(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

1. INCORPORATION AND MEMBERSHIP

V.S.I Services (1980) Ltd. was incorporated under the laws of the Province of Alberta . No shares have been issued and membership is determined by a majority of the current directors. Directors are appointed from each participating local authority, and includes two participating veterinarians and one non-voting member of the A.V.M.A and the Secretary-Manager

2. INCOME TAXES

A corporation under Canadian provincial legislation is a taxable private corporation under the Income Tax Act. Provided that substantially all of the corporation's gross revenue other than interest is derived from dealings with members, Canada Revenue Agency is prepared to regard members' excess contributions as amounts required for the operations and not as income of the corporation or its members.

V.S.I SERVICES (1980) LTD

Expenses

(Schedule 1)

Year Ended December 31, 2019

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2019	2018
GST Expense	\$ 15,948	\$ 15,581
Interest and bank charges	314	144
Management fees	34,193	31,778
Office	2,373	1,313
Professional fees	1,081	800
Telephone	385	275
Travel	925	1,002
	\$ 55,219	\$ 50,893

V.S.I SERVICES (1980) LTD.
Schedule of Allocation of Net Earnings

For the Year Ended December 31, 2019
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<u>Local Authority</u>	<u>Grant Received</u>	<u>Claims Paid</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Interest Earned</u>	<u>Authority Net</u>
Woodlands County	22,000	20,943	2,197	170	(970)
M.D. of Greenview #16	94,300	96,605	8,206	784	(9,727)
Lac La Biche County	51,800	36,131	2,616	293	13,346
Birch Hills County	16,300	14,396	1,309	117	711
Saddle Hills County	48,600	45,619	3,611	370	(259)
Clear Hills County	64,500	51,034	5,117	414	8,763
County of Northern Lights	38,100	33,594	3,212	272	1,567
Mackenzie County	54,800	41,289	4,465	335	9,380
M.D. of Bonnyville #87	105,200	107,745	10,646	874	(12,317)
M.D. of Lesser Slave River #124	13,000	11,240	848	91	1,003
Big Lakes County	55,000	42,294	4,450	343	8,600
M.D. of Smoky River #130	27,000	19,770	1,430	160	5,961
Northern Sunrise County	28,300	25,583	2,129	208	795
M.D. of Spirit River #133	10,000	10,223	809	83	(949)
M.D. of Peace #135	7,300	18,146	1,791	147	(12,490)
M.D. of Fairview #136	33,400	26,803	2,383	217	4,431
Unallocated	-	-	-	-	-
	669,600	601,414	55,219	4,878	17,845

V.S.I SERVICES (1980) LTD.
Schedule of Individual Members' Equity

For the Year Ended December 31, 2019
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<u>Local Authority</u>	<u>VSI #</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>January 1, 2019</u>	<u>Net</u> <u>Income (Loss)</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>December 31, 2019</u>
Woodlands County	15	11,015	(970)	10,045
M.D. of Greenview #16	16	18,629	(9,727)	8,902
Lac La Biche County	18	(6,341)	13,346	7,005
Birch Hills County	19	193	711	904
Saddle Hills County	20	3,881	(259)	3,621
Clear Hills County	21	(1,985)	8,763	6,778
County of Northern Lights	22	4,912	1,567	6,479
Mackenzie County	23	(5,312)	9,380	4,069
M.D. of Bonnyville #87	87	9,761	(12,317)	(2,556)
M.D. of Lesser Slave River #124	124	2,001	1,003	3,004
Big Lakes County	125	1,959	8,600	10,559
M.D. of Smoky River #130	130	2,358	5,961	8,319
Northern Sunrise County	131	1,725	795	2,521
M.D. of Spirit River #133	133	1,981	(949)	1,032
M.D. of Peace #135	135	13,655	(12,490)	1,165
M.D. of Fairview #136	136	119	4,431	4,550
Unallocated	-	107,390	-	107,390
		165,943	17,845	183,788