

**NAVAN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
L'ASSOCIATION DES RESIDENTS DE NAVAN**

MINUTES

September 18, 2006

- 1. Additional agenda items and approval of agenda**
- 2. Approval of minutes of the last meeting of July**
No minutes were available at this time
- 3. Business arising from the minutes**
- 4. Outstanding Business**
- 5. Communications and Announcements**
- 6. Reports**
 - 6.1 Treasurer - Dale Borys
The bill for the flowers has finally been received and seems in line with expectations.
 - 6.2 Chairperson (Public Relations) - Marg
Marg has come up with a very good idea for disseminating news in the village. She is suggesting a combined newsletter (The *Nugget*) involving the Navan Lions Club, Navan Community Association and Navan Fairboard which will be posted on the website and distributed to a few outlets in town. It will be open to all non-profit organizations to post their upcoming events. Marg also suggested approaching some of the advertisers from the Cat's Meow (published by the Lions Club) to see if they would be interesting in paid advertising in the *Nugget*.
 - 6.3 Web Master - Don St. Denis
Don is looking to post the dance and meeting dates and any other upcoming events on the site. It was suggested we look for a creative writer to come up with a description of the Navan area.
 - 6.4 Skiing - Sherry Schaffler
Sherry hopes to get this programme up and running again this year but needs to get started earlier. She will have her information ready for the next meeting in October.
 - 6.5 Tennis - Susan Lovsin
The season went very well with no damages to the property.
 - 6.6 Outdoor Rink - Yves Potvin
 - 6.7 Transportation - Chris MacPherson
Chris reported that OC has granted the community a third earlier bus in the evening, which leaves LeBreton at 15:35 p.m. Chris will send relevant information to Marg to include in the *Nugget*.
 - 6.8 Environment - Trails - Hal MacPherson
 - 6.9 Petrie Island - Darin Hartwell
Due to work commitments, Darin is no longer able to continue in this role. A new representative is required to attend meetings.

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- 6.10 Horticulture - Anne-Marie Potvin
Anne-Marie has been approached to start up a Horticultural Society in Navan and is considering this possibility.
- 6.11 Government Liaison and Coordination - Phillip Grandmâitre
- 6.12 Membership - Chris MacPherson
- 6.13 Safety - Ralph Brookholmes
Ralph reported that he had been receiving requests for crossing guards from the Sky View residents now that the new Heritage school is in operation. Linda presented members with a written report from City officials on the Crossing Guard programme. Evidently studies for eligibility in this programme are undertaken the previous May and June so we will have to wait until next year to be considered for the funding of \$11,500.00 needed to cover the adult guards. Cathie Whye, Principal of Heritage, has stated there would be safety issues involved with using students for this project so Don suggested that Ralph request an increased police presence during the interim from 8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. until we can be considered for the Crossing Guard programme.
- 6.14 Seniors - Colleen Stimpson
- 6.15 Youth Dances - Tom Devcseri
- 6.16 Scouts
Fred Hyde reported for Tom so say that their membership is low this year, partly due to the fact of the school closure in the past couple of years and consequent move to Cumberland. They are also having problems getting leaders. At present the cubs have 5 registered and 1 leader, the scouts have 2 boys and no leader and the venturers have 6 members and 2 leaders. To continue Fred stated that two leaders are needed for each section.
- 6.17 Skateboard Park - Jeff Brown
Marg reported that a meeting of this committee was held in July and it was decided, due to poor response by the youth, that a skateboard park would not be built at the present time. Instead, a multi-purpose concrete pad will be built which can be used for many activities both in winter in summer. If, in future, more interest is shown in a skateboard park, one can be considered at that time.
- 6.18 Minor Baseball - Nancy Toonders
- 6.19 City Report
Linda reported on the Green Partnership Programme in which the City matches finances with the Community. She also covered new rules for small business interested in bidding on City contracts. An evening course will be held shortly covering how to apply for these contracts. More news will be posted on the City website shortly. As for the Rural development progress, a detailed analysis on wells is to be undertaken before the development can be given the green light.

7. Guest Speaker - Carolle Seguin from Orleans-Cumberland Home Support

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Carolle Séguin, Community Development Worker, from the Orleans-Cumberland Resource Centre (OCRC) gave a very comprehensive view of the role played by the OCRC in our community. Their mandate includes working as a liaison, assisting low income families both with counselling and through the Food Bank, and running a diabetes programme in both English and French. This office is one of 14 community and health centres in Ottawa, mainly funded by the City and is situated in Centrum Blvd. Upcoming projects include assisting the Multiservice Centre in Sarsfield, distributing Christmas baskets to low income families (for which sponsors are being sought) and teaching basic computer skills to seniors in both official languages. Ralph Brookholmes volunteered to be the community representative for the OCRC.

8. New Business

8.1 Canada AM

John Bradley and his team videotaped and made up a DVD of our community which was submitted to Canada AM. Unfortunately we were not one of the four chosen communities to be featured on Canada AM, but the DVD will be ready in time for Christmas and will be on sale in the community stores and on the website.

9. Next Meeting

Monday, October 16, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

9. Adjournment