

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

MINUTES

Monday, September 19, 2016

In attendance: Luc Picknell, Anne-Marie Potvin, Ross Bradley, Chris MacPherson, Tom Devecseri and Ray Vetter. Fred Hyde joined the meeting in the last half hour.

1. Additional agenda items and approval of agenda. Moved by Luc Picknell and seconded by Bob Price that the agenda be approved with one addition. Carried.

2. Approval of minutes of the last meeting of June 20, 2016. Moved by Luc and seconded by Anne-Marie that the minutes be adopted as read. Carried.

3. Outstanding Business

4. Communications and Announcements

5. Reports

5.1 Treasurer – Dale Borys

Dale is on holiday but Chris was pleased to report that she had handed over the money from the new Nifty-Fifty Fit class. 27 members are now registered giving the NCA a profit of \$6440.00.

5.2 Public Relations – Sara Ericsson

Sara has stated that she no longer wishes to be in charge of the Nugget so it will be taken over by Tom with the help of a graphic artist. He is now waiting for a list of the business cards from Sara. Bob noted that Fred St. Pierre is still down as the Safety Committee member both on the website and in the Nugget. Bob will e-mail Kevin with the change and Tom will take care of the information in the Nugget. Anne-Marie noted that Sheila will be having a contest regarding Navan notables in the upcoming issue.

5.3 Social Media – Kevin Woodward

5.4 Horticulture – Anne-Marie Potvin

It was noted that the flowerbeds are still looking very good. Anne-Marie pointed out that Home Hardware now has the new 150th tulip bulbs in stock and these will be planted in the village flowerbeds for next spring.

5.5 Membership, NCC and Mer Blue update – Ray Vetter

- Ray reported that the NCA now has 134 members and John Bradley is doing a members drive at the store which started september15th.

- Ray noted that the application to the Friends of Mer Bleu for operations money has been granted to us in the amount of \$3,000.00. With the changes in Not for Profit organizations a review of the by-laws should be undertaken to ensure we are in compliance. There is an opportunity for the NCA to collaborate with other Community associations in the defined FoMB grant area which will provide an opportunity to apply for funding on a yearly basis. Ray also brought forward our commitment to write a letter in of support for the Vintage Stock theatre.

5.6 Safety – Bob Price

Bob noted that he has only received one e-mail in the last 3 months from residents in response to his monthly column in the Nugget. He offered to assist in any way with the upcoming Fallfest. Ray will check with Fred to see where help is needed.

5.7 Parks and Recreation – Luc Picknell

Luc reported that the City recently fixed the bottom of the fence on the tennis court. New combination locks were also installed.

October 22nd is the set up date for the rink.

5.8 Navan Park Memorial Park/Remembrance Day – Ross Bradley/Kenda St. Amour

Ross presented a very comprehensive, written outline of progression of the new improvements to the Cenotaph and surrounding area. 7 red maples will be planted by Laporte's in the vicinity of the Cenotaph and surrounding area. This will also include the completion of an interlock walkway and installation of a plaque honouring our fallen soldiers. Mention was also made of the revised application requesting a grant (\$21,600) for the NCA's Canada 150 project being sent to the Friends of Mer Bleue Inc. Community Fund. Ross also noted that the first meeting for the upcoming Remembrance Day ceremony is slated for Sept. 27th.

5.9 City business – Stephen Blais/Philip Berthiaume

Phil reported that the walkway north of the wetlands is in the final stages of investigation. Ray reported that the 150th fund application closed on September 15th for interpretive trail. This is still in the planning stages and they are running preliminary numbers.

A request will be made by Phil for the speed monitor to be brought back to town to take readings on Trim Road, both coming in and going out of town.

After reading an article in the Citizen about the possibility of the City closing some arenas, Phil assured us that Navan was not on the closure list.

Chris also asked about an article on the rumour of the closing of the Prescott-Russell trail but evidently this was just the idea of one council member outside of the Ottawa area.

Ross announced that the Royal Bank has stated it will be closing the Navan branch in April.

Discussion took place about whether the NCA should intervene but it was decided that maybe an article could be placed in the Nugget informing residents of the decision, but the NCA should remain neutral.

5.10 150th – Ray Vetter and Fred Hyde

Ray reported plans are rolling along nicely. A number of events have been confirmed and they will be posted on the website and also around town. The Street dance is confirmed for the 17th of June with the Bike Rally on the 18th. Wyatt McWilliams has also approached the committee about putting on a parade prior to the street dance. This would be an educational event showing our rural roots.

6. New Business

7. Adjournment