

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

MINUTES

Monday, March 21, 2011

11 In attendance

1. **Additional agenda items and approval of agenda. Moved by Ray Vetter and seconded by Dale Borys that the agenda be approved with additions. Carried.**
2. **Approval of minutes of the last meeting of February 21, 2011. Moved by Ray Vetter and seconded by Dale Borys that the minutes be adopted with amendments. Carried.**
3. **Outstanding Business**

150th Anniversary

Anne-Marie reported that the flags are on order and should be up by end of April. The Golf Tournament will be held on 25th June in Hammond

Signage

Ray and Fred looked at the town signs. The overall impression was that they were very tired looking due to sun exposure. The signs on Trim and Smith are really faded. Mustang and Navan road are not as bad. Colonial road needs a few screws. The posts need a little work and painting. Website signs are peeling badly. Fifty horse hitch logo was hand painted and decisions need to be made regarding repainting. Need to look into the archives to find out who made the original signs. Chris and Dale will look back in the records to find out who the original maker was and report back to Ray and Fred.

Float

Ray will look into the rules regarding floats. He already has a commitment for a tractor to haul a potential float.

4. Communications and Announcements

- **CRC Bulletin**
- **F.U.N. Membership**

5. Reports

5.1 Treasurer – Dale Borys

Dale prepared an informal accounting of what we have in our accounts. \$68,000 in the bank as of today. Ongoing revenue is coming in from dances, and sale of 150th items

5.2 Public Relations – Margaret MacNeill

Virginia Lowe was on hand as she will be taking over the *Nuggett* from Marg. She is just now finishing up this month's edition. There are now 57 supporters advertising and the cost of production from April 2010 until March 2011 was \$856.32. NCA, Lions and Agricultural Society split the costs. Marg would like to increase the cost to advertisers to \$50.00 per year for business cards as of June 1st so NCA does not have to pick up the cost. Ross commented that Residents in Bearbrook and Canary (about 150 households) would like to receive the *Nuggett* by mail but Dale suggested this would not be cost effective. Ray offered to take some out to the Bearbrook Golf course and residents could pick them up there, or alternatively Chris suggested they could access the *Nuggett* on line.

5.3 **Web Master – Don St. Denis**

The consensus was that new website is very good with a more modern look and feel but it is still a work in progress. Discussion took place regarding who would

be monitoring the web as we are not in favour of an open site. Tom is in charge of this project and we need him to get back to the committee. Don needs all bills to go to Dale in future. Don will look into changing these fees.

5.4 Horticulture – Anne-Marie Potvin – no report

5.5 Urban/Rural Liaison – Phil Grandmaitre – no report

5.6 Membership, NCC and Mer Blue update – Ray Vetter

- Ray wanted to remind members that the grant process closes in May for BFI.
- NCC Update – Ray recently received communication from them regarding a transportation impact study on infrastructure but he has not had time to fully study it.
- Nothing has been received on Carl's Sanitation. The interim bylaw is set to expire in May and a meeting is being planned.
- Membership drive – Fees will continue to be \$5.00 per voting member and Ray hopes to sell some more 5 year memberships (\$20.00) and lifetime memberships (\$50.00). Ray will make a list of all obligations that need funding including the Cenotaph, signage and also a short list of all the accomplishments of the NCA, to have on hand at membership initiatives.

5.7 Transportation – Chris MacPherson – no report

5.8 Safety – Fred St. Pierre – no report

5.9 Youth Dances – Tom Devecseri

Dale report that 85 youth showed up at the last dance. Stan Kowala from Hockeyville committee was on hand with some prizes. Police showed up this time and spent about half an hour.

5.10 Park Plan – Emmanuelle Grandmaitre

Emmanuelle reported that the shade shelter cannot be installed yet due to the fact that the shelter received by the supplier may not match the concrete pad. This may entail ordering a new shelter so she is not expecting anything to be in place until the ground thaws and is dry (possibly in May). Friends of Mer Bleu funded this and wanted an opening in the spring so Emmanuelle will have to get back to them. Emmanuelle stated that the NCA should not have to pay for any land damage due to the installation of the shade shelter. Emmanuelle stated she is willing to accept the role of Parks and Recreation Director and has already attended a meeting with other rural residents. She feels this role will be an important one as she will be able to learn of, and report on, any City initiatives available to residents of our area.

5.11 Cenotaph Project – Ross Bradley

- Ross presented his written and financial reports for the year. Still have sponsorship plaques to be erected. **Motion by Ross Bradley that the NCA cenotaph account remain open. Seconded by Ray Vetter. Carried.**
- Ross met with Steve Kerfoot from the Arena requesting that snow dumping from the Arena's snow plowing operations not occur on the land made available to the Cenotaph and Veterans Memorial Park. This has been agreed to.

- Ross would like to let his name stand for Director of the Cenotaph Committee which would also encompass the Remembrance Day Service.
- 5.12 Petrie Island – Fred Hyde
Fred reported that a consultant they hired to do a study will be giving his report on March 30th.

5.13 **City Business – Stephen Blais/John Shea**

- John reported that there will be a City policy for no ATVs on new trail. All gates will be padlocked during the spring, summer and fall.
- Transit Commission will be meeting tomorrow and all changes will be presented. Route 231 should be left in tact.
- Budget was approved with a 2.4% tax increase
- Survey of land has been undertaken determining what areas are owned by the Navan Curling club and CTAS. It is hoped to pave the curling club parking lot up to the park at a proposed cost of \$58,000.00. This could be funded through a major capital programme where the city would match any monies raised by the CTAS and Navan Curling Club. Paving of the circle would be above the \$58,000.00 proposed budget. A proposal will be put forward by September.

6. New Business

- **Trail Opening/Bicycle Rally**
David Grattan conducted a power point presentation on the proposed bicycle rally to be held on the new city trail. He wants to create a committee with representatives from each club. Fred volunteered. A date for the rally will be set at that time. John Shea is hoping to have a definite date from the City for the trail opening in the near future and perhaps this could be co-ordinated with the Bicycle Rally.
- **Request from Minor Baseball**
A request has been made to put in a portable potty from May until August.
Motion by Anne-Marie Potvin and seconded by Chris MacPherson to put in a portable potty at a cost of \$75.00 per month. Carried.
- **Rural Land Use Meeting**
A meeting will take place on March 26 at the Navan Curling club from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Members are encouraged to attend.
- **AGM**
The Annual General Meeting will take place on April 18th 2011 and directors will be elected at that time.

7. Adjournment