

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

**MINUTES**

Monday, March 19, 2012

In attendance: Phil Grandmaitre, Anne Warburton, Fred Hyde, Virginia Lowe, Ross Bradley, Anne-Marie Potvin, Ray Vetter and Fred St. Pierre

1. **Additional agenda items and approval of agenda. Moved by Anne Warburton and seconded by Fred Hyde that the agenda be adopted with additions. Carried.**
2. **Approval of minutes of the last meeting of February 20, 2012. Moved by Anne Warburton and seconded by Virginia Lowe that the minutes be adopted as read. Carried.**
3. **Outstanding Business**
  - **Advertising rates for Nugget**

This item was deferred to next meeting as Dale Borys who had been doing some background work on this item, was not in attendance.
4. **Communications and Announcements**
  - **2012 Spring Cleaning the Capital**

It was suggested that the two dates of **April 27 and April 29** be printed in the *Nugget*
  - **Rural Affairs information – sent by E-mail to all members**
5. **Reports**
  - 5.1 Treasurer – Dale Borys
  - 5.2 Public Relations – Virginia Lowe

Virginia reported that everything is going well with the *Nugget* and bi-monthly advertising is being encouraged. \$5,174.00 is the cost of production for the past year. \$3,782.00 was brought in from advertising, leaving \$1,411.74 to be covered by NCA, CTAS and Lions.
  - 5.3 Web Master – Anne Warburton

Anne reported that the new web page is going very well. Mike is posting information on the new Facebook page
  - 5.4 Horticulture – Anne-Marie Potvin

Anne-Marie is gearing up to plant flowers but is hoping to save money by putting in perennials from local gardens.
  - 5.5 Urban/Rural Liaison – Phil Grandmaitre
  - 5.6 Membership, NCC and Mer Blue update – Ray Vetter
    - Ray reported there was an NCC meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> and a huge workshop, with thousands of ideas being expressed. There will be one more meeting and then they will have the final plan. Ray does not expect to see anything radical in the report.
    - FOMB members doing an annual tour of the site on Navan road.
    - Ray sent a j.peg file of the drawing of the horses to Steven Blais' office to see if it could be used on the new sign. He was asked if it could be sent in pdf vector format and Ray will contact Mike Griffin in this regard. If this

does not work the original artists are still prepared to paint us another one for a cost of \$500.00

5.7 Transportation – Chris MacPherson

It was suggested that a permanent notice be placed in the Nugget concerning the weekly bus which goes to Orleans and St. Laurent. Chris will send such notice to Virginia.

5.8 Safety – Fred St. Pierre

- Fred reported that Delson is still in very poor condition but we do not see future paving until 2014.
- Ross is suggesting that maybe the City should install a “slow down/children playing” sign at Trim and Cemetery. Fred St. Pierre is looking into the suggestion of having the speed monitor erected at that spot and will look into this.

5.9 Youth Dances – Tom Devecseri

Ray reported there was a really good crowd at the last dance and no troubles were encountered. Ray would like to see recycle boxes at the dance for the cans. Fred suggested taking them to the scouts

5.10 Parks and Recreation – Emmanuelle Grandmaitre

Anne-Marie spoke to applying for a grant from BFI for plaques for park  
Fred St. P enquired as to status of the path which the City was supposed to fix.  
Phil will look into this

5.11 Navan Parc Memorial Park – Ross Bradley

5.12 Petrie Island – Fred Hyde

Fred reported that there was a rumour that the consultant’s report should be ready soon

5.13 City business – Stephen Blais

5.14 150<sup>th</sup> Committee – Anne-Marie Potvin

1 admission received for wall.

Unveiling of the plaques and maybe hotdogs scheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup> opening of the wall and town clock.

## 6. New Business

- **Twining with Ireland**

Marg has been in contact with Navan, Ireland is has learned that about 50 people will be coming here this summer. Also a group coming from New York who will meet them here. So far eight people had indicated their willingness to act as host families. The Irish group will also be bringing a TV crew with them to film. Marg will appeal in *Nugget* for volunteers to assist Marg with entertaining the visitors. They will be attending the opening of the fair on Thursday. Other suggestions were a one day tour of Navan with a meet and greet, a bus tour of Ottawa and Ray suggested a bus tour of the greenbelt may be an interesting event and will contact someone at NCC to see if a volunteer from their group would act as tour guide. This would be contingent on the school buses being secured at no cost to the NCC. John Bradley has also volunteered to take them on a pub crawl and Marg is looking into getting a bus from Bradleys. Marg has

also tried contacting the Irish Ambassador but, thus far, has not received a reply. It is hoped that the association between the two Navans can continue in further years with the Lions and other local organizations taking part. With this in mind, Marg is looking for a volunteer to take of the lead position.

- **Contribution to Time Capsule**  
Phil received E-mail about putting something into the one page history of the NCA. This will be need at the end of the month. Marg will look into it. Marg suggested putting a list of submitted items in the next *Nugget* to avoid duplication.
- **Community Garage Sale**  
Phil received an E-mail asking if we were doing a Community Garage Sale this year. Discussion took place and it was decided we will not be involved this year but suggest individuals do their own garage sales.
- **AGM – April 16, 2012**  
As next month is the annual meeting, Chris requested reports from all committees be submitted to her prior to the next meeting and also an indication as to who will sit on the NCA committee next year.
- **Street Dance**  
Marg reported that the City is short about \$10,000.00 - \$15,000.00 for the paving in front of the Curling Club so approached John Bradley about setting up a street dance. John contacted Ambush and they are available on June 16<sup>th</sup>. Marg is asking local organizations by E-mail if they are interested in taking part and supplying the necessary volunteers. **Motion for NCA to support the June 16<sup>th</sup> street dance moved by Anne-Marie and seconded by Chris. Carried.**

Mention was made by Anne Warburton about the announcement of the naming of a small park in Navan at the corner of Forest Lea and Sunnydale in the name of Syd and Verna Cotton.

Anne-Marie suggested a permanent spot in the *Nugget* for everything that is going on during the month.

## 7. Adjournment