

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

M I N U T E S

Monday, May 15, 2017

In attendance: Chris MacPherson, Dale Borys, , Ray Vetter, Fred Hyde, Anne Marie Potvin, Bob Price, Ross Bradley and a delegation of residents

- 1. Additional agenda items and approval of agenda. Moved by Bob Price and seconded by Anne-Marie Potvin that the agenda be adopted as read.**
- 2. Approval of minutes of the last meeting of April 18, 2017. Moved by**
- 3. Outstanding Business**
- 4. Communications and Announcements**
- 5. Reports**
 - 5.1 Treasurer – Dale Borys
Dale presented Statement of Fundraising Activities. Will present more detailed reports at next meeting.
 - 5.2 Public Relations – Tom Devecseri
 - 5.3 Social Media – Kevin Woodward
 - 5.4 Horticulture – Anne-Marie Potvin
Anne-Marie needs money for flowers and she will present Dale with the cost.
 - 5.5 Membership, NCC and Mer Blue update – Ray Vetter
Ray stated that yearly and some of the 5 year memberships are up in June. Friends of Mer Bleue need application for administration grants. It was suggested that maybe we should budget money for administration of the website. Please Answer Phil on your needs for money for projects.
 - 5.6 Safety – Bob Price
June 8, 15 and 22nd need security presence for these three dates and this has been looked after. Insurance will be with the City Community Insurance Association.
 - 5.7 Parks and Recreation – Luc Picknell
There is now a new committee member for tennis, Chad has volunteered to take over from Sue. Lock on tennis courts is rusted shut. Ray will follow up with Luc re new lock.
 - 5.8 Navan Park Memorial Park/Remembrance Day – Ross Bradley/Kenda St. Amour
Ross is looking at obtaining money for sign to be placed at Maple Tree at entrance to Arena.
 - 5.9 City business – Stephen Blais/Philip Berthiaume
Stephen reported that there is a clean up project taking place in flooded areas and he thanked us for the pledges.
Trash in – trash out took place on April 29th.
37 culverts are being worked on. Dunning Road is being resurfaced and evaluation is taking place on Frank Kenney. Two sections of Renaud will be getting paved this year. Work is also ongoing on a cycling circuit in Cumberland. There was report of a bear sighting between Navan and Vars. If you see it, do not approach but Call Ministry of Natural Resources. Two tours of Cumberland

Agri 150 coming up. All on Ottawa 150 website.

5.10 150th – Ray Vetter and Fred Hyde

The Canada 150 projects in Navan are progressing very nicely with four of the ten planned events now completed

The last two trees have been planted as part of the Cenotaph enhancement project. They were planted last week along the boulevard in front of the arena, on the south side of Colonial Road. Ross would like to add a plaque in front of the Arena, describing the project. He will get a quotation and Dale will see what monies can be scrapped up. It may be possible to go back to The Friends of Mer Bleu with an additional grant request. The WI have installed the banners along Trim and Colonial Roads.

The Navan Fine Art Group have held their show and sale and collected well over their objective of 150 pair of shoes for the Shoe Bank.

The ACW held their Village Tea, last Saturday, and from all reports it was quite successful.

The Music in the Park series, Parade, Street Dance, Bicycle Rally and Shakespeare in the Park are yet to come.

Since all remaining events are well underway with their planning, the committee has decided to halt meeting unless something new is proposed.

6. New Business

6.1 Presentation on the Pond Issue

A well documented and researched presentation against the wetlands was given by Daniel Charron and Cheryle Houle, members of the Navan Landowners Association. Their main concern was that the proposed site would be designated a “wetlands” and properties surrounding the proposed site would be subject to a decrease in property value and limitations on what residents were allowed to do on their lands. Councillor Stephen Blais stated that no such application has been made by the City to the province to redesignate this land and that it would remain as it is today as parkland/recreation area. He also pointed out that parkland and community enhancements projects like this have been known to increase property value and that there will be no further wetland designation and the area outside Navan is not a provincially significant wetland. Some residents suggested that the NCA had asked for this project in the first place but Fred Hyde went on record as stating that the NCA never made application to the City or the South Nations for this project. A presentation was also given by a resident of Goulbourn outlining his problems with wetlands designation in the western half of the city. A more comprehensive plan by the South Nations will be given on June 7 at the Navan Arena and residents are encouraged to attend with their concerns and ideas. Stephen Blais also welcomes opinions and ideas through his e-mail at Stephen.blais@ottawa.ca and a decision on the project will be made after taking all concerns into consideration.

7. Adjournment