

Directors' Meeting Minutes
Centreville District Community Development Association
Monday, November 30, 2015, at 7:00 pm

Attendance:

Executive: Merv Steadman Marilyn Kennedy Anne-Marie Waterbury	Directors: Peggy Sheffield Doug Brown Jack Waterbury George Graves	Absent: Ted Davidson David Briggs
		Regrets: Kim Foote

Other: Pauline Raven, Councillor District 3

Call to Order: President Merv Steadman called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm.

Approval of Agenda: It was moved by Marilyn and seconded by Doug that the agenda be approved as circulated.
Motion carried.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Peggy moved and Jack seconded that the minutes of the October meeting be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Anne-Marie sent a thank-you note to Auto Trim for their donation of signs.

A letter was received from the municipality's Planning Department requesting names of members of the Area Advisory Committee (AAC).

Treasurer's Report: Marilyn moved the adoption of her report; Jack seconded. Motion carried.

News from the Municipality: Pauline provided updates on topics of interest to our community:

- Changes in traffic signage at the intersection of Sherman Belcher Road and Lakewood Road because of safety concerns;
- The Municipality's current review of district boundaries and election-related issues; and
- Cancellation of building plans for the new Municipal Complex and possible alternatives.

Lighting tax and recreational land in Ellsworth Estates will be addressed under the agenda.

Merv raised the question of a 'Green Fund' or such that was instituted to collect monies donated by developers in lieu of allocating recreational space in new subdivisions: he wonders if it is still in existence and, if it is, what its current status is. Pauline is unaware of this fund, and will find out what she can. She suspects it is a reserve fund. Councilors recently received a list of the county's reserved funds, as there was a suggestion they be put into the building fund for the new complex. She will forward a copy of the list to us.

Directors' Reports:

Web Site: No report available in David's absence. As our web-hosting contract is soon to expire, it is time to consider alternatives as discussed at the February 2015 meeting. At that time Anne-Marie corresponded with Robin Crouch as initiated by Pauline. As she recommends him highly, Anne-Marie will get in touch with him.

Centre Post: The deadline for submissions is tomorrow. Pauline suggested that an article on climate change, and what individual's can do, would be appropriate. Anne-Marie will look into it.

Hall Association: Nothing to report at this time.

Good Neighbour Club: Marilyn reported that 226 were served at November's Big Breakfast, for a profit of \$1055. Several of us who worked at the breakfast told of the many positive comments received from first-time attendees. Also, a lot of positive feedback was received regarding the Fuel Supper.

Baptist Church: Peggy reported that Judy Saunders is the interim minister. The after school program continues to operate. The refugees program is progressing and donations have been received from many sources, including the Municipality of Kings staff and the Town of Kentville.

Park Association: George told us about benches being made locally that might be suitable for the park. If the price is right, the funds donated by *The Centre Post* will be used to purchase them.

The gutting of the park's building was begun in preparation for the installation of accessible washrooms. The building contractor recommended several structural changes that should be made during the renovations. As these were not budgeted for, work is on hold while the committee waits to hear about additional grant money to complete the project. These changes provide an accessible washroom available to the public when the park is open. Ramps and the gazebo will be constructed in the spring. The project is being funded by a federal grant of \$22,000.

Unfinished Business:

NKEC Bursary: David sent a copy of the letter and envelope given to the recipient of the CDCDA Bursary. A copy will be filed. Concern was expressed re: the fact that we haven't heard from John Hodder, this year's recipient. Merv will contact David to see if any correspondence has been received from him, as we would like to ensure he receives the money. It was suggested the university be contacted for the information, but none of us was sure where he is going and David has his letter.

Speed Limit: Merv has not collected all the copies of the petition. He estimates about 300 people have signed. There was mention of some motor vehicle accidents that have happened recently in the immediate vicinity. Pauline suggested these be reported to those concerned with setting the speed limit, as it has been said at past meetings that they are unaware of accidents in the area.

Welcome to Centreville Sign: Doug hasn't picked up the sign yet; it will be stored in the hall's basement for the winter.

Centreville AAC: Beverley Greening has agreed to be a representative-at-large on the Area Advisory Committee (AAC). Names have been sent to Planning and Development Services, and at their December 1, 2015 meeting the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) recommended that Municipal Council appoint the following people:

- Responsible Organization Members (1-year terms): David Briggs and Ted Devison
- Citizen Members (2-year terms): Jim Hoyt and Beverley Greening

Community Park lot in Ellsworth Estates: Pauline has learned that this will be addressed during the 2050 planning process. The lot will be rezoned 'residential' and could then be sold. Proceeds would go to the municipality, but at that time the Park Association could apply for the funds.

Secondary Planning Strategy Review: As suggested in the past, starting in the new year this will be reviewed by the Board: time will be set aside after each meeting to discuss it.

Directors: Doug asked Harvey Hannah to join the Board of Directors, but he declined for medical reasons. Merv hasn't heard anything further from Mike Sweeney, who said he would decide by the end of the year.

Lighting Tax: Nothing further to report: unless we hear otherwise, the community will be granted a 'lighting tax holiday'. Item removed from Unfinished Business list.

Christmas Tree Lighting: Plans are well underway, with all necessary tasks delegated. The tree is in place, and Doug is looking for help decorating it Saturday morning, rain date Sunday afternoon. Merv will emcee, and hopefully someone from the Baptist church will lead the carols.

New Business: None

Adjournment: There being no further business, on motion of Marilyn and Peggy the meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne-Marie Waterbury

Recording Secretary