

Directors' Meeting Minutes
Centreville District Community Development Association
Thursday, February 25, 2016, at 7:00 pm

Attendance:

Executive:	Kim Foote	Directors:	Peggy Sheffield	Absent:	Ted Davison
	Marilyn Kennedy		Doug Brown		David Briggs
	Anne-Marie Waterbury		Jack Waterbury		
	Merv Steadman		George Graves	Regrets:	Pauline Raven, Councillor District 3

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

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

Minutes of Last Meeting: Anne-Marie stated she had forgotten to add Pauline's request for a follow-up letter to the Municipality regarding our letter of support for the Park Association's requested disposal of the lot in Ellsworth Estates. Jack moved and Kim seconded that the minutes of the January 2016 meeting be approved as amended. Motion carried.

Correspondence: A letter of support for the Park Association's request had never been sent, so Anne-Marie emailed Scott Quinn, Manager of Public Works, etc, requesting an update on the status of the lot in response to George's letter. Mr. Quinn replied that he did not have the letter, and asked for a copy. Pauline found a copy and forwarded it to him. There has been no further response to date, so it will be placed on the agenda for next month's meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Marilyn gave the financial report as of January 31, 2016. She moved the adoption of her report; Peggy seconded. Motion carried.

News from the Municipality: Pauline was unable to attend due to another commitment, but did send an update on municipal news via email - copy filed.

Of particular interest was news of the Municipal Economic Development Funds (MEDF) we applied for, unbeknownst to others at the time. Pauline sent an unexpected, almost-complete application form to Anne-Marie on February 1/16, which was the deadline for application. A considerable amount of scurrying by her, Anne-Marie, and George ensued, and the completed application was delivered to the Municipal Office that afternoon. The Committee of the Whole has recommended approval of the application, which will be voted on at the regular Council meeting on March 1/16. Funds requested are for the update of and training re: maintenance of the website, and repair of the hall sign. A copy of the grant application has been filed. Thanks to everyone who made this happen so quickly, especially Pauline for thinking of it and doing such a great job helping prepare it for submission.

Directors' Reports:

Web Site: Kim and Anne-Marie met with Robin Crouch on February 2/16 and learned some basics about updating and maintaining the new website. Kim was very keen to forge ahead, and a fair bit of planning of the site was done that day. There were both deletions and additions to the information on the old site, and there is now just one email address for all inquiries and/or submissions. Robin has been very helpful, and encourages questions. He also has set up the email so it is directed to Anne-Marie's computer and appears with her personal accounts. There has been a surprising amount of mail the past few weeks when one considers there was almost none the past year. Kim has been away, and does not yet have access to the site: Anne-Marie has been adding information and events, and believes the new site is ready to go live. She will send access info to Kim.

Anne-Marie moved and Marilyn seconded that Robin Crouch be asked to activate the new website on March 1/16; motion carried.

Board members are encouraged to have a good look at the site when it goes live, and suggest any changes/additions they think appropriate. An email was received from a real estate company, suggesting we include a link to houses for sale in the area. Members agreed we would not do this.

There is a page for the Park Association, which doesn't have any information on it. Kim will get in touch with Neil Price about having a brief summary of the association written, as well as their meeting minutes submitted for posting.

Centre Post: The next issue is due out in March, with Suzanne Trudeau responsible. She will start the training process with Darlene Muise, our newest volunteer. Darlene has not yet purchased the publishing program.

Marilyn is concerned because she still has not received the bill for the printing of the December issue from Ink Spot, and has been unable to contact them. Anne-Marie will try to get in touch with them.

Anne-Marie will submit something about the updated website.

Hall Association: Doug reported that there has not been a meeting for some time, but one would be scheduled soon to discuss a new sign. The sign has undergone temporary repairs: It is hoped that groups that use the sign will contribute to the replacement cost, which has not yet been determined.

Members of the committee are aware the Good Neighbour Club would like to have the kitchen updated, and Merv suggested representatives attend their next meeting and present the club's proposals. Marilyn, who is on the club's kitchen committee, agreed.

Good Neighbour Club: Marilyn reported that numbers were down slightly for this month's Big Breakfast, which marked the tenth anniversary. As mentioned above, the club wants to update the kitchen and has been getting quotes from contractors and for equipment. Plans are not yet finalized, and would need the Hall Committee's approval before renovations could proceed. Merv suggested the Hall Association could apply for a grant to help with the costs if it is decided to go ahead.

Baptist Church: Peggy reported on activities at the church. The refugee family has been approved and is awaiting a plane that has room for all eight family members to come at the same time. In from the Cold is still on Wednesday nights, with 2-3 people taking advantage of a warm place to sleep. The Clothing Give-a-Way is scheduled for April 15th, and the Quilt Show will be held May 6th and 7th. Other activities include Alpha Course, Lenten lunches, and a movie night.

Park Association: George gave an update on the building project at the park: it is almost complete, with washrooms to be hooked up soon. The donation received from the *Centre Post* will be used to purchase four benches. He gave an update on where new structures will be located in the park. Plans are underway for the summer day camps.

Unfinished Business:

Speed Limit: Merv spoke to John Lohr recently about this: the Legislative Assembly will not resume its sitting until after March Break, at which time Mr. Lohr will present the petition.

Secondary Planning Strategy Review: This was discussed again, and it was decided that a meeting to begin reviewing this would be held April 14/16 at 7:00 at the Hall. As several members are unsure if they have a copy of the plan, Anne-Marie will have some copies made for the meeting.

Data/Web Provider: Anne-Marie reported that usage data for our new website would be available.

New Business: None

Adjournment: There being no further business, on motion of Marilyn and Peggy the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday March 24, 2016, at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne-Marie Waterbury, Secretary