Directors' Meeting Minutes

Centreville District Community Development Association

Thursday, Oct 22/15, at 7:00 pm

Attendance:

Executive: Merv Steadman Directors: Peggy Sheffield Absent: Kim Foote

Marilyn Kennedy Doug Brown Ted Davidson
Anne-Marie Waterbury Jack Waterbury George Graves
Pauline Raven

Regrets: David Briggs

Call to Order: President Merv Steadman called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Approval of Agenda: It was moved by Marilyn and seconded by Doug that the agenda be approved as circulated. Motion carried. Anne-Marie pointed out some minor changes in the format of the agenda, e.g. 'Unfinished Business' in place of 'Business Arising'.

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

Correspondence:

Board Membership: Anne-Marie reported she had contacted Helen MacDonald re: her nomination to the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting, as she was not present at the meeting to respond. Helen has graciously declined the nomination at this time, but expressed an interest in attending a meeting as a community member if permitted by her schedule. A copy of the email has been filed.

Light tax: Anne-Marie received an email from Pauline requesting a letter be sent to Shawn West, Manager of Finance, regarding the light tax. This will be discussed under Unfinished Business.

Treasurer's Report: Marilyn gave her report and moved its adoption; Doug seconded. Motion carried.

News from the Municipality: No report in Pauline's absence.

Directors' Reports:

- **Web Site:** Regrets from David: no report available. Anne-Marie reminded those present of our decision to have the minutes of these Board Meetings posted on the web site: for further discussion.
- **Centre Post:** Anne-Marie reported that the next issue would be published in December, with December 1st the deadline for submissions.
- **Hall Association:** Doug reported that there have been some issues with determining the optimum settings for the new heat pumps; there was general agreement that it will take some time and experimentation to determine the ideal settings for the greatest comfort for the greatest number of people. Marilyn, who has heat pumps in her home, offered some suggestions. The parking lot was leveled and the potholes filled to the edge of the road, for a cost of \$250.
- **Good Neighbour Club:** There was no Big Breakfast in October because of the Fuel Supper, to be held October 24/15: the next breakfast will be held November 21st. The club is considering renovations to the old kitchen, and is in the process of gathering information regarding options.
- **Baptist Church:** Peggy reported that a farewell gathering for Marc Potvin will be held November 1st, 3-5 pm, at the church. All are welcome to attend. The search for an interim pastor continues; youth leaders have been found. There will be a Clothing Give-Away on October 30th and a women's retreat October 31st. Sponsorship of a Somali refugee family of eight (8) has been approved and they will be living in Kentville. There are six (6) children, the eldest being 13, who have lived in refugee camps all their lives.

Park Association: George absent: no report.

Unfinished Business:

NKEC Bursary: David emailed that he would get the past applications to me for storage soon.

Speed Limit: Merv plans to take his petition to the 50-Plus group to give members the opportunity to sign it. He will then take it to John Lohr, MLA, who will take it directly to the House of Assembly.

Welcome to Centreville Sign: Doug reported that it is ready, but he hasn't picked it up yet from Auto Trim. As that particular sign, on Hwy 359 at the base of the mountain, suffers winter snowplow damage, Doug recommended it not be installed until spring.

Jack moved and Peggy seconded that the new Welcome to Centreville sign at the base of the mountain on Hwy 359 not be installed until next spring and that in the future it be removed every fall to avoid winter damage and reinstalled in the spring. Motion carried.

It was agreed that Anne-Marie send a thank-you note to Auto Trim.

Centreville APAC: Pauline had contacted someone to serve on this committee: no report available. It was agreed that Anne-Marie send a letter to Trish Javorek at the Municipality stating the current membership and provide the final name as soon as it is determined.

Community Park lot in Ellsworth Estates: No one present to report.

Secondary Planning Strategy Review: In view of the small number present, discussion deferred.

Directors: Merv has not heard from Mike Sweeney re: his interest in returning to the Board. Doug will get in touch with Harvey Hannah and ask him if he is interested.

Lighting Tax: Anne-Marie sent an email to Shawn West, Director of Finance, on October 19/15, requesting that community members be given a 'light tax holiday' as per the motion made at our September meeting. A copy of the letter has been filed. No reply has been received as yet but Pauline Raven, in an email sent the same day, states: "I'm told by Shawn he can handle this without it going to council... that it is strictly administrative and will be rolled into next year's tax schedule as you have requested. If I hear differently I will let you know."

New Business:

Check signing: Authority for signing checks needs to be revised to reflect the changed executive. Anne-Marie will prepare a letter for Merv to take to the bank, designating him instead of David as a co-signer.

Christmas Tree Lighting: Will be held December 7/15. It is hoped Kim will help organize refreshments. Doug will contact her. It was also suggested we ask members of the Good Neighbour Club to make cookies, as our Board has so few members: Anne-Marie and/or Marilyn will bring this up at the next GNC meeting. An emcee will be needed - Merv will see who he can find; Peggy will find someone to lead the carol singing.

Marilyn moved and Doug seconded that we ask Pauline Raven to light the tree lights. Motion carried.

Merv will contact her.

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

Next Meeting: Thursday November 26, 2015 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Anne-Marie Waterbury, Recording Secretary