



Clairfields Neighbourhood Group
Thursday, Nov. 22, 2007. 7:00 pm

Agenda:

Newsletter – Jan 08 edition
Festival of Lights
Shriner donation
Schneider & Cargill, TD grant applications
Volunteer Recognition
Winterfest
Presentation to Council

Present; Fernanda Svaikaukas, Lynda Dennis, Todd Dennis, Ian Robson, Scott Dezell,
Shandana Kazim, Nancy Kielar – District Community Coordinator

1. Approval of the minutes:
#8 – paving – only one section done, seems to be piece meal – should we be advocating for full paving- if they grade everything this should resolve the problem – wait to see

Approved by consensus
2. City of Guelph Council – The South End Rec Centre was on City Council's 11/19/07 agenda, listing Todd as a speaker. The item being addressed was the same report presented to the ECO committee in September and Todd gave a presentation at that time. Councillor Billings listed him as a delegation. Unfortunately, Todd was not notified, and was out of the country on vacation. City Council deferred until 12/17/07. We could have a number of people speaking on different issues each to make a combined presentation.
- 3.. Festival of Lights
– everything is on schedule
– Lynda will update the flyer,
– deliver door to door will need volunteers
– Nancy to put into the Trib.
– Post winners in the next newsletter
– Will not have a social event to present prizes
4. Youth Drop In
- first one Dec 8
- Flyers to schools to grades 3+,
- need to bring own equipment
- Need to complete registration forms
- Volunteers need to be screened
- Fernanda to check in with the Janitor for opening on the Sunday
5. Newsletter – need a few articles, may be short on advertising, will use community funds to cover the shortfall if necessary.
6. Schriners – use the money to buy equipment for youth – indoor games, community building events

7. Grants – Cargill – Todd sent in the application and has received confirmation that it has been received
 - Friends of the Environment – was shared at November NSC Finance, they were asking for clarification of what CNG is interested in funding. Consensus - purchasing trees, Nancy to send email to groups set date to respond by
 - Schneider D – put in for \$25, 000

8. Winterfest
 - planning meeting – members present not able to attend – Todd to reply interested in participating
 - see if Paul Spindler, Tracy or Brigid to take a lead
 - partner with Sir Isaac Brock
 - Sunday Feb 3

9. NSC Coalition meeting
 - curious about the minutes what is the problem, what is the resolution?
 - interesting that they felt it was important to send the minutes but not an invitation. Have been participating and bringing things to the table, funds, presentations to council.
 - People taking lead invited to share the concerns to Connecting

10. ECO Committee–Todd going to support NSC presentation to request an increase in funds

11. NSC AGM
 - Todd planning to attend, everyone is welcome to attend Wednesday December 12th 5:00 at the River Run
 - guest speaker will be talking about engaging civic participation

12. Volunteer Recognition
 - Business recognition – Plaques - \$25.00 each
 - Present to and take photo for the January newsletter
 - Salvation Army, McKinnon, Allstate will be the recipients this year

 - Individuals – need to start keeping a record so we can do something at the end of the year, thank you in the newsletter for 2007

13. Fire side Chat
 - went really well, very positive, lot of council members did not know what the NSC is and does, some did not know about Neighbourhood Groups

Next meeting set for early January after checking availability of people for Winterfest

- planning Winterfest
- newsletters to be distributed