

Clairfields Neighbourhood Group
Community Meeting August 22, 2005
Salvation Army Church

Present: Scott Dezell, Lynda Dennis, Todd Dennis, Ian Robson, Sarah Robson, Gavin Neelson, Linda Neelson, Wayne Hong, Nancy Kielar – City of Guelph.

Regrets: Brigid Porter, Tracey Clark

From the July 28th meeting:

1. Review of the minutes – St Peter’s School should read St Paul’s
2. Grass cutting, water pooling due to the cloth blocking the road drains and dangerous curbs – Nancy will send an email to Jim to see if he has had any progress. If you have a street water drain pooling on your street Sarah will collect the info so one request can be brought forward. You can reach Sarah at [Sarah at Sarah.m.robson@sympatico.ca](mailto:Sarah.m.robson@sympatico.ca)
3. Childcare – We really need to find a solution as each month a few people identify that they are unable to attend due to childcare barriers. Wayne will take a leadership role in touching base with Salvation Army
4. Drop in at the Park – a few families have taken advantage of meeting up at Gosling Gardens. The construction at Nick’s Dragonfly park have made it challenging as it is not appealing for the families to go with workers and not all the equipment available.
5. Web site – Nancy will send the minutes to be put on the web. Ian will work on some other items through September.

New Business:

1. Traffic was the main topic of this meeting. We reviewed the list of concerns generated at the April 26th meeting and discussed ideas to address them. Members noted that a number of concerns have improved on their own due to the timing of the construction on Clair Road.

Traffic Concern	Ideas
-large truck traffic through the community	-no longer a concern – additional stop sign at Paulstown has curbed through traffic
-lights needed for crossing at Bishop Mac	-resolved
-enforcing stops - there are no stop bars painted on the road so drivers do not have the visual cues to stop -members felt that the new stop ahead signs were not up long enough	-Scott will contact Brent Eden the Police representative for the Neighbourhood Support Coalition and ask for the Police to come out and ticket offenders -can the community be consulted regarding the street markings and timelines?

- need to slow drivers down	- in another community signs that look like murals have put up showing images of people being active in the community – this shows that you need to be aware for the people, the signs showed adults pushing strollers, children on bikes, people walking dogs, children playing -how can we educate people about the impacts to the community? -need the entrance ways to the community reestablished at Gordon and Clair again reminding people you are entering a neighbourhood – it was removed there is an expectation that it would remain there, how do we get it back?
-crosswalk needed at Clairfields and Jean Anderson Clairfields and Keys	
-streetlights on Clair along bus route	-resolved
-missing sidewalks	-they are getting done as houses are being built, just need to wait for the residential construction to be completed
-curb cuts	-Betty Richard put the request for this concern to be addressed in both the Public Works budget and Parks budget
-parking on the streets	-people felt that this is not as much an issue as people have been able to clean out their garages and park both inside and on their driveways
-signage for in the area of the seniors building	-will there be signs letting drivers know about the higher concentration of seniors?

2. Correspondence

- Nancy will be keeping the official records for the group at this time
- Consensus was reached to cc Nancy on emails that are being sent on behalf of the group so that she can keep a copy for documentation purposes

3. Follow up for Fall Fiesta

Brainstorming	Action – follow up
Where: Bishop Mac	Scott – reached the Principal he has asked Scott to contact him after Aug 25th
When: Oct 29 – 1 – 4 pm	
Scouts to help with programming – there are no Scout groups in the area	

Volunteers from Bishop Mac	Lise – had volunteered to follow up - Nancy will send a reminder email
Promotion Tribune Schools(St Paul's, Sir Issac Brock, BM) send out a flyer and put in newsletter Make a flyer	Nancy Tracey Sarah
Info booth about the group Nancy can provide a display board to use	
Decorate or carve pumpkins at home to be judged at event Ask Storm or Magic if they would do the judging	Scott
Pumpkins –will have some smaller ones and paint for a children's activity	Linda – pumpkins Nancy – paint Wayne – paint t-shirts Gavin – corporate sponsorship
Apples available for sale – ask if they will take excess back	Linda
Refreshments Cider MacDonald's orange - \$50 deposit enough for 50 drinks Cookies – BoDee Sweets 7lbs cookies for \$10.00	Linda Sarah
Name tags for everyone to put name and street on	
Invite Spike from the Storm	Scott
Horse – info and display – two options – group gives Robin the go ahead to plan whatever she thinks will be best for the children and families	Robin
Face tattoo stamping kit	Nancy
Coloring contest	
Magic FM	Scott
Parachute games	Nancy
Collect donations of food for Salvation Army	Wayne
Pumpkin bean bag toss	Nancy
Police – will try to have something there	Nancy
Fire – hazard house and truck – will try to be there for at least one hour	Nancy
Email everyone to recruit help	Nancy
Prizes – Any one that has leads are asked to follow up to ask about donating prizes for next meeting McKinnon Truck Lines City of Guelph swim passes City of Guelph amusement ride passes Apply for community use of the City of Guelph Storm box	Everyone Todd Nancy Nancy Nancy send application to Scott Scott to complete and send in

Budget Need to create at next meeting School costs – rental and custodian Food Children’s activities prizes	
Logo contest Have a logo contest for the Neighbourhood group	Nancy will send Scott the material that the NSC created when they had their contest.
Volunteers – need to generate a chart of tasks that volunteers are needed for and then send out an email asking for support	

Nancy will send Sarah the distribution list and the street rep list so that she can send information out once it is complete.

Next “Fall Fiesta” meeting September 13th 7:00 pm at 48 Paulstown – rsvp please Sarah.m.robson@sympatico.ca

Next regular meeting: September 27th 7:00 pm Salvation Army Church

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