



Clairfields Neighbourhood Group
Royal on Gordon - library
Thursday June 25, 2009 7:00 to 8:35 pm

Present: Lynda Dennis, Todd Dennis, Ian Robson, Sarah Robson, Scott Dezell, Brigid Porter
Regrets:

1. May 28 minutes were approved.
2. The July edition of the Clairfields Quarterly is at the printers, and is being picked up tomorrow.
3. SECC & SEESS updates
 - Nothing much new. Tenders have been received. Groundbreaking still scheduled for early fall.
4. Fall Fiesta
 - Saturday, September 26, 09. 1 to 4 pm at Bishop Mac.
 - Scott will contact the school, police & fire, and the pumpkin supplier.
 - Todd will contact MacKinnon, and Fusion. Todd will contact Councilor Karl Wettstein to see if the city wants to set up a table to supply people with information on SEESS, as they are due to break ground about that time.
 - Todd will contact Nancy regarding pumpkin decorations, and Fusion for a bouncy castle.
 - We will have tables for local businesses again.
 - No Project Serve volunteers this year, as they are only available on the morning of October 3rd this year.
5. Speed River Clean up - Scott got a late call and participated this year.
6. Ice Cream Social – First one went very well. We have chosen July 18, 09, from 3 to 5 pm as our next date. As we won't have the bouncy castle, we will advertise it as a meet and greet, and enjoy an ice cream.
7. Adult get together – Carol was not in attendance, but the date has been set for July 13, 09 at Borealis. We encourage members of the core group to attend, and bring some neighbours.
8. Officers – Lynda has agreed to take on the Treasurer duties until everything is back current. We do require a volunteer to take on this duty.
9. Lynda presented a letter from Rob Case of the GIRC regarding rain barrels. He wants to work with community groups in order to give more opportunities for people to purchase barrels. The group thinks that we should email him to recommend that he could possibly set up in Bishop Mac's parking lot during Fall Fiesta. We would give notification on our website and in the flyer to help support the effort.
10. We had an email from a resident regarding fence design covenants where property meets the water catchment areas. Ian responded with links to pertinent city websites.

The resident responded that he contacted the city and seems to be getting conflicting reports.

11. Brigid had the following items:

- She continues to investigate the foreign language item that we want to use in the Quarterly. So far, she has not received a response from Tyler or Nancy.
- A sample of Kortright Hills School newsletter was presented. We need to get our information in the school newsletters. She will continue working on this.
- She presented a sample of the Insight Guelph newspaper pullout entitled “Take it Outside”. The trails and bike paths presented by city staff appear to be inaccurate in at least one area of the south end.
- The park in Conservation Estates has not been maintained very well. Brigid contacted the city regarding garbage bins overflowing and the grass being 2’ high. They finally showed up today to look after the problem. There is still an issue with the water table and three rental homes that had basements flooded. The drain hose is constantly pouring on to Zess Court.

Next Meeting:

Thursday August 27, 2009 - 7:00 pm @ the Royal on Gordon (Library)

Everyone is welcome!