

**NAVAN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
L'ASSOCIATION DES RESIDENTS DE NAVAN**

MINUTES

**Monday, January 18, 2021
Via Zoom at 7:30 p.m.**

In attendance: Chris MacPherson, John Ladds, Fred Hyde, Tom Devecseri, J. P. Gravelle, Ray Vetter, Rachel Putnins, Bob Price, Luc Picknell, Eleanor Foy, Erin Zintel, Anne-Marie Potvin

1. Additional agenda items and approval of agenda. Moved by Ray Vetter and seconded by John Ladds that the agenda be adopted with amendments. Carried

2. Approval of minutes of the last meeting of November 16, 2020. Moved by Bob Price and seconded by Luc Picknell that the minutes be adopted as read. Carried

3. Outstanding Business

3.1 Director's Insurance

Fred has been looking into the issue of director's liability insurance and has discovered that no such coverage is in place according to Fred's investigations thus far. Fred will continue to look into this matter further.

4. Communications and Announcements

5. Reports

5.1 Treasurer – Dale Borys

Dale was not in attendance and he e-mailed his latest report.

5.2 Navan Nugget– Tom Devecseri

Tom has been collecting monies from ads. Not many articles have been coming in due to lack of action due to the pandemic. Luc is suggesting writing an article in the Nugget around the idea of attracting residents into leading any new projects in town. Issues that need to be brought forward are in dealing with the City, fundraising etc. and what land is available for any proposed projects.

5.3 Social Media – Jackie Moore

Jackie reports that people seem to love Helping Hands and find it very helpful. It has been used a lot more than she projected when it was first suggested.

5.4 Horticulture – Anne-Marie Potvin

Anne-Marie informed members that the information on the Wall usually comes in March but she does not think that will happen this year due to the pandemic. A more realistic goal would be to move the ceremony to September and moving the submissions deadline to June.

5.5 Membership, NCC and Mer Blue update – Ray Vetter

Ray reports 91 members on the list.

Friends of Mer Bleue - next cycle of awards will be in the spring. The information on how to apply for a grant is on the fomb website, as is a copy of the application form. The website is www.fomb.ca Applications for the next review period must be received by the Judging panel by the end of March. It was pointed out that the President of the NCA needs to send a letter to the Friends to be eligible to receive the community association administration grant. It was suggested these

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- 5.6 funds maybe used toward the directors' liability insurance fee.
Safety – Bob Price
Bob reports no concerns voiced on the website. He stated that the new rink rules need to be adhered to and by-law officer is checking on numbers. Bob thinks NCA should take a hands-off approach to enforcing new COVID rules and regulations from the City, and if infractions are taking place, a call should be made to the By-Laws Officer.
- 5.7 Parks and Recreation – Luc Picknell
Luc informed members that the rink is going very well and there have been a lot of modifications to the rules and regulations. City of Ottawa made it clear that they should be monitoring all new rules and not NCA members, as previously stated by Bob Price. Luc is in the early stages of investigating putting in a base for the rinks. He is trying to figure out how to install basketball nets for the summer in that spot. He will have to liaise with the Fairboard before any new plans can be made.
- 5.8 Navan Park Memorial Park/Remembrance Day – Ross Bradley/John Ladds
5.9 City business – Catherine Kitts/Heather Scott/Rachel Putins
Rachel Putins was reporting on behalf of Catharine's office. She stated that the main priority of the City has been the COVID-19 response. It should be noted that during the next 28 days there is a maximum capacity of 25 person at rinks and no hockey is to take place. Call 311 if infractions are taking place for the by-law officer. Catherine commends Navan for the rink and their volunteers. The big focus is preparing for next week's discussion on the official plan from Jan 25 – 28 and the rural Affairs Committee. Extension of urban boundaries will be discussed. Agricultural belt will be discussed to preserve agricultural resource land to protect land from urban growth. Please e-mail feedback on this concept to Catharine as she is eager to hear your concerns. Eleanor Foy was questioning the new official plan as a resident of Bearbrook. Rachel will take this point to Catharine for her input.

6. New Business

- 6.1 **Clearing of parking lot at Smith Road**
Chris pointed out that the parking lot at the end of the trail on Smith Road is no longer being plowed by the City and this is causing some residents to get stuck and having to call for outside help. It was thought that during the COVID times a lot more people are using the trail for exercise and therefore it should be kept clean to prevent people from parking on the roads adjacent to the trail. Rachel will bring this concern to Catharine's attention.
- 6.2 **Annual General Meeting**
Fred was asking how can we conduct the Annual General Meeting virtually. Please give this some thought to this and e-mail your ideas to Fred.
- 6.3 **City Lands**
Eleanor Foy suggested checking out maps.ottawa.ca which shows City owned lands in Navan which could possibly be used for any new projects.

7. Adjournment