

## **Convent Glen Orleans Wood Community Association Meeting Minutes August 17, 2015**

**Present:** Karen Dufton, Lindsay Bradshaw, Ebenezer N, Miranda Gray, Mark Johnston, Karen Chow, Lisa Whittleton

**Absent:** Linda

**Meeting was opened at 7:00 pm.**

1. Motion to **approve the agenda - carried** by consensus
2. Motion to **approve the minutes** of the last meeting: Moved by Mark/Seconded by Ebenezer **Carried.**
3. Motion to recommend the city **put new fitness equipment next to the children's equipment** Moved by Mark/Seconded by Ebenezer

**Discussion:** Three neighbourhood members objected to the location, their reasons included: "It's the smallest park, why do we need more equipment there" One neighbour feels that since it's the smallest part of the park and the designated off leash area is so big it is not fair to put the equipment near the children's equipment. It should go in the off leash area near the butterfly garden. "Its suitable and fine the way it is, there isn't room to put more picnic tables or anything" "Too many people are already parking on our front lawns to go there and it's already at capacity" (their opinion, no data to back it up). "I think it's a waste of your \$40 000 bucks personally" Neighbours have noticed that there are spray paint marks on the grass in that area and inquired to the city. "Barry from parks said the park is marked for gas and phone etc. for the installation of the equipment." "They're gonna tear it up!" We agree that a certain amount of digging will be required to create proper drainage. Miranda pointed out that the city has already investigated the possibility of putting the equipment near the butterfly garden but have rejected that site due to the lack of sewer drainage and the accessibility unfriendly sidewalks there.

After the discussion, the board voted in favour of the motion. **Motion carried.**

#### **4. Reports:**

##### **4.1 Report from Miranda's Quarterly meeting with Bob Monette**

Discussion included:

**4.1.1** Yield signs for Jeanne d'Arc - was discussed with Bob Monette, awaiting response from traffic planner via Bob. Discussing how we will prepare for the changes to the bridge on Jeanne d'Arc in preparation for the LRT expansion that will go through that area in the future.

**4.1.2** Also discussed the problem with bus stop ads being so big that drivers

can't see pedestrians stepping out.

**4.1.3** Jobs in Orleans

**4.1.4** Dogs and dog park

**4.1.5** Also discussed that Canada Post has said they will do consultations about community mailboxes before they decide on a location

## **4.2 Meeting with MPP Marie-France Lalonde**

Mostly just relationship building

**4.3 Meeting with MP Royal Galipeau**, not much discussed knowing an election is coming up.

## **4.4 Email management report (see attached)**

**4.5 Treasurers Report** \$3330.44 in bank account. Only thing outstanding is a cheque to Karen Dufton for survey costs. Member suggested we update website info.

**4.6 Communications Team:** would be willing to make a report at AGM

**5. Neighbourhood Watch update:** St. Terese has their signs up. In Voyageur area, they have knocked on 250 doors so far. They have paused for the summer, but hope to cover 250 more homes.

## **6.0 Plan for AGM on Sept 21<sup>st</sup>**

A room is booked

Bob Monette is invited. He will send a rep if unable to attend due to schedule conflict

Marie-France Lalonde was invited but unable to attend

Federal representation - Due to election, we have no official MP so no one has been invited. No candidates or incumbent will be allowed to speak.

All current Board members have expressed willingness to let their names stand for re-election at the AGM. That still leaves room for up to three other candidates to run for a position on the Board.

Reports needed: President's Report

Treasurer's Report

Thank David for work on rink last year

Communications Committee will have a meeting to plan how they will publicise the AGM. Will send ideas to board members to approve on line.

We are also hoping to announce at the AGM, the date for the All Candidates Meeting hosted by the Chamber of Commerce.

Reports will be sent out ahead of time to be approved on line

## **7. New Business:**

**7.1** There is another opportunity for tree planting on Oct 17 in Mystery Park. Details to

follow, but as with last time, the city would like people to sign up ahead of time.

**8. Future Meetings:**

AGM Sept 21

Sept 28 possible meeting of old and new board members.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:10pm**