

Southland Park Residents Association Inc.

Minutes for November 7, 2022

In attendance: Michelle Friesen, Don Blasko, Tanya Vincent, Adriana Suver, Duana Joubert
Guests: Darcey Schmidt, Jason Wallace

Agenda approved by Don and seconded by Tanya.

Previous meeting's minutes (Aug 15th) approved by Tanya and seconded by Darcey.

AGM's minutes (Sep 11th) approved by Don and seconded by Darcey.

Community BBQ Update

Approximate final cost of the BBQ and AGM was \$3000. Reactions from residents were positive and it seemed that everyone had a good time. We are still waiting for the return of a deposit and will pay out honorarium to the teenage volunteers.

A suggestion for next year is to shorten the BBQ to 2 or 3 hours and then hold the AGM immediately after.

Front Signage / Boulevard Planter Update

Annuals have been pulled out and perennials have been winterized. Several residents helped out throughout the season with weeding. We want to ensure that planters don't get damaged over the winter with plows; Michelle will follow-up with the private contractors who clear the snow. We are considering holiday decorations to fill the planters over winter and also possibly reflective posts to ensure that there is no damage.

Financial Update

Michelle shared the current financial information, following the AGM, the completion of MUAS and the collection of association fees.

Welcome Package Update

Don has been delivering Welcome Packages when there is a transfer of ownership in our neighbourhood. There has been a high number of house sales over the last few months.

CN / Canada Transportation Update

Don is expecting additional information and communication from CN mid-November.

Outdoor Rink

The rink will be set up this coming weekend in a new location that is closer to the main road. Michelle will put a post on Facebook asking for volunteers to help with set up. Michelle will contact Maple Leaf for water to fill the rink. We are considering options for seating around the rink, such as hay bales (less than last year), or a DIY wood bench supported by buckets.

Newsletter Update

A newsletter is planned for early 2023. Possible items to include in the newsletter are: winter carnival information, lighting update, skating rink information, thank you's for BBQ volunteers, thank you for portable basketball net, newly planted trees, and advertisements.

Winter Carnival

We will plan for 4 mini-activities as opposed to one large event. The tentative dates are: January 14, January 28, February 11, February 25. Possible activities that we could offer are: outdoor fire pit with hot chocolate and smores, skating/hockey event, horse-drawn ride, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing.

Subcommittee for planning the Winter Carnival has been formed: Duana, Adriana, Michelle.

New Playground Equipment

Initial design for playground update has been provided by the City. Consultations will be ongoing.

Other items of discussion

New trees have been planted in the park area.

Michelle and Don will meet with our new city councillor, Russ Wyatt.

Our inventory of Association Assets needs to be updated with:

- We are missing one No Mowing sign
- We have fertilizer to use for next season
- A number of Garage Sale signs were too damaged to be reused next year.

Next Meeting will be on Monday, Dec 5th at 7 pm