

MINUTES - Munster Community Association Meeting | 2014

September 17, 2014

Attendees: Mary Sunderland, Frank Stokes, Lynn Duffy, Roberta Hurman, Bruce Ewen, Shaun Hassanali, Heather Kirk, Henry Troop, Phil Brennan

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Previous meeting minutes reviewed. Motion to approve by Mary. Second by Bruce. Approved.

1. Item brought forward from previous meeting regarding rekeying the community centre. Motion from Mary that Roberta be allotted \$1,000 to have the city proceed with changing the locks and obtaining keys. Second by Heather. Approved by all.
2. **Garden Tour wrap up**

Event received great feedback from visitors and gardeners and great press. Lynn is writing thank you letters. The stage is set for next year if we wish to run it again but it needs a committee to organize – too much work for one alone. Sold 25 tickets at \$10 each and gave 21 complimentary tickets. Received \$200 donation from horticulture society and donation from MCA. Lynn move to donate proceeds as follows: \$200 to Munster United for their support; \$100 to the wild bird care sanctuary as a recommendation from the horticulture society and \$100 to Ontario Nature. Plan approved.
3. **Race wrap up**

Even was a great success. 75 runners in 100m, 2k and 5k. MCA donation was used to provide all the runners with medals.
4. **Santa visit**

Roberta to check availability of community centre for end of November, first weekend of December. Mary to provide name that came up during canvassing of potential Santa volunteer. Roberta and Heather to coordinate with Mary's assistance.
5. **Tree lights**

Bruce to investigate options as if we are starting over. Many of the lights last year were taken down because they didn't work and it is expected many more won't be working this year. He is to look at costs for tree light services, cost to buy new lights and volunteers/ cost in having them put up and taken down.
6. **Rink coordination**

Erica is not able to take this on this year. Roberta will check with the former recreation director to see if he is available. Another option mentioned is Bruce Pettigrew.

7. Scavenger hunt

Laura Rupert-Doane presented an idea for a fall, adults only scavenger hunt for the community. The event included a \$20 registration fee and prizes for top winners in the hunt. Would require volunteers to support the event as sources of clues. Laura is asking for \$350 from MCA to cover prizes. With this donation and 10 teams the event would break even. If more teams entered surplus money could be donated to a local charity or carried forward to support the event in the future. Roberta motion to approve. Bruce second. MCA donation approved.

8. Community entrances/ grass

Frank raised concerns about unsightly uncut grass leading into the community along Munster Road, and proposed that the MCA fund a pilot commercial mowing this year, with consideration for future mowings. This proposal recognizes the unfairness of any bylaws which might require homeowners to do that behind their properties. At this time MCA is not comfortable with funding this activity. Proposal declined for now but may be re-tabled. Potential for asking for support from Saunders and the School House as local businesses who may support the initiative.

9. Defibrillator

The idea for a defibrillator was brought up by a community member during canvassing. Concerns were raised about where this might be located, what training might be required. Roberta will start with checking with the city.

10. Community Centre wish list

Wish list presented previously for new items for the community centre was discussed. It was felt the list is excessive for programs currently running and many of the items were unnecessary. Request has been declined for now but may be re-tabled.

11. Neighbourhood Watch

Phil has stepped forward to volunteer to coordinate the Neighbourhood Watch program. Heather will connect Phil with Const. Daniels to start the process.

12. Bulletin board has been fixed. We assume this was done by Evan Morrow who originally built it. Thank you Evan.

13. Scout sponsorship for badges approved in the spring needs to move forward. Cheque for \$200 to be cut to 1st Munster Beavers.

14. Henry trying to get mailbox trophy back in our hands. This was historically presented for community spirit.

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15. Membership drive moving along. About $2\frac{3}{4}$ of quadrants are done. Monies received so far were submitted to Shaun including an extra \$25 in donations to the MCA for a 'job well done.'

Next meeting is October 15, 2014

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm.