

MINUTES - Munster Community Association 2017

September 11, 2017

Attendees: Jessica Breckenridge, Barb Moulton, Mike Heney, Karen Heney, Frank Stokes, Shaun Hassanali, Lisa Lahey, Bruce Ewen, Judith Sammon, Jody Ferguson, Laura Rupert, Shondra Mclean, Bob Easy

Call to Order at 6:32

Approved previous minutes by Jessica

Notes from the summer

-Discussion started by talking about Canada Day. It was a success. The dunk tank helped with revenue. The MCA budgeted 4400.00 and end up spending 3600.00. Budget is attached to these minutes.

Mike made a comment to the MCA about Canada Day . Karen was nominated to be dunked in the dunk tank and had the 2nd highest votes to be dunked by a Facebook poll. The MCA did not come and tell Karen that she could go for her turn in the dunk tank on Canada Day. Members from the Judo club were prepared to pay in order to dunk Karen. Karen never had her turn. Mike felt that next year the MCA should make sure they tell the people being dunked when to go to the dunking station to have their turn. Judith apologized for the misunderstanding. Judith also felt that the Judo club should be include in the Munster Newsletter.

-Decision to do the logo.

The public voted on the logo at the Canada Day celebration. Option 2 was the winner and presented to the group. MCA voted and agreed with the public. The logo will be presented at a later date. Big thank you to Jody Ferguson for her time designing the logos for the MCA.

-Also over the summer the advertising rates in the Newsletter and the phone book will increase from 75.00 to 100.00.

Items discussed

- 1) Financial updates from Bruce show that we are using the money. Maybe start looking for sponsorship at these big event so that we do not use up all the funds.
- 2) Harvest Fest will run September 30th from 11:00-3:00 . The email has already been sent for financials . Budget the same 2100.00 but with 1400.00 coming in. Scott Moffat will be making a donation. There will be a vendor's market, a craft market, harvest food. The MCA will be doing the BBQ so that helps with revenue. There will be pony rides with perhaps money or canned food going to the Richmond Food bank from the pony rides.

Ecology Ottawa will be there to donate tree saplings . Jessica to pick up the tree saplings. If anyone would like to volunteer let the MCA know.

- 3) Scavenger Hunt- 30.00 for a team of 2. It is a race. Teams dress up and the theme this year is Horror Movies. The date is Saturday October 21st.
- 4) Membership drive has started. It was suggested to have a booth at Harvestfest for people to sign up there.
- 5) Judith has reached out to the all the advertisers and she will accept e-transfers from advertisers . Also Judith has found some new advertisers.
- 6) By-laws. Our by-laws are old as they are from 1971. Shaun would like to form a committee to discuss the by-laws. The committee will be members of the MCA and then will be discussed at a meeting and then brought forward at the AGM. If you wish to be on this committee please email Shaun

Karen asked Bruce about his contacting the city about the flooding that occurred to Munster residence in the Spring. Bruce said he did receive an answer to his email and he forwarded it onto the MCA. He will resend to MCA as it was during summer month and many missed this email. Bruce said the answer was not clear and more questions maybe asked. Comments are welcome.

New Business

Heather Kirk brought up new funding requests by email.

-Adult walking program provides a safe indoor area for Munster residents to walk in the winter months in the Munster gym. Open 3 x a week . Request is for coverage of the gym at 600.00 . Shaun moved to approve and Jude second.

-Adult coffee morning by Bonnie and Guy from Mac's at the community centre for residence to chat once a week.They are asking for 200.00 for supplies and maybe a speaker. Jody moved to approve and Frank to second.

-Shaun brought forward the Halloween house decorating contest. This covers the 4 quadrants, Bleeks and Biltmore. The judges are MCA members and it is all confidential. Maybe nominations for houses can be put in a box in the library? Shaun is asking for 170.00 . Bruce moved to approve Jody second. Everyone all in favour.

-Jessica brought forward the community volleyball group that meet in the Munster gym Tuesday nights from 8:00-10:00. Rental is 71.19. Shaun moved it and suggested free advertisement in the newsletter , Lisa second it.

- Ottawa Public Health approached MCA and asked if we would like to have a presentation on Alcohol. We felt maybe a presentation on drugs would be more relevant for families in Munster. Frank suggested we should have a survey to see what the residence of Munster would like to see.

-Jude suggested that the MCA volunteers should have name tags when they are canvassing for membership door to door . The residence may feel safer opening their doors.

-Frank brought up the discussion of the mowing of the boulevards. The mowing was done earlier this summer but not lately and he has sent 2 emails to the City to see what was the problem was. These emails have been unanswered.

-It was a suggestion to Karen from a resident that the MCA maybe interested in a Bike Rodeo by the Ottawa Safety Council with 6 stations for children to learn about bike safety. Perhaps the spring would be good at this time. Garage sale time? We should look at this in February.

-Frank brought up the discussion about the land around Munster that is now closed to the public by the owners. This was once a wonderful place for families to hike on or cross country ski on. Perhaps we will discuss later.

-Bob brought up the discussion of the dirt bikers driving around Munster. This issue will be monitored and discussed again.

Meeting adjourned 8:00

Next meeting Monday October 2nd at Danby's 6:30