

**The Eden Mills and District Community Club
Regular Monthly Meeting June 2014**

Welcome and Introductions

Executive Present: Chris Wilson, Bill Allen, Jodi Dobbie, Tom Bowes
Regrets: Anna Simon, Jack Darmon
2 members

Adoption of Previous minutes seconded by Keith Daniels

President's Report

President's Report : good deal of time spent consulting lawyers following up on the Encroachment Agreement with Elizabeth Cunningham and Doug Jamieson, as well as concerns expressed in correspondence from Charles and Anna Simon. Although half owners e of the parking lot now, Township wants no part of getting involved in dealings between villagers out of concern of "politicizing" proceedings. GET official position in items concerning the Community Hall is to follow the 1994 OMB decision putting Hall maintenance and governance in the hands of the EMCC.

The Executive met to review all the reports and correspondence as well as a site visit to examine the state of the fence and the lean-to encroaching on the land now owned by the EMCC. In a unanimous decision, the Directors agreed that with the C&J property up for sale, it was the right time to end the Encroachment License and take full ownership without encumbrances. In a neighbourly gesture the Directors agreed that the EMCC would do the work needed to clear the land for the parking lot improvement project. D&J have sold their property and given our letter to their lawyer, Doug Black.

Progress in working with Ruth Bowes on functions of the website. The links seem to be working. Ruth has taken on some of the workload by posting EMCC announcements and newsletter emailing.

Suggest putting meeting agendas on website? Those interested can download.

- question re: \$20 000, from the township "is in the budget" told to Charles

Motion to accept report, seconded by Charles

Treasurer's Report attached

Motion to accept report, seconded by
-membership another \$150
-garage sale \$1193.80
-retired teachers and Brampton cycle club \$1268.00
-heat pump invoice paid \$1639.95 in May for electrical
-\$1325 in rental deposits

Motion to accept report, seconded by Tom

Rentals

Rentals: Communication still an issue: The NIA dance group wanted to rent the hall for the May long weekend for a cultural event but the Retro Café was booked for the Sunday, so NIA

took the following weekend. The Retro café then switched to that weekend, but NIA says they weren't advised the long weekend was now available. Part of the NIA event was being filmed, and constant opening of the front door and chatter contaminated the filming and ruined that part of their program. I felt it was unfair to charge them full rental for the day, so NIA has paid \$ 80.00 for sharing the day.

Combination lock Key Box being installed by the Bowes. Hall key is to be kept at hall at all times, never taken off premises, even by renters, so access is always available for those needing occasional access.

Bartenders situation to be reviewed with Robin Milne at Township ie changes to Smart Serve. New SS course offering?

June 12 election 3 polls here =600.00

Request from Eramosa Eden for rent free use of Hall for a play for seniors October 18 and some rehearsal time It is intended as a fund raiser for the EMCC

- might it be prudent to have member open the hall for renters...that's what Gael is doing
- lockbox for villager use only for village events
- could we change the combination periodically of the lock box for villagers?

Programming

Programming- Michael Barnstijn has a copy of Ed Burtynski's " Waterworks" to show for a fundraiser-perhaps as Natural World Speaker series?

Building Group

- attached note from Charles Village Square/Parking Lot and Tim's Garden
- Rob Blakeney will be paid for posts and structural consultant
- working groups are open
- timing: starting with grading and drainage
- status of solar possibility..... Assuming no feed in tariff though will be designed to accept solar collectors if the funds are there (for example battery installation)...looking at options and will create proposal
- Charles met with Mayor White, CAO, Robin Milne and new head of Public Works...notes sent to Chris Wilson re: how to proceed, ...very supportive! Mayor also reiterated GET will pay for paving between bridges and any other paving features will have to be paid by EMCC. Notes of meeting attached.

Maintenance

Maintenance - grass at Hall cutting? Tape removed and light switches again turned off in kitchen which meant no lights in the upstairs washrooms for rental event!!!

Fix up list needs to be dealt with by volunteer crew.

Need new tables and chairs asap

- can Paul D make an adjustment so switches cannot be turned on and off?..maybe
- priority will be purchase of new tables and chairs in the fall...Keith will look into options and present at Sept meeting

Membership:condolences to Ruth Bowes on the passing of her mother.

Lifedrawing & Stitch'n'Bitch report:

The studio tour was a success, proving that when the weather is perfect, people don't necessarily stay away in droves to work on their gardens.

We'd like to extend our most grateful thanks to the café volunteers who soldiered through setbacks and illness to put on another wonderful café. It really is an amazing addition to the festival.

We hope to continue lifedrawing through the summer, if we have enough participants. We are switching to portraits (clothed) and putting out a call in the newsletter and through email to ask for volunteers to sit. The money from the artists will go to the club so it will be a fundraiser.

The Bitchin' Stitchers will not meet throughout the summer. We had a great time this year, including a field trip to a sheep-shearers operation and will be stitching Christina's paper quilt at the landfill site this Friday.

Thanks to Kim Murphy for her fundraiser idea. She is purchasing home-made slings for her veterinary surgery practice . Lifedrawing will continue to pay for the materials.

I'd also like to ask Eden Millers to save their citrus peels this summer to use in our Christmas cakes. Simply pare away the white pith and store in a jar of syrup or sweet liqueur. We are trying healthier and more natural ingredients this year. They can be dropped off at my place 127 York St. at any time.

Janet Wilson

Motion Accept reports, seconded by Bill

Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

Garage Sale: The plastic chairs were not put in the garage sale. ReStore took them away gratefully.

New business

RBC Grant via Denise Michalski \$ 1000.00 3 RBC employees with, 3 village volunteers needed ...over 12 villagers helped out!

Keith-Fire extinguisher inspection as approved in April 2014, smoke alarms will be inspected by Keith

Keith also has maintenance book of building so please update Keith

Doug Black's card is not in newsletter, Keith will follow up with Ruth

Mill pond memberships...canada helps payment online, can go in Village update and newsletter

Looking to have executive and past executive meeting to discuss structure of EMCC

Announcements

-Sapporro Jazz festival concert June 27

-August 2 Fairly Odd Folk concert

Next meeting Tuesday Sept 9, 2014