

**The Eden Mills and District and Community Club
Regular Meeting - November 2014**

Welcome and Introductions

Executive Present: Jodi Dobbie, Tom Bowes , Chris Wilson , Bill Allen

Regrets: Jack Darmon, Anna Simon

4 members present

Adoption of previous Minutes

Correspondence:

Megawire:

- Tony Pignatelli email explaining Megawire hotspots have been installed by them in banquet halls and willing to quote us. Megawire would need to install access points and a hotspot controller in the building as well as a receiver outside the building to pick up the signal from the tower in Eden Mills. A technician needs to inspect the site and take measurements. Chris has corresponded back about times or a site visit....still waiting after two weeks to hear back

Health Department re Water in the Hall: Letter from Wendy Briggs

Public Health is required to complete a reassessment of the drinking water system at the Eden Mills Community Club this year. I've been advised by the Township of Guelph/Eramosa to contact the Community Club directly to do the reassessment.

According to our records, the system is currently posting warning signs in lieu of testing the water. The option to post the facility may not be permitted on reassessment because the kitchen and hall can be rented by the public. I'd like to arrange to meet with a representative of the club on site to discuss some of the issues and obtain more information about the system and its users.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Thank-you.

Wendy Briggs, C.P.H.I. (c)
Public Health Inspector
Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health
160 Chancellors Way
Guelph ON N1G 0E1
T: 519-822-2715 or 1-800-265-7293 ext. 4241
F: 519-823-4905

wendy.briggs@wdgpublichealth.ca
www.wdgpublichealth.ca

Reports:

President's Report

- Executive approved payment for engineers drawings of hall in the amount of \$700
- Executive approved the purchase of a website domain through Go Daddy
- Thank you for the Halloween party
- Pleased with online booking form for hall now working!!

Motion: To accept report as presented, seconded by Barb Marshall, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report (attached)

- Fiscal year ended Oct 31
- Cheque from senior's play \$263.00
- Went to PayPal to retrieve membership money..mostly for year that has ended
- Concert money is under "general revenue" unless noted
- Book sale raised \$1563.13! Thank you
- Good news that our revenue is close to our projections
- Expenses: electricity remains higher because of heat pump, remember cost of fuel is down, also included our water system Maintenance by Jim Caldwell
- Over the year we gained \$3000 on our investment
- The \$50 000 has not moved to mutual fund as proposed last month as market has not been strong...we will wait and see
- Don't need to be taxed on net income as we are a charity
- We will need to develop a new budget for the upcoming year

Motion To accept report as presented, seconded by Tom, motion passed

Rental Report

Website: Email from Ruth Bowes

Ruth discovered that the edenmills.ca domain registration was about to expire. This has now been renewed for 9 years and transferred to GoDaddy along with the web hosting package under Ruth Bowes' account (expensed to the club). If the club wants to start a GoDaddy account at a future date everything can be transferred. For ease of management and cost savings it was registered in my account. Ruth still has to verify all club emails are working (eg president@edenmills.ca) etc. Laura Brown was previously paying the fees for both of these items. The club should acknowledge this contribution and thank Laura.

The community hall form is still an issue. The club receives some forms but not all. GoDaddy will provide support for this however if it can't be resolved the form will be removed. Currently there is a message that the form was sent but if you don't receive a call or email in 24 hours to follow up.

Motion to transfer Go Daddy account to Eden Mills, seconded by Bill, motion passed.

Hall:

- Emergency light has burnt out over lock box, Chris looking into it

- Still questions remain as to how to use the heat and fan... we need instructions as to how to use the hall
- Tom – Frustrating with accessing locked equipment as keys for locked cupboards are in community and sometimes equipment
- Les – should our rental rates reflect use of equipment and should trained villagers be at events to operate and supervise equipment...we could pay villagers
- Jodi – should we have an executive member be in charge of hall and help create user manual?

ACTION – will bring up idea of putting together a hall user manual and discuss use of hall at AGM

Maintenance

- Thank you Keith for research into replacement tables and chairs and for providing President Wilson with a costing report
- We will be asking Keith to bring samples of chairs to the AGM so that we can make an informed decision.

Membership

- Charlotte collected memberships at the book sale, Ruth Bowes at garden club, and Sue Martyn collected membership fees from all her fitness participants. Bringing paid memberships for 2015 to 35 memberships.
- The membership reminder will go out in the November newsletter (deadline this Friday).
- As well, Ruth proposes sending an email to all club leaders to remind collect membership fees for remind their participants that membership needs to be paid in full.
- Christmas Bazaar is next targeted “in person” membership collection; please remind people they can pay on line as well.

Retro Café

- November 9

Table Tennis

- Up and running

No Reports submitted by Ladies Fitness, Youth Group, Guardians of Eden, Carbon Neutral, Art in Eden

Motion to accept reports as presented, seconded by Bill, motion passed.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

- Eh! Was a successful concert, thank you to Robin and Marilyn
- Thank you to Michael Barnstijn for pumpkins volunteers Jack and Dave for coordinating Halloween Party
- Congratulations all involved in Seniors Play!

Book Sale Report

Thanks to all those that helped out at the Book Sale, among them Heather Blair, Heather Nagel, Luc Bourgeois, Keith Daniels, Richard Pilon, Linda Sword, Barb Parker, Norah Menzies, Ed

Langevin, Linda Hendry, Les Zawadzki, Tom Bowes, Al McBride, Jim Brown, Sue Gillespie, Gloria Nye, Bob Turner, Sharon Blom, Djurdja and Marinko Cvjetacanin, Robert Agonostopoulos, Donna McMurdo, Jim and Sue Spencer, Charlie Barnes and John Morrison and probably many more that I didn't record.

Special thanks to a whole slew of customers who, when we were light on help at the end of the sale, pitched in and loaded books up and took them down to the trailer and truck.

We were able to raise \$1313,90 plus \$250 from the books submitted to the book store. This results in a **grand total of \$1563.13** raised for the Eden Mills Community Club.

The extra non-book items did not sell so this is something that we will give up on in the future; those that come to buy books seem to only want books.

The revenue that was taken in is important but even more important is working together to make this event happen. Many thanks to the donors of goodies and books, to sorters and sellers, and to all other helpers, and buyers!! You're great!!

Kit and Brian

New Business

- Nov 29 upcoming Concert in Series
- Barb Marshall ask for money to support the annual xmas tree burning party first snow Saturday in January

Motion to provide \$100 for hot chocolate and donuts purchase to be enjoyed at the xmas tree burning party the first snowy Saturday in January! Seconded by Bill, motion passed and thank you Barb.

Sale of the United Church

- The Eden Mills Writers Festival (EMWF) applied to Angel Gabriel Foundation to purchase the United Church. The foundation is requesting the Eden Mills Community Club to be co-owner as church given the club's familiarity with property ownership.
- The proposed vision is that EMCC would own the church on paper and technically lease the church to the EMWF. The EMWF is prepared to handle maintenance, operations etc. of the Church. The arrangement would be similar to a rental agreement.
- There are several church members and EMWF villagers willing to sit on a joint committee with the EMCC to operate the church.
- Questions during meeting around..maintenance, insurance, liability, community use of Church

Motion For the EMCC to explore further with the EMWF a potential purchase and subsequent rental/user agreement of the Eden Mills United Church. This group will report back to the executive . Seconded by Les Z., motion passed.

Next meeting is December 2, followed by Annual General Meeting