

Eden Mills and District Community Club Inc.

Board Meeting – Tuesday, May 9, 7-9 pm @ E.M. Hall

Minutes

Directors Present: Bill Allen, Richard Lay, Barb Parker, Ken Lancaster, Sharon Blom, Brian Skerrett

Minutes prepared by S. Blom

Agenda:

1. Review Action List
 2. Review previous minutes
 3. Review Active projects
 - a. Solar roof
 - b. Hall retrofit
 - i. Stage
 - ii. Walls
 - c. Tim's Garden
 - d. York Street
 4. Next members meeting
 5. Drive for volunteers - Sign Up Genius
 6. R. Bowes suggestion re advertising @ Paul's Hall (email May 4)
 7. R. Bowes suggestion re kids play group (email May 2)
 8. Treasurers Report
 9. AOB
-

Minutes:

1. Minutes of previous meeting, March 23, 2017
 - Approved.
2. Review action list
 - Action list reviewed and updated
 - Motion to approve Phase 1 of the Theatre upgrades: The board approves the implementation of the stage renovations with costs up to and not exceeding \$10k and sound system upgrades with costs up to and not exceeding \$8k, pending approval of the Fire Marshall and required building permits in place

Moved by Brian, seconded by Barb. Motion carried.

3. Review active projects

Solar roof – installation is complete and solar panels are hooked up. The new electrical panels are located in the kitchen. Credit is due to the mayor Chris White for facilitating the loan from Waterloo-Wellington Community Futures.

We will plan a ribbon-cutting ceremony to publicize and celebrate the installation, perhaps along with the 10-year celebration of Eden Mills Going Carbon Neutral.

Hall Retrofit – Richard, with Les and Charles, is updating the design drawings, preparing to send them out to contractors for quotes in the next few weeks.

York Road re-paving – we have yet to meet with Harry Niemi regarding our desired upgrades to the standard re-paving. Richard has had a discussion with Hydro One – Hydro One is considering replacing the poles in the valley, possibly relocating the poles to York and Barden streets and combining with Bell poles. This option could save EMCC the cost of relocating the pole in front of the parking lot.

Tim's Garden – Jamie Giddings has done a draft design. This needs more detail before sending out for quotes.

4. Next Members Meeting

The next members meeting is planned for Tuesday, June 20. Ken will check on Hall bookings and ask Ruth to post the date in the EMCC Newsletter. Ken will draft and distribute the PowerPoint template.

5. Drive for volunteers – sign up Genius

Ruth has sent out the request for volunteers using the 'Sign Up Genius' applications. We have only 10 signups so far. Board members will put in their volunteer information into the Sign-Up Genius and encourage other members to do the same.

The Board approves the use of the EMCC members contact list for email appeals for volunteers.

6. R. Bowes suggestion re: advertising @ Paul's Hall (email May 4)

Board agrees with Ruth's suggestion to expand our advertisement on the Paul's Halls website. Ken will follow up with Ruth and will also look into Kijiji advertising.

7. R. Bowes suggestion re kids play group (email May 2)

The Board would like to pursue the idea further – what kind of instruments, how much money, and how much interest. For this year, we don't have any more money in the Community Activities budget (for things like Hallowe'en,

Eden Mills Community Club – May 9, 2017 Board Meeting

Tobogganing, Tree Burning), but could perhaps take money from Other Expenses. Ken will follow-up with Ruth.

8. Treasurer's Report (Bill Allen)

Financials of as of May 09 were reviewed and approved.

Income is down from this time last year. Memberships are still coming in. Rentals are below budget to-date. Brian will check in with Marie Henault for her ideas on increasing rental revenue.

Re: the \$2000 we are expecting from RBC for the Edible Forest project – we have not received this yet. The organization sending the funds does have our direct deposit information.

Solar loan payback – Richard will track reductions to Hydro expenses which will offset our loan re-payments.

9. Other Business

The Fundraising committee will be meeting on Thursday night, May 11, 7 pm to brainstorm ideas for celebratory and fundraising events. We have several members who volunteered for this committee.

Linda Sword has submitted an application for the FCC Agrispirit grant.

The EM Going Carbon Neutral is planning a 'Solstice Event' for June 24. John Cripton is leading this effort.

Meeting adjourned 8.50 pm, May 9.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 8-9 pm.