

The Park in the City Committee

4:30 p.m. - Wednesday, September 11, 2019

MacBain Community Centre Boardroom

Minutes of Meeting

Present:

Pat Mascarin, Janet Hassall, Michal Lukac, Paisley Janvary-Pool, Frank Fohr, John Anstruther, Audrey Fraser, Carly Milani, Sheila Deluca, Jeff Guarasci (Staff)

Regrets:

Tom Mingle, Frank Fohr, John Brucato, Dan Cicchino, Councillor Victor Pietrangelo, Councillor Mike Strange

1. Adoption of Minutes

a) *June 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes*

IT WAS MOVED BY Pat Mascarin, second by Audrey Fraser that the minutes of the June 12, 2019 Park in the City Committee meeting be approved as written.

Motion Carried

2. Welcome

NS & T Rail Line Signage

Paul Chapman conducted a presentation on commemorative signage that is to be installed along the NS&T Line Trail to commemorate the former NS&T rail line. The proposal is to install 3 signs (Garner Road, Dorchester Road and Drummond Road).

IT WAS MOVE BY John Anstruther, second by Michal Lukac that the Park in the City Committee supports the installation of 3 commemorative signs to be installed along the NS&T Line Trail in recognition of the former NS&T Line railway.

Motion Carried

3. Business Arising from June 12, 2019 meeting

a) *Summer Trillium Awards*

It was decided by the committee to continue with the same program format for 2020.

b) *Schools In Bloom Program*

Deferred to the October, 2019 Park in the City Committee meeting.

4. Events & Programs

a) *Up-Coming Events*

- TD Tree Days Tree Planting event – September 21 at the Fairview Cemetery from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.
- Fall Community Clean Sweep Day – October 5 at Oakes Park from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.
- TD Green Space Tree Planting event – October 18 at Firemen's Park from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

b) **Mother Earth Day Sub-Committee Report, Michal Lukac**

An event sub-committee was formed, consisting of community members that are engaged in environmental initiatives. The Stamford Centre Volunteer Firemen's Association is the primary partner with the new Mother Earth Day event that will be held at Firemen's Park. Next sub-committee meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 2 at Firemen's Park starting at 10:00 am. All Park in the City Committee members are invited to participate.

The new event will consist of tree planting activities, community clean-up, environmental vendors, demonstrations, entertainment and food and beverage. The event date is Saturday, May 9, 2020 rain or shine at Firemen's Park. The Mother Earth Day event will replace the Committee's annual Arbour Day, Community Clean Sweep and Tree Seedling Sales Day events.

c) **Environment Award**

The committee received nominations to date for the Environment Award. Deadline to receive nominations is October 4, 2019.

5. Transportation and Trails

a) *NS & T Line Trail Walk*

In July, Committee members walked the NS & T Line Trail from Garner Road to Montrose Road. Capital improvements will be completed along this section of trail at the entry ways of Garner Road and Kalar Road. Parallel parking will be installed and minor improvements to the trail will be conducted. Work should be completed in late fall, 2019.

6. New Business

a) *Curbside Give-A-Way Day Event*

Staff indicated that the Niagara Region has some concerns with the proposed Curbside Give-A-Way Day event in Niagara Falls. Staff are waiting on a formal reply from the Region that will include some suggestions.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 4:30 pm at MacBain Community Centre Boardroom.