

The Park in the City Committee

4:00 p.m. - Wednesday, January 11, 2017

MacBain Community Centre Boardroom

Minutes of Meeting

Present:

John Anstruther, Audrey Fraser, Pat Mascarin, Paisley Janvary-Pool, Elizabeth Manker, Michal Lukac, Councillor Mike Strange, Jeff Guarasci (Staff)

Regrets:

Corey Barkman, Frank Fohr, Kenneth Groves, Janet Hassall, Curtis Thompson, Councillor Victor Pietrangelo

1. Welcome

City Staff, Mark Richardson presented on the Green Burial Project. A preliminary tree planting and grading has been completed. Included in the build will be wild flowers, stone dust walkways, viewing pergola and additional trees. A community planting event is scheduled for Friday, September 29 starting at 10:00 am.

2. Adoption of Minutes

The Park in the City Committee minutes from November 30, 2016, 2016.

IT WAS MOVED BY Pat Mascarin, second by Audrey Fraser, that the minutes of the meeting of November 30, 2016 be approved as written. Motion Carried.

3. Events & Programs

a) Schools In Bloom Liaisons

15 schools will be involved in the program for 2017. Staff Liaison duties have been allocated to members. Next Schools In Bloom meeting is scheduled for February 8th.

b) Arbour Day

Confirmed to be held at Chippawa Lions Park on Friday, April 28, 2017 starting at 9:00 am.

4. Tree Programs, Projects

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor Mike Strange, second by John Anstruther that the Park in the City Committee purchase a tree and commemorative plaque to be installed at the nearest area possible of the cross walk located in front of Greendale School in honour of Chester Murawski. Motion Carried.

5. Awards and Grants

a) Grants

Approved grant to date:

- CN EcoConnexion - \$25,000

Pending Grants:

- Niagara Community Foundation - \$5,500
- TD Tree Days – \$5,000

6. New Business

a) *Ride of Silence & Canada 150*

The committee would like to enhance the up-coming Ride of Silence event. The goal is to acquire 150 riders in honour of Canada's 150th birthday celebration. Mike Lukac has committed to help promote the event.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 4:00 pm at the MacBain Community Centre Boardroom.