



HEALTHY COMMUNITY NETWORK

Minutes of Meeting

Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
Classroom, Town Hall

PRESENT: Michael LaPorte- Chair
Ruth McArthur - Secretary
Peter Willmott
Sylvia Bray
Neal Jankowski
Nathan Wukasch
Joseph Molinaro
John Ferguson
Susan Luciani
Irene Bell
David Featherstone

GUESTS: Councillor Joe Belanger
Mark Russo

REGRETS: Harry Regu
Narcis Bejtic
John Fisher

1. CALL TO ORDER at 7:07pm

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA – A motion to accept agenda by Peter Willmott, seconded by Susan Luciani, carried.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: April 20, 2017

The minutes of the April meeting were circulated and approved through email. April and May minutes will go to Community Services Committee meeting

5. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS : None

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Ploverpalooza/ Friends of Nancy Island Waterfront festival

Michael spoke with Josh and is very happy to have the committee provide a bike rodeo in a designated parking lot for Saturday June 17th. This will occur near beach area 2 on the beach. Narcis spoke to Leah Simon at the health unit and OPP re the event.

Peter W spoke with Marilyn Beacroft regarding the possibility of having a tent/booth at the event showcasing the HCN committee. Irene and Peter in agreement to run the HCN booth at the event.

Sylvia has contacted STR for possible delivery of promotional material. There has been no response from this group regarding our items. Nathan has sent an additional email to the STR for the magnets and jerseys delivery.

ACTIONS:

Irene and Peter to run an HCN promotional booth at Ploverpalooza event on June 17th

Narcis, Susan and Michael will run the bike rodeo at the event and look for promotional items.

Nathan to follow up on Town Trail maps for the event.

Sylvia will source some Cycle Simcoe maps at an event next week.

b. Age Friendly Committee/Senior Expo and Old Fashioned Picnic

Susan and Irene to cover booths for HCN, Hiking Club and Good Food Box on June 22nd.

c. Bike Valet/Bike friendly Subcommittee

First meeting was April 24th and there is a public works committee rep Kevin Lalonde moving forward.

Discussed the development of the Harold Culham Trail. The pink trail signage has been found and will be installed on parts of the Harold Culham trail International trails Day on June 3rd. There is a portion of trail from Woodland to Klondike that has steep, sandy hills and has been challenging to develop. John Fisher will be surveying the trail for certain safety aspects and trail surfaces this season. Peter has followed up with Kevin to see if there is any budget for development of this trail. There is a Town budget line for trail maintenance which is \$50,000 and used each year.

A survey of bike racks in town has been completed. There are 33 in town. John Fisher is also completing an inventory in the Provincial Park, he would like to increase the amount available in the Park. Pricing for bike racks has been completed. The unit cost for the bike racks are \$325. For orders above 30 there is a volume discount.

The bike valet project is being investigated as an option this summer as a pilot. The committee is looking at a pilot event and are reviewing all Town events this summer. Brendan Matheson from the County of Simcoe will be attending the next meeting to discuss this issue. An ideal area is 20x20 ft to park bikes. Information regarding set up has also been determined. The committee is looking at the development of a banner for this project. The community policing committee is willing to support this event if it moves forward.

There are 3 community members that are Can Bike Trained now. Share the Road has recently taken over the Can Bike Training program and it is now a 4 hour program, which will help expand the program.

Ruth will continue to discuss travel planning with Worsley Public School in order to gauge its interest in joining the committee.

Peter will discuss the status of Bike Repair Stands recently purchased by the Town. They are identified on the trail map already.

In May, a report with the Bike Friendly report went to Council. It was well received by Council and there were 2 recommendations from the report. Council has agreed that the subcommittee work on the report recommendations. There was support to apply for a silver designation in the future. The recommendation for a full time position to move the work forward could occur through grants.

Action:

Nathan to follow up with Public Works Department on timing of bike repair stand installation.

d. Community Garden

\$500 grant application from Landscape Ontario has been submitted by Michael. The opening of the garden happened on Saturday. The ART on the Fence project grant has been approved. On June 8th, there is a meeting being held for the project.

There is a waiting list for the garden and the need for a second site in town. At the Food Champions meeting last week, it was identified there could be an opportunity to build single community garden plots at places such as motels and rentals.

ACTIONS:

Michael to inform Neal once the grant is approved to ensure Landscape Ontario logo is on the poster

e. Communications Group

Neal has sent over the template for the revised website. We will be getting a quote on the revision of the website. Joe mentioned there are grants available for new websites through RT07.

New communications officer is encouraging the HCN agenda to be posted.

Michael Gennings would like us to send any events and information regarding HCN so that he can post them through social media. He also agreed to a facebook site for HCN.

Action:

Michael to get a second quote for the website development

Neal to develop a social media event plan and bring to the next meeting.

Facebook page to be opened by Neal "Healthy Community Network Wasaga Beach"

f. Bike Racks

Refer to business arising section c

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Library Story Walk Project

Jackie Beaudin from the Town Library is interested in starting up this project on one of the Town Trails and would like to collaborate with HCN. The concept is to have pages from a story at multiple stops along the trail.

ACTION:

Ruth to ensure the project gets on the Trail subcommittee.

b. Age Friendly Community Update

- New logo – A project logo has been developed for AFC and will be used as a marketing tool for all activities. The logo is based on the World Health Organization 8 dimensions of age friendly and is 8 petals.
- Launch event – the event is now open for registration for the senior's event for June 22nd.
- Website – committee recently spoke with Town IT department. We now have an email which is wasagabeachseniors.com. The committee is developing a "Seniors" landing page within the Town website and will be built over the next few months
- The 2017 action plan is underway.

c. Active Transportation subcommittee update – refer to c in business arising

d. HCN vacancies

The clerk has posted for additional vacancies for HCN and there were three applications received.

e. Items for Future Meetings:

f. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday June 15, 2017

g. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by Irene seconded by Peter, carried.