

Clean City Advisory Committee

Minutes

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

**Lake Street Service Centre, 2nd Floor, 383 Lake Street at
17:30**

Attendance:

Elaine Manocha (Chair), Elizabeth Krajewski, Tisha Polocko (Vice-Chair), Holly Washuta, Tony DellaVentura, Kris Akilie, Karen Sabzali, Cheryl Crawley

Absent: Jonathan Belgrave Sookhoo

Staff Liaison:

Patrick Conway, John Bellehumeur, Paula Hornall

1. **Call meeting to order (Vice-Chair)**
17:38pm
2. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**
T. DellaVentura received an invitation from Angela Coates from Thorold offering to educate students about cleaning up Thorold downtown core—T. DellaVentura to forward email to E. Manocha
3. **Motion to approve the agenda**
T. DellaVentura and C. Crawley
4. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous April 19, 2015 meeting**
C. Crawley and T. Polocko
5. **Presentations (invited guests)**
none
6. **Business arising from the minutes**
None
7. **Business**

7.1 Correspondence

- J. Bellehumeur received call from Melania Gasprano of the Sustainability Yours Group regarding cleanup of Burleigh Hill-P. Conway picked up litter bags-J. Bellehumeur invited to meeting and advised her to contact E. Manocha or T. Polocko
- T. Polocko received voicemail regarding missing garbage can on Burleigh Hill(already put back)
- Email received from McMaster Medical Environmental Health Interest Group (Niagara Region Campus) would like to do a clean up-suggested areas would be Lockhart drive and Chestnut Street W behind the Pen Centre(100 feet of watercourse that could be cleaned up –good for about 4 people) or clean up along the back fence line of the Pen Centre
- Voicemail received about garbage bags left at Lakeshore/Linwell/Lake Street-already picked up by City
- Need to send a thank you note to Joe Kushner, put a thank you in paper for all of the volunteers for cleaning up
- J. Bellehumeur suggested that Committee reach out to the City's Communication Team in regards to publicity in the paper/website for thank you etc.

7.2 Status of Budget

- No new information-T. Polocko to follow up-no money this year-perhaps next year
- Necessary to draw up a letter outlining requirements for increase in budget

7.3 Budget Committee Proposal Update

- H. Washuta has seen other sponsorship packages seeking funding
- H. Washuta and K. Akilie to head sponsorship committee to raise funds
- Possible slogan "WE NEED YOUR GREEN TO KEEP IT CLEAN"
- Perhaps J. Belgrave Sookhoo to join, E. Manocha will partake if J. Belgrave Sookhoo unavailable
- Recommend as an incentive that companies have their logos on the pocket ashtrays/biodegradable bags

7.4 Fall Cleanup Preparation

- Workplan to be developed for next year's fall and spring clean up
- Banner dates will need to be changed-a generic banner should be made instead of changing each season
- Cleanup date: September 10, 2016
- No ramp cleanups due to ticks
- Also need to identify new clean up locations
- T. Polocko spoke with owner of Best Western in regards to the amount of litter that was picked up along their property and owner will get in touch with groundskeeper
- P Conway to touch base with E Manocha to pick up 4 boxes of pitch in Canada bags
- Looking for biodegradable garbage bags

7.5 Graffiti

- Suggested that Clean City Committee (T. Polocko) contact the Police Chief via letter to see if they could reinstate a dedicated officer for Graffiti removal due to the increase in graffiti in area-used to have one years ago
- Suggestion was put forth that if this could not be done that they use the School Resource Officers to bring forth the graffiti issues into the schools
- Due to process of contacting artists this may not occur until next year
- H. Washuta would like to see a picture/locations of the garbage bins with the new graffiti design
- 2 locations at James Street at the Work Burger store and also at Niagara and Welland-they are moved every 3 months-P. Conway to email site list
- T. Polocko to email picture

7.6 Cigarette Butt Campaign ideas

- To be discussed at next meeting

8. **Date of next meeting**
Tuesday, August 16, 2016 17:30pm

9. **Motion to Adjourn**
T. Polocko 18:35pm