

WHAT'S HAPPENING

AUGUST 2020

WHAT'S NEW

Phase 2 of the Development

Demolition of the pump house beside the pond on the former 7th hole has now taken place and hundreds of loads of fill is now being brought back to the site for compaction. The pond has been completely drained and is being prepared for filling. The activity is happening at a very busy and constant pace and those residents bordering on the work site will be glad to see the end of this level of truck activity sooner rather than later. We should all take heart that the more they do now the sooner they will be finished. They are still on target to begin servicing the site in August and installing the utilities in October/November.

Site 100 (now legally referenced as Block 34) – The Seniors Building Site

We have been informed that a video conference meeting is planned for late August involving representatives of the Township, Geranium, Greenwood and CCRA regarding the current grading of the buffer strip (our term is common area) that abuts the seniors site property and the rear property boundaries of a number of Canterbury homes. The purpose of the meeting is to determine if a resolution can be found to fix the current grading, design and configuration of the property to make it suitable for our anticipated needs when we shortly acquire ownership of that property from the Township. We also want to seek changes that will satisfy those homeowners whose lots backs onto that particular piece of property.

The parties involved, including the Township, who are supportive of our concerns, feel that any resolution will likely have to await issuance by Greenwood of their Draft Site Plan for the property they now own and on which a seniors multi unit building will be built. When issued, we will be entitled to a copy of the Draft Site Plan for our review and comments which we are told will likely be available within the next two months.

Transfer of Lands to CCRA

The legal transfer of this property to CCRA has not yet taken place so the Township of Scugog remains the current owner. We are not anticipating any problems with the transfer and the delay is simply the result of the COVID–19 environment making face to face meetings with our corporate lawyer difficult as everything has to be dealt with by phone and other electronic means of communication. However, we are hoping the transaction can be completed by the end of August.

Work at The Centre and the Pathway to the New Development

The pathway from the new development on the former 9th hole to The Centre has now been constructed following the same route as the former golf cart path. Finishing touches to the pathway and the sodding of the common area will commence in the next couple of weeks.

The landscaping work around The Centre has now been finalized with the completion of the sodding. All that remains in that area is the restoration work around the pumping station.

The Centre construction related work is now finished and we have received the Full Occupancy Permit effective August 7, 2020. The permit allows us to take back the responsibility for our Centre however due to the COVID-19 situation we will be limited in the number of people and activities we can accommodate when we officially open The Centre.

The swimming pool has now been completed and has being maintained by Gary Carmichael and Bill Gerber. Prior to The Centre, the property around it and the pool being turned over to CCRA, a final permit must be obtained from the Durham Health Department and that is expected to be in place by the end of this week.

As you will have seen when you picked up your mail, the parking lot up to the north end of the mail kiosk has been paved. The rest of the parking lot will receive a blacktopping spray overlay and the numerous cracks will be professionally filled by August 13th. Once spray is dry, new parking lines will be painted on the finished product. We will keep the parking lot closed until at least August 20th to ensure that it cures and dries completely, so please be patient.

Now that we have custody of The Centre, Vince Bradbury and Wayne Shannon, our MVP of hard work and building skills, will install the three newly refurbished signs to give our Centre a fresh and welcoming new look.

Placing of furniture and unpacking

On August 7, 2020 we finished getting our furniture and equipment moved back into The Centre and starting the week of Monday August 10 we will be unpacking everything and putting it away as well as undertaking a number of other tasks such as putting up shelving, pictures, arranging the furniture and reorganizing where everything needs to go so it can be easily accessed.

We have transferred our office equipment (computers etc.) into The Centre and now have full access to The Centre office.

Pre-Delivery Inspection

The final inspection of The Centre addition and renovation work was conducted by Barry Smythe, Wayne Shannon and Jim Worsley on Friday August 7, 2020 and the only outstanding issue is the duct cleaning and balancing of the air flow systems which we expect to be completed by Geranium contractors very shortly.

Drop Off Zone For The Pool

You will recall that we found the grade of the planned short pathway from the bottom level "drop off area" to the pool gate. It would have been an approximate uphill slope of five feet that we argued, strongly supported by our resident engineer Barry Smythe, was too steep for anyone with mobility issues to use.

To make a long story short, we got the Township involved with the issue and put forward our ideas to resolve the problem. With the valued assistance of Barry Smythe, the cooperation of Geranium engineering and Township representatives, an acceptable solution was worked out that involved building a level paved footpath from the parking lot directly to the pool gate. This involved additional costs and was paid for by Geranium. With this paved pathway and the sod laid all around the south end of The Centre, we are very pleased with the final look of this whole area. By having an exterior access to the new pool, it means that bathers need not enter The Centre to get access to the pool. This was an important requirement that the CTC vigorously pursued.

WHAT'S NEXT

New Window Coverings

The Centre extension to the east is bright, open and cheerful and provides a wonderful view of the pool, the pond and when the foliage is gone from the trees, the lake. Due to the location of our windows we need to mitigate the effects of the sun. We have purchased window coverings for all the windows facing north and south, which, with the tinted windows, should allow us a very pleasant area to play cards, meet and exercise. Thanks to the efforts of Lauren Maher and Jim Worsley we have a very efficient and effective window covering system which will also serve to improve the acoustics in the building. They should be installed in a few weeks.

COVID-19 Protocol for The Centre

On Monday August 10, 2020 the residents who put together our COVID–19 protocol for using The Centre met to discuss how it can be directly applied to allow us to open The Centre and ensure that everyone is kept safe. What follows is the protocol we will be using to open and manage the activities at The Centre once we have organized and completed all of the many tasks still remaining to be done by our CCRA team of volunteers to get The Centre ready.

When this work has been completed, we can put into place a process through which residents can be allowed to enter and see the final product. We can well understand that everyone will be eager to enter The Centre and see the transformation that has taken place but we respectfully ask that you be patient for just a little bit longer until we get everything organized and put in place.

The one main safety message that we need everyone to understand is that to enter The Centre you must wear a mask. There are no exceptions as this is one of the proven methods of keeping everyone safe from spreading or contracting the virus. Please read on to see the protocol developed.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE SAFE REOPENING OF THE CENTRE

The Purpose of this Protocol

There is an increased risk for people who are 60 years and older when they contract COVID-19 which certainly applies to a large number of our residents. The purpose of this protocol is to decrease the chances of CCRA residents contracting the COVID-19 virus.

Number of People in The Centre

There will be a limit set for the number of people in the Centre at any given time for events.

Protocol and Precautions

A list of rules/precautions will be posted at the west and north entrance doors, in the kitchen and in all three of the bathroom areas. Extra signs will be placed in all the rooms reminding people to practice physical distancing of at least two metres (6 feet) and to wear their masks.

Personal Conduct Practices

In addition to keeping ourselves safe we all have an obligation to help keep others safe. Should you feel that you are not able to adhere to these requests, please do not enter The Centre. While in The Centre, the following practices are mandatory:

- Practice social distancing (minimum of 2 metres)
- Wear a face mask at all times inside The Centre. There will be a supply of extra masks and tissues at The Centre in case of loss or contamination
- Refrain from handshaking and physical contact
- Sneeze/cough into your elbow (sleeve)
- Use the hand sanitizers provided and wash your hands frequently
- Use the closed garbage bins to discard all tissues, masks etc.

Entrance and Exit Doors at Centre for Events

There will be an entrance door (east door) and an exit door (north door) to decrease close contact.

Entrance to The Centre for Events

There will be designated people at the entrances to interview all persons entering The Centre to determine if they:

- have travelled outside of Canada in the last fourteen days
- have had contact with a person who is known to be ill
- are personally feeling ill

A YES to any of the above will result in no entry to The Centre.

Tracking of visitors

Visitors must sign in so anyone, on entry, is aware that someone else is in the building. Sign-in for an event would be managed by the organizer of that event. A log book will be kept of all people entering The Centre in case someone does become ill, we can supply a list of contacts.

We must inform everyone that if they become ill, they must contact the COVID-9 contact person.

Entrance Sign-In

This "Entrance Sign- In" will ensure whoever is in the building has read the entrance requirements and has accepted responsibility for safety of themselves and others. In other words, by signing in you have read and accept the rules.

Mandatory Cleaning

Printed instructions for cleaning surfaces will be posted in the kitchen, library and on the bulletin board.

Procedures to Follow

For every planned activity designate a coordinator for the entrance to ensure that people follow the right protocol for entering and while in The Centre.

- Provide disposable masks and hand sanitizer at the entrance
- Provide hand sanitizer and latex free disposable gloves for the kitchen area (large fits all)
- Provide disposable liners for separate containers for the disposable gloves and masks
- Provide surface cleaner for all surface areas in The Centre
- All surfaces should be wiped twice with a proper disinfectant (Lysol wipes are one brand that are approved by the Public Health Inspectors)
- First wipe the surface, leave it wet, then follow immediately with a second clean wipe and let the surface air dry. This is procedure is acceptable by Public Health.

Regular Cleaning and Social Distancing

Assign volunteers to surface clean The Centre every morning (including door handles) and after each event:

- assign someone to keep a log of the list and the amount of supplies for Covid-19 in stock, to restock and reorder
- club or event-organizers (or designates) to oversee adherence to the protocol during their activity
- check sheet to see that the protocols for cleaning have been done daily and after events
- cards, playing pieces etc. should be wiped down before and after a playing session
- only preassigned people to be in the kitchen and in limited numbers
- tables should be set so that each chair is a minimum of 6 feet apart from the other tables and each person at the table is six feet apart.

The Board of Directors has approved the above protocol with the provision that as it is applied and as we learn what works best, changes can be made to improve its application.

Failure to follow this protocol will result in the closure of The Centre.

Issued by: Canterbury Transition Committee