CCRA INFORMATION BULLETIN

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<u>INTRODUCTION</u> Brenda Glover

This is a short edition this month, given the ongoing pandemic and the temporary closure, again, of The Centre. Nevertheless, the Board, its committees, and all the volunteers continue to work diligently on your behalf.

Watch for more news in an upcoming edition of *The Chronicle* or the next *Information Bulletin*.

LAND USE COMMITTEE

George Clapman

The Land Use Committee is a team of very knowledgeable residents representing various areas in Canterbury Common. The Committee is researching and planning for the future use of our new land based on your survey results. The survey said that you are interested in upgrading the land, returning a portion of the land to a natural forested state, and implementing low-cost activities rather than golf or racquet sports.

The Committee is researching the following opportunities:

- 1. **Landscaping** develop a plan to improve landscaping by planting native trees, wildflowers and grasses that are low maintenance with a goal of reducing the annual cost of \$6,500 to cut the lawn on "the Meadows" (former golf course land)
- 2. **Low-Cost Activities** Identify and implement low-cost outdoor activities
- 3. Walking Path allow easy access for residents by restoring the walking path
- 4. Outdoor Shelter a plan to build a "pathway patio" for social events and resident use

Throughout 2022, we will implement possible low-cost portions of our projects and gather feedback from current and new residents on the implementation of the higher-cost options. Our challenge is that it is taking longer than expected to gather information and obtain estimated costs, given the current environment and restrictions caused by COVID-19. Communication with contractors is difficult and they are booked well into 2022.

In early 2023, you will be invited to information sessions when we will share our findings and you will all have an opportunity to share your feedback with us.

George Clapham

PATHWAY – McCAW COURT TO THE CENTRE

The House & Property Committee has informed us that we should use caution if walking on this path. It can be deceiving and slippery as the days go on. Warning signs are posted to the entrance to the pathway. Use at your own risk.

REGION OF DURHAM WATER METER UPGRADES

The Region is implementing water meters that will be able to read your meter remotely. This will be very convenient for our residents as you will not have to read your water meter or have a representative come into your house to read the meter.

You will receive a letter from the Region that provides details, including an option to postpone your installation. For more information, see <u>Appointments being scheduled to replace outdated residential water meters - Region of Durham</u> or call the Water Department at <u>905-668-7711</u>.

IGNITE INTERNET INSTALLATION PROJECT

Thanks to John Nesbitt for overseeing the neighbourhood installation of Ignite internet. Through his efforts, we have saved \$6,000 in costs for The Centre. The project is almost completed, although you may still see a few flags throughout the neighbourhood.

Homeowners will then have an option to switch their home over to various bundles, at their own cost. Rogers and Bell will send out more information to you in due course. There may be introductory discounts.

More detailed information will be published in *The Chronicle*.