



Canterbury Common Residents' Association

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CCRA INFORMATION BULLETIN

November 2022

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lou Rocha

The Board of Directors met on November 21, 2022 at The Centre. The meeting began with three presentations from the House and Property committee. Malcolm Ward presented a proposal for solar lighting on Barry's Path from McCaw Court to The Centre. The proposal recommends ten low intensity, downward-facing lights along the path. The Board is considering the overall cost and the timing of the installation if it goes forward this year.

The second presentation by Wreyn Blimke was an update on projects in the Lakeside Meadows, formerly the first fairway, Eight benches have been received and are stored in the pool area. The pouring of the concrete pads is delayed due to weather conditions. The preparation of the four bunkers for flower planting has been rescheduled to next spring. The extension of Barry's Path will be completed next week. Dorothy Bull has found a designer for the dedication plaques for the benches donated by residents. Dorothy will share the artist's proofs before finalizing the order. The donors have contributed \$2,500 each plus approximately \$300 for a plaque.

The third presentation by George Clapham was a report on the quotes and designs for signage with the words "An Adult Lifestyle Community". The various designs will require additions or changes on the stone monuments at the entrances on Waterbury and Country Estates. One more design has been requested for standalone signs for each entrance. The Board will consider all the options in order to fulfill the previous motion from July 2021.

George Clapham has returned as Liaison Director for House and Property but has stepped down from the position of Vice-President. The Board approved the appointment of Lauren Maher to the position of Vice-President for the remainder of this term. Lauren has been Acting Vice-President during George's absence.

The Board received correspondence from Greenwood Retirement Communities in response to a letter from the Association. Following are the main points of the letter. The feasibility of the Greenwood project will be reviewed in the spring of 2023. Greenwood will comply with the Township of Scugog order to remove the fencing around the construction site at Country Estates and Simcoe and will hydroseed the property next spring.

The Board received a report on Procedures for Registering Member Records. The procedure details all of the functions that are being performed by Trish Irven who was contracted to manage the registration of new residents. Trish was contracted last spring to help with the registration of Homeowner Agreements.

The Board had a discussion about office services for the Board and committees. A consultation is underway with all committees to determine the scope of office services that are needed for the rest of this term. The role of Office Manager was held by volunteer Nora Senechal since April 2021. Nora has become the secretary of the Administration committee and continues to chair the Communications committee and organize Aquafit.

Treasurer Jim Cushnie presented the financial reports for the second quarter ending September 30. He outlined the status of the various reserve funds and reported the short term investments that have been made. The reports are available upon request to office@canterburycommon.ca.

Lauren Maher requested permission for the Social committee to hold a Food Drive event in the parking lot to support the local food bank. A one-day event was approved by the Board and notices will be sent to all residents.

Murray Smith reported three items from the Administration committee. A proposal is being prepared to reduce private bookings of The Centre to one day per weekend because of the heavy workload for volunteers and the additional cleaning costs. Storage issues in The Centre have been resolved with no cost to the Association. The pool committee met to discuss opening the north gate, new signs and volunteers for next year.

Gord Simmons presented an update on recent meetings with Geranium. Gord used a property map to illustrate the request for a berm on the old sixth fairway to reduce noise between Simcoe St. and the homes on Candlelight Court. Geranium will conduct an acoustic analysis for this issue. The developer has also agreed to address the waterflow problem at the north end of Barry's Path. Gord was very pleased to report that the Township has finally planted 18 trees above the retaining wall behind the Waterbury homes at the Greenwood site. This has been discussed with Geranium and the Township for several months. The President thanked Gord and the Canterbury Transition Committee for their patience and persistence over the last seven years.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Murray Smith

- Residents and committee members have seen many meetings held at the Centre that are not booked on the calendar. Please book all meetings, activities and events through suzannebrolley@gmail.com to avoid confusion and disappointment as it is leading to double bookings. If your group holds monthly meetings don't forget that they must be re-booked at the start of each year. For recurring monthly meetings please try to book in December or January for all meetings to be held in 2023. We are trying to avoid confusion as some meetings that have already booked are not getting the use of the centre.
- Our green initiative continues, we would like to remind all residents that when attending activities, meetings and events to bring their own cup if they would like to use the water cooler.
- The price of the fobs we use to enter The Centre, like many other things has gone up. If you are leaving the community, please return your fob to a member of the Administration Committee or slip it in the mail slot in the office door before you go.

The Administration Committee discussed the need for changes to be made to the guidelines for renting the centre for a private event.

The following items were put forward to the Board and were discussed and agreed upon and will take effect from January 1, 2023.

Private Rentals of the Centre

- Private functions will only be booked one day on any weekend. They may be booked Saturday OR Sunday but not both days.
- Residents booking private events will have 10 days to pay in full after their event is booked. They may pay by dropping their cheque in the mail slot in the office door.
- Private rental fees for all bookings with the exception of weddings is \$220
- Residents may book the Centre for weddings; the fee for weddings will be \$550.
- To ensure that all bookings in a month will pay the same fees the application form will have a disclaimer that states fees may be adjusted at any time. If an event has not been held (after the change in fees) the resident will be responsible for the difference in the new fee and the fee they paid.
- Private rentals will now only be able to rent the south hall.
- The total number of participants in any function booked as a private rental will be reduced to 80.
- Private rentals will not have use of the balcony outside the South Hall doors.
- If participants of a private rental function would like to have pictures taken, they may use the south hall or a designated area outside the centre (to be determined)
- Set up/preparation shall be determined on a case-by-case basis to be determined by availability of volunteers and community events already booked.
- The hours to be booked by any Private Rental event are to be 10:00 a.m. –10:30 p.m., with alarm being set at 11:00 p.m. with no exceptions.
- No more than two Private Rental Events may be booked by any household per calendar year.

ADOPT-A-BENCH PROGRAM

Dorothy Bull

Our first delivery of eight donated benches to be installed for our use in and around Canterbury Common arrived on November 16th. The donors are busy finalizing their designs for the bronze plaques that will be affixed to the benches. Unfortunately, the weather didn't co-operate in recent weeks so, the installation of concrete pads has been delayed and won't be completed, most likely, until the early spring.

If you are interested in donating a bench for June 2023, please contact me for more information before December 31st to ensure stock will be available. Payment is due before March 31, 2023 so there is plenty of time to plan for additional benches in the program.

GARDENS COMMITTEE

Marilyn Bowskill

Chairperson - (Still Looking)

The H&P committee is looking to fill the volunteer position of Garden Committee Chairperson. Duties would begin with next year's gardening season. If you are interested in pursuing/learning more about this opportunity please contact Wreyn (Ren) Blimke at blimkewreyn@gmail.com. Thank you

HOUSE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Acting Chair: Jim Worsley

Winter is back again and we would like to remind residents about sidewalk maintenance. Professional services are engaged for snow removal on sidewalks throughout the Canterbury Commons Community. Home owners are responsible for clearing any build up of ice or snow in front of their properties that can occur due to wind and or freezing and thawing in between contracted clearings. This will allow sidewalks to be safe to walk on at all times.

ARTISAN GROUP

Birgit Pullen

The format for the Artisan Group has changed slightly. We will now meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Centre. We had a huge response for this particular group and due to space constraints, can't accommodate more participants at this time. However, due to the fact that some people will be away during the winter months, I will start a "waiting list" for residents that are interested in this activity. If you would like to be put on this list, please let me know by contacting me at birgit.pullen@gmail.com. Our last session for 2022 will be on November 29th. We will resume in the New Year in February. I would welcome anyone that would be willing to share their talents, be it as a former teacher or just someone who has done some art or a unique project and is willing to share that with this group, to let me know. Any help would be greatly appreciated!

BID EUCHRE

Murray Lennox

We need your support if you want euchre to continue. On one Monday, unfortunately one of our members had to go home because five showed up. This is a great game with keen interest but we need you. Thanks Jack for stepping in when I am not here!

CANTERBURY CHRISTMAS CHORUS

Frances Grove

The Canterbury Christmas Chorus is on hold until further notice. Perhaps we can carry our new tradition of having an outdoor or indoor Christmas Carol night. If this is something that interests you, please contact Lucille Huron.

CHAIR YOGA

Sharon Stevens-Hazelton

We certainly had a lovely Fall, and it looks like Winter has arrived! The fall session will be wrapping up on December 5th, and the winter session will be announced shortly. Further details will be on the CCRA calendar. No previous experience is necessary. If you're thinking of joining, you're welcome to drop by to observe a class. We've had some new participants join us for this restorative and relaxing class. Pre-registration is required. We look forward to seeing you there!

POOL AND DART BOYS

Mike Pullen

We meet on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Centre for a game of friendly pool and darts. We watch a game (if one is on) on the TV downstairs as well. We have resumed for the fall and winter now. All are welcome, bring your own beverage and enjoy some male company!

For more information contact: Mike Pullen at mmpullen@gmail.com

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Lauren Maher

We regret having to cancel our Holiday Festivities at The Centre, but encourage you to visit The Centre during the Holiday Season to see the amazing job our "volunteers" have done to get us in the Holiday Spirit. The Centre will be decorated on November 26th.

Watch for details regarding a Food Drive for Operation Scugog Food Bank to be held in the parking lot at The Centre.

WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS

Welcome Committee

Canterbury would like to extend a warm welcome to the 12 new families who already have moved into their homes on Holtby Court. By the end of December, a total of 18 families will have moved in, with another 6 families joining us in January 2023. If you see a new face on the street or at The Centre, please say hello as it probably belongs to one of our new neighbours.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Gord Simmons

Installation of Generators

A few generators have been installed in Canterbury and several residents are still researching the installation requirements. John Nesbitt has pursued the definition of a non-opening window with the city and the following explanation should simplify things for residents.

Nick Dawkins, the Chief Building Official for the Township of Scugog, has explained that there are no specific rules other than that the contractor needs to install it per the instructions of the manufacturer and any other laws governing their trade. If the contractor's violate laws concerning clearances/or opening windows their licences can be revoked. Nick also explained that the Technical Standards and Safety Authority (TSSA) is the governing body for such regulations.

The TSSA website provides a definition of acceptable ways to make a window compliant. It seems that a screw in the frame and silicone caulking is fine if accompanied by removing a handle and placing a sign on the window. This simplifies things and greatly reduces costs. As an extra precaution it was suggested that a carbon monoxide detector be installed in the room below the window.

TSSA directions are as follows: TSSA will allow the discharge opening within 10 feet of a window that is non-operable. Non-operable is interpreted as a window that either has fixed glass or a window that has been designed to be operable, but has been rendered as non-inoperable by installing screws which fix the window shut, sealing the joints with silicon and permanently removing the mechanism designed to open the window.

In addition, a permanent label, suitable to the environment shall be affixed to the window seating, which states: WARNING this window is non-operable. Making it operable may create a carbon monoxide hazard. The word WARNING shall be a minimum of 1.8 inches in height.

December 2022						
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