



Embellissement VANIER Beautification

Tuesday, October 16, 2012
Le Centre Francophone
270 Marier Av.
6:30 pm to 8 pm

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MINUTES

Attendees: Marguerite Beaulieu, Lucie Marleau, Francine Demers, Nathaniel Mullin, Dan Shipley, Lynne Zeitouni, Helena Arruda, Jean Wood, Geoff Derry, Michelle Nash, Allana MacIntosh, Christine Head, Sheila Paterson, Ray Garner, Nicole Li, Stefan Cherry, Geneviève Dery, Tina Delaney, Mathieu Fleury, Roseanne Leonard, Mike Bulthuis

1. **Welcome and Introductions** (5th anniversary cake, group photo, draws and many more surprises)
 - Marguerite welcomed everyone and revealed the new banner
 - Francine announced that Embellissement Vanier Beautification has won a Community Safety award for Volunteer Program
 - Marguerite to speak at the National Municipalities Conference
 - Introductions completed by attendees
2. **Approval of Minutes from September 18, 2012**
Minutes approved by members
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Agenda approved by members
4. **News from Co-chairs:**
 - Abandoned shopping carts consultation (Tina)
 - Suggestion for bylaw regarding abandoned shopping cart problem
 - Businesses need to assume responsibility as they are losing thousands of dollars in carts
 - Ends up costing the consumers and the city who spend money collecting them
 - Call 311 if you see shopping carts
 - Support letters for our application for CPO's Community Safety Award (Lucie)
 - Special thank you given to CSCV, Mike Bulthuis and Mathieu Fleury for writing supporting letters
 - Mayor's Breakfast, June 11, 2012
 - Community leaders met to discuss issues
 - Vanier issues included crime, prostitution and Montreal Rd. businesses
 - Assumption School Building Day, June 16, 2012
 - Marguerite participated along with many volunteers to build gardens, playgrounds, etc. at the school
 - Bobby's Table provided all the food
5. **Follow-up to previous agenda items:**
 - Elections
 - Tina to take Lucie's place as co-chair

- Lucie will remain a part of the group, but in a more background role
 - This will be Marguerite's last year as co-chair
 - CSCV presented Lucie with a gift
- "I Love Vanier" buttons, fundraiser for the Vanier Community Garden (Lucie)
 - Suggestion to sell buttons year round
 - Lucie looking for someone to take over sales, or at least provide assistance
 - No one has volunteered yet
- Constable Marc Daviault has returned
 - Replaced Mike Hunt, who isn't bilingual
- Vanier Cleanup Day, Marier Park, October 13th 10 am (Tina)
 - The parade route and Vanier Parkway were both cleaned
 - Occurred as part of the Clean the Capital Campaign
- Volunteer Program Award for Crime Prevention Ottawa's 4th Annual Community Safety Awards
 - Will happen on Monday, Nov. 5th from 5 to 7 p.m. at City Hall
 - RSVP to cpo-pco@ottawa.ca

6. New business

- Combining CPO's version of our membership list with the one on our Gmail Account, volunteer needed
 - Tabled to next meeting
- Update the meeting announcements in the media (new meeting location), looking for volunteer
 - Tabled to next meeting
- Curio photos / Richelieu Centre lobby
 - Tabled to next meeting
- Bi-weekly garbage pickup: impact on our community (Lucie & Nathaniel), Ray Garner
 - 2011 solid waste contracts end October 29th
 - Starting the week of October 29th, there will be bi-weekly garbage collection
 - Solid Waste Management (city) bid on new contracts; by the city bidding, prices are kept in check, ensuring that independent contractors aren't taking too much from the city
 - Won zones 4 and 5 (downtown and Orleans), but gave zone 4 to the next highest bidder.
 - Ray's city crews will be collecting in Vanier
 - There will be a reduction of vehicles going down each street
 - A single vehicle will collect both organics and recycling; safer streets as a result
 - \$10,000,000 in savings annually
 - Collection zones are changing, but this will not affect Vanier
 - Anywhere in the city, there will always be blue box collection at the same time as garbage collection
 - By inputting your address at http://www.ottawa.ca/en/garbage_recycle/garbage/collection_calendar/index.html, you can find out your collection schedule
 - Can also sign up for email, twitter, or phone message reminders
 - If there are issues with waste collection, call 311
 - Bylaw looks after calls re: waste that has been put out too early
 - Response time should be within one or two days
 - Fines to homeowner or resident
 - Contractor has to pay for and replace broken bins
- Halloween Walkabout & Safe Zone at Partage Vanier Oct. 31st from 5:30 to 8 p.m. (Lucie & Stefan)
 - Volunteers needed
 - Kids and families doing trick or treating can stop by, warm up and learn about community organizations
 - Walkabout leaving Partage Vanier at 6:30 p.m.; will last about an hour
 - Beautification will have a table
- Vanier Community Forum on Saturday Nov. 3rd, 2012 at Richelieu Centre
 - Register at <http://www.ottawa.ca/vanierforum>
 - Designed to talk about what is important as a community
 - Exchange and create ideas
- Art and Culture Day on Saturday, December 1, 2012
 - Volunteers needed
 - Celebration of all forms of art
 - Will take place from McArthur to Beechwood and on Montreal
 - 12pm to 9pm
 - Restaurants will be participating
 - Name/theme of the day - C'est Chill
 - Hope to make it an annual event

- Cleanup of Remembrance Day parade route on Sun. Nov. 11th, 2012
 - Volunteers needed
 - Leaving the Cenotaph at 9 a.m.
 - Will take about an hour depending on how many people show up
 - Beautification will have their own wreath

7. Community Partners

- Association communautaire de Vanier (ACV) / Vanier Community Association (VCA)
 - Cycling meeting at 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Oct. 23rd at 255 Montreal Rd.
 - Working group around enhancing safe cycling in Vanier
- Bureau du Conseiller Mathieu Fleury / Councillor Mathieu Fleury's office
 - Bi-weekly pick up
 - Draft budget to be released next week (week of Oct. 22nd)
 - Public input re: budget on November 1st at City Hall; 4 p.m.
 - Funding the building of the Donald St. pedestrian bridge – Somerset to Donald
 - Funding sidewalk renewal and cycling infrastructure
- Centre des services communautaires de Vanier (CSCV) / Vanier Community Service Centre (VCSC)
 - French program – moms and daughters (could be nieces or other female family members aged 10-18) encouraged to come out and dance
- Prévention du crime Ottawa (PCO) / Crime Prevention Ottawa (CPO)
 - Taking Action Together: Addressing Gangs in Our City – Public Forum from 6:30 to 9 pm at City Hall, Wednesday, October 17th
 - Moderated by CBC's Adrian Harewood; guest speakers/panellists from 7 to 8 p.m., public questions and comments from 8 to 9 p.m.
 - Public input will be used to guide discussion on the full-day, invite only Leadership Symposium on Oct. 18th
- Wabano
 - New facility should be open by the end of spring and is currently available for event booking
 - Annual General Meeting on Friday, October 26th from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Richelieu Vanier Community Centre
 - There will be a feast and an Elder will be present
 - Optimiste Park Mural design revealed
 - Christine will leave Wabano at the end of October, but will continue working in Ottawa with the Aboriginal Community

8. Other:

If you need peonies, contact Lynne – she has lots!
Jean Wood added to attendance list

9. Next meeting:

Tuesday, November 20, 2012

Refreshments:

Drinks: Tina

Food: Tina

Don't forget your receipts! **important to submit them even when using the CSCV donated gift card**