



Embellissement VANIER Beautification

Tuesday, December 18, 2012
CSCV /VCSC
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Minutes

Attendance:

Marguerite Beaulieu, Tina Delaney, Suzan Proulx, Sheila Paterson, Nycole Beaudin, Geoff Dery, Maryse Glaude-Beaulieu, Allana MacIntosh, Stefan Cherry, Lucie Marleau, Geneviève Déry, Lynne Zeitouni, Nathaniel Mullin, Francine Demers (recorder)

1. Welcome and Introductions

Marguerite welcomed everyone.

Introductions done by 14 attendees.

Michel Gervais, Executive Director of VCSC, stopped by and thanked members for all the work the committee did in 2012 and said he was looking forward to 2013.

2. Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2012

Minutes were approved by members.

3. Approval of Agenda

Agenda was approved by members

4. News from Co-chairs:

- Highlights of the year 2012
 - o Copy distributed to members, will be sent by e-mail to all members
 - o We have been "busy bees" in 2012
- Letter of support written for VCA's Community Fund Application
 - o The letter was circulated to those present. The application was for "The better neighbourhood program" funding.
- Information session where Minto representatives will give an overview of the plans for the Beechwood fire site. January 16, 2013 at 7 pm. Memorial Hall of McKay United Church at the corner of Dufferin Road and MacKay Street.
 - o Members must sign up and are recommended to go as early as possible as a large number of people are expected.

5. Follow-up to previous agenda items:

- Art and culture Day "C'est chill" – December 1st

- Absolute great day despite the cold- good success for a first year, suggestions for improvements are welcome
- There were no posters on McArthur Avenue
- Debriefing meeting will be held in January at the BIA-comments to send to Tina or Marguerite
- Combining CPO's version of our membership list with the one on our Gmail Account (Suzan Proulx)
 - The list was done and will be given to co-chairs
 - Thank You Suzan
- Media announcements: EMC, Perspectives Vanier, others, looking for volunteer
 - Susan Proulx accepted to do it and will discuss with Marguerite on the details on what needs to be done
- Winter Carnival, February 16th, 2013
 - Meeting was held a couple of weeks ago and the organizers are looking for ideas
 - Beautification or other organizations can participate at the event
 - The Vanier Winter Carnival will officially be associated with Winterlude / Bal de Neige
 - Outside and inside activities are foreseen
 - Indoor activities for children will be provided at the Library and at the Centre Richelieu
 - The Vanier Survey
 - could be done during the event-volunteers to help fill out the survey(seniors)- it will also be in Perspectives Vanier and on Survey Monkey
 - Same questions were added and others modified but will be compatible with last survey
 - Hockey game on the rink-OPS will be playing with the children
 - The "Love Vanier" Buttons will be for sale
 - Suggestions:
 - Arts tent- local artists
 - Snow volleyball tournament was suggested-contact students from Schools
 - Marguerite willing to sell traditional dancing bonhommes, musical spoons and French Canadian sashes
- Sale of buttons as fund raiser for our Community Garden (Lucie)
 - Wonderful news- reached our goal of \$300 with 2\$ extra in sales-to sponsor a box at the community garden
 - Community Garden is very grateful
 - Still have some "I love Vanier buttons" available-CSCV Vanier will continue to make more to help Beautification raise money for minor expenses
 - Thank you for everyone who helped to sell them- Thank you Lucie for conveying the idea
 - 2nd successful fundraiser this year- Wabano tile and now the community Garden-Bravo everybody
 - Very popular button:
 - Someone saw Marguerite on Rogers and wanted one
 - Michelle Nash wanted more information for an article
 - Christian Marcoux gave buttons to a group performing at the NAC and the group wore it in Japan
 - Stefan gave one to the Police chief
 - Catholic women's league sold 20 buttons to support us
 - We could pick different places to sell them-centre Richelieu, Bobby's Table- etc

6. New business

- « Who to call » (hand out)
 - Distributed to members and put on website
 - Abandoned Shopping carts – some members called 311 to be told that it was not the City's responsibility but it is –the Councillor's office will communicate with 311 and remind them that the carts are to be picked up
 - Nathaniel to send update for OCH Safety Services and NCC Property to include on "Who to Call" list
 - NCC -613-239-5353
 - Helena to try and get the list in Perspectives Vanier
- Newspaper clippings, paper and electronic
 - If members see any articles on Vanier, send them to Marguerite
 - Lucie received the Diamond Jubilee and an article in the Sturgeon Falls newspaper was written in which Crime Prevention Ottawa and Beautification were mentioned. BRAVO LUCIE!

- Facebook page- articles are posted- members are asked to “like” our page. Marguerite added the Facebook link in the signature of the group
- **2013** “Wish List” from our members for discussion at our next meeting in January
 - Brought forward to next meeting

7. Community Partners

- Association communautaire de Vanier (ACV) / Vanier Community Association (VCA)
 - Brief meeting last meeting-developing a new logo- 2 were brought forward and a decision to be made in 2013
 - Meeting of Executive in December and regular meeting in January
 - Grant application was made with “Better neighbourhood program” -grant is money available as a credit account – More details to follow as they come. Projects with program:
 - Wayfaring signs
 - Bulletin boards, adopt a bulletin board,
 - Crowd mapping project-online map that will indicate that are on the wayfaring sign with codes for events
 - “Festival of nations” multicultural event, cultural, arts, music, all kinds of celebration, -could close Montreal road for a day and have lots of activities- more details to come in January 2013
- Bureau du Conseiller Mathieu Fleury / Councillor Mathieu Fleury’s office :
 - Working with Lucie on a couple of items-the paramedics on Montreal Road to clean their outdoor area following complaints from our group
 - Virtual Christmas card was sent to everyone – and paper cards to those without internet
 - Mathieu Fleury’s office donated to the goody drive for Operation Come Home
- Centre des services communautaires de Vanier (CSCV) / Vanier Community Service Centre (VCSC)
 - VCSC has a new space where the December meeting was held.
 - Thank you all for making *Déjeuner des Flocons / Snowflake Breakfast* a big success-\$32 thousand were raised – the goal was \$15 thousand
 - \$366 dollars of tickets were sold by Beautification for the *Déjeuner des Flocons / Snowflake Breakfast*
 - Tomorrow and Thursday, magasin partage, subsidized grocery store to low income family – wonderful opportunity
 - Grant proposal to Trillium for Crime Prevention liaison position-waiting for response
 - Survey will be launched in February
 - From January 4th till 18th -Contact Helena- as Stefan will be away
 - Coffee house-January 24th- talk about Crime prevention–how to start a *neighbourhood watch*
 - Thursday, 7:30 pm - Centre Richelieu skate rink, need volunteers- posters to be distributed
- Prévention du crime Ottawa (PCO) / Crime Prevention Ottawa (CPO)
 - Tonight is Francine’s last for taking notes- Marguerite presented a 2013 calendar with Embellissement Vanier Beautification pictures for each month- members will be signing the calendar. Heartfelt thanks were offered to Francine for her services and good humour.
 - New staff Rahmat Shahidi to replace Michael Justinich on January 7th, 2013
- Wabano
 - Courtney sent 2 names to Stefan-community engagement people- Marguerite will see if someone would come to future meeting.

8. Next meeting:

- Tuesday, January 15th, 6:30 p.m.
- Refreshments:

Drinks:_____already in stock_____

Food:__Genevière Déry

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

