

BRIDLEWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Monthly Meeting – November 17, 2020

EXECUTIVE: Mark Kozlowski, President; Marc Favreau, 1st Vice-President; Danny Gress, 2nd Vice-President; Trevor Mulligan, Treasurer; Brenda Merkley, Secretary.

CALL TO ORDER: President Mark Kozlowski called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mark Kozlowski moved and Matt Hamilton seconded a motion to approve the Agenda. Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Brenda Merkley moved and Trevor Mulligan seconded a motion to approve minutes from the meeting of October 20, 2020. Carried.

CORPORATE SPONSOR PRESENTATION: The Lunch Lady

- Since COVID has meant that the schools are not offering the lunch program anymore, the Lunch Lady has moved to delivery family pack and go meals, including individual size and family (4 or 6) size meals with free delivery.
- The Lunch Lady has also donated over 300 meals to hospital staff, and over 200 meals to Womens' shelters – in part through donations from account balances of clients who chose to donate on the Lunch Lady.
- There are also options for schools to still benefit from fundraisers through the Lunch Lady

KANATA SOUTH UPDATE: Councillor Hubley provided updates about the following:

- Budget was going through committees and was expected to have final budget available mid-December. Information could be found on the

City website; however no big expenditures were expected due to COVID.

- The BCA and Bridlewood residents are being asked to look for locations where city could contribute some money towards improvements, including benches that are in need of repair, places to plant trees, and equipment at parks that need updating/repair. There are already plans to update older parks getting close to their life cycle – including Shetland/Palomino parks.
- Updates to the JJ Clarke park were approved in the City plans, with the design phase taking place in 2020 and the planned implementation being in 2021.
- Commercial growth is continuing – including in the new complex at the corner of Cope and Eagleson. While this complex was fully leased, because of COVID not all of the businesses are moving in.
- Plans are still in the works to extend Michael Copeland to Terry Fox which will increase traffic into these areas.
- Councillors across the city will be offering a Letter to Santa program – including in Ward 23 instead of the usual Wagon Rides. Contact ward23events@gmail.com to reserve your Letter to Santa and to get details of the socially distanced pick-up plan.

Councillor Hubley responded to residents' questions about the following:

- updates to the Kanata Lakes Golf Course development plans – City plans to write a letter which will not support the proposal.
- Complaints of activity near Eva James skate park where people are going onto the road in front of oncoming traffic. Councillor Hubley advised that if this behaviour is seen, residents are encouraged to call 911 as it is an active threat to people's safety. Police are aware of the issue, and are planning on increasing patrols in the area as a result.

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT UPDATE: Karen McCrimmon provided updates about the following:

- Priorities for her office include the Phase 3 LRT, West Carleton Internet, and various COVID ongoing challenges.
- News of multiple Vaccine candidates for which Canada had purchased doses in advance. It is noted that a single dose does not appear to be enough, and likely another booster, at possibly the 5-month mark would be required.

- The priority of the Government is healthy Canadians first, because if the people are healthy, the economy will follow.
- If there are any questions or ideas, residents are strongly encouraged to reach out to Karen McCrimmon's office – particularly by e-mail.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RINKS: Kodiak expanded their support of the rink maintenance to 3 additional rinks which now have widened access to allow the tractor to gain access. Volunteers are still needed at many of the rinks.

SPORTS COMMITTEE: No updates

DEVELOPMENT: Not much coming up in terms of development.

BRIDLEWOOD BUSINESS NETWORK: Still working on virtual meeting option

SPRING SPORTS: City reached out for field allotments – requests submitted for the same access as previous years in hopes there might be a possibility to run the program as in the past.

SAFETY COMMITTEE: Callout for volunteers to assist with this committee. Traffic is much more regular since the roundabouts were open – may look into seeing if there is a need for additional crosswalks. Residents are encouraged to offer suggestions for where these might be needed.

COMMUNICATIONS: Renewals for the new year are now available – messaging coming on the websites.

WEBSITE: Hitesh Patel (Mandira Solutions Inc) is looking to create new product images for the website including for new masks that will be made available for purchase.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Halloween contest was a great success with prizes being offered for pumpkins and decorations. Remembrance Day ceremony – BCA sponsored a wreath donation to be laid at the Cenotaph. 12 Days of Christmas

promotion will be back with many surprises in store. No December social gathering will be planned this year.

CORPORATE: Will be looking for ways to support businesses extremely negatively affected by COVID – maybe on Facebook.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Gift Baskets – two baskets were given by the BCA to each of the Long-Term Care Homes in the area – one for the health care workers and one for the Maintenance staff at each facility. These were very appreciated by the staff.**
- **The owner of the local Tim Hortons donated approximately 80 of the NHL Mini-sticks to be used as gifts by the BCA as needed in place of what they used to provide in the way of free coffee for the BCA meetings.**
- **BCA Masks will be available for purchase – 3-layer masks will be sold for 10\$ each or 15\$ with membership. Adults only for now, might look into kids sizing in the future. Sales only available online, and delivery in the community is available.**
- **Chartwells is planning a food dire on the 11th of December to benefit the Kanata Food Cupboard – contact Chelsea Bradley at cbradley@chartwell.com or 613-818-7824**
- **Parks presentation given with pictures and summary of needs of each of the 14 parks and 9 rinks in Bridlewood and where updates might be needed. Lance to look into Parks Master Plan from the 1990s to compare to current Master Plan. Might be a possible way to use up some of the BCA park reserve fund. Suggestions can be sent to either Marc Favreau or Mark Kozlowski.**

NEXT MEETING: December 15, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Mark Kozlowski moved and Danny Gress seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Robertson