

Blackburn Community Association

Agenda – April 20th, 2017

7:00 p.m. –Directors Meeting – Lauras home

1. Call to Order – Laura
2. Laura – Discussion regarding options for rental or construction of a storage area for the BCA and events. \$10 square-foot per rental lease. We are considering a custom size shed storage on city land but managed by us. Ali is discussing the land behind the arena to discuss exactly where and how large the unit should be to meet our needs.

Ali will continue to pursue the options such as containers or a full construction.

Insurance is also an option to consider
3. Speed sign – thank you for not speeding. Can we propose an alternative and have a discussion. Fix the radar sign
4. Minutes from previous meeting (jeff ?)
5. Treasurer Report – Al Ross – tried the new cloud quick books, not preferred. 6500 negative but this is typical.
6. Brent Lawrie – Fun Fair *report attached*. Money committed but we require an outline-budget.
7. Ian Chamberland – Canada Day Event *report attached* No additional purchases but Laura will attempt to gather some additional from other community associations.
8. John Balint – Bike Skills run through the city at the community hall May 6th.

Volunteers needed and possible helmets or helmet vouchers would be beneficial.

30 signed up so far with possible up to 100 kids attending.

9. Ali Yassine– Tractor Uses – used to its full potential for snow clearing. Attachment came with it for grass cutting. Suggestion storing the tractor and trailer in the backyard of J&S free of charge. Agreed.
10. Ali Yassine - Volunteer Support – Split the cost of repairing the snow blower of a generous community member who helped us out. An agreement needs to be drafted to limit the commitment to a reasonable amount of \$200 1 time.
11. Auramarina Sawyer – Community Hall *report attached*
12. Directors reports – any that weren't sent in but attending (notes taken)
13. Laura Dudas – Strategic Priorities Planning – report sent in email
- Splash pad is back burnered until a community spearheaded committee is formed in the future.
- Storage shed on par with beautification. 30-50k
- Beautification project – increased budget 50k for 3 year project.
- Gazebo discussed - issues considered with vandalism.
- Identifying the needs of low income families and access 10k to access community classes and events.
- Cycling gaps and safety – 5k
14. Round table discussion for any open items
15. Adjournment

Brent Lawrie – Fun Fair Report

Due to work obligations, I may not be able to attend this Thursday's meeting, however, I would also like to add a request to the agenda for \$10K for the FunFair this year. The theme for this year's FunFair is Canada 150 and we are giving back to the community, for years of their support, some free events including such things as the youth dance, free entertainment for the Friday night Craft Brew Night, stage rental for the weekend, a bigger fireworks display, more free ride coupons for the kids, and other activities which are pending confirmation. Sponsorship seems to be lower this year, probably due to

higher commitments to the Canada 150 celebrations, which is understandable. We still want to have a great community event for Blackburn and the \$10k would help ensure that. This would be greatly appreciated.

Ian Chamberland – Canada Day Celebrations

The purchase and use of Canada 150 and Ottawa 2017 banners, flags, signs, (gear) at our BCA events this year.

Details:

Canada 150th and Ottawa 2017 have created logo's which can be used on various display media for the events being held across the City/country. The use of the logo must be requested and approved before it can be used by any group/vendor, etc.

There are at least three events which could benefit, and (in my mind) should display the logo's when they take place this year, this includes the funfair, the Canada Day fireworks and the 2017 Special event. I can additionally think of the fun run as well.

However, the process for application and approval is somewhat complex and would require a fair amount of work. So I would suggest that the BCA look to purchase and use "gear" which is available without the hassle.

There is approved merchandise available for purchase directly from the city and the federal government. I would like to have a short discussion on the purchase and use of these at our events this year.

At our meeting I will put forward a motion to request up to \$2000 for the purchase of this display merchandise for use by all BCA related/sanctioned events.

Auramarina Sawyer – Community Hall

I am about to put together the invoices for the groups who use the hall on a regular basis. The invoices will cover Jan - August 31st 2017 including the locker rentals. After this, I can start to use the new hall prices that come into effect starting Sept. 1st, 2017.

We have had a lot of complaints with the hall cleanliness after events. I am reminding folks to clean the kitchen and the hall after their event. Here's hoping that this does not continue.