

**Blackburn Community Association (BCA)  
Minutes for Thursday, November 21, 2013**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Al Ross  
Sheryl Tracy  
Jeff Miller  
Ali Yassine  
Helen Rousseau  
Trisha Cloutier

**GUESTS:**

Kierra Beament	Wilda Sanders	George Bushell
Roland Sanders	Robin Myers	Andre Clouter
Edouarda Torre	Jean Paul Yelle	Frank Blais
Francis Kenny	Myrna Brown	Annick Laporte
Irene Robertson	John Robertson	Lynn Leduc
Jessica Faure	Barbara Whittaker	Ron Cownchuck
Paul Cardegna	Eloi Duguay	Roland Bealeu
Bill Bratt	Luke Lapointe	J. Woodsworth
Kim M.	Michel Haddad	Donna Wells
B, Jackson	Dave Thorton	Michael Taft
Marilyn O'Keefe	Gerald Pollex	Rainer Bloess
Joan Pollex	Lucienne Moncrieff	Bob Black
Laurence Moncrieff		Renate Peters
Murray & Sue Lawton		Lindsay Anderson
Sean Anderson	Teresa L.	

**CALL TO ORDER**

Al Ross called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORTS**

Parks & Rec: Ali is looking for volunteers again for the rinks. He needs people to help with flooding as well as monitors. Looking forward to Hockey Day in the Hamlet next year. Date to be determined.

Treasurer: Al Ross has been trying to find someone to give a quote for repairs to the entrance signs.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Resident Lindsay Anderson requested that there be a town hall meeting with Just Food in order to re-visit community concerns. Their wish is to have Just Food post-pone the signing of a long term lease with the NCC until more questions can be answered. The current lease ends December 31, 2013. Main concerns include livestock, digester, farmland and effect on neighbouring homes. Residents also request there be more communication between Just Food and the public including but not limited to regular updates. IE: changes in their plans, what to expect to see on the site come 25 years and the impact on the community.

Lindsay Anderson proposed there be a community agreement with Just Food that could outline the way they communicate news and how often.

The BCA will formally contact Just Food to make arrangements for a town hall meeting in the near future.

Jessica Fore spoke on behalf of the Glen Ogilvie school regarding transportation. Buses have been reduced and there are many more students walking and getting dropped off by their parents. Her hope is to make people aware of the students and to be careful when driving in the community.

Tennis Club: Barry Jackson spoke on behalf of the club. They are planning for major repairs to the courts in the near future and are looking for help. The cost are approx \$5000 per court with a life expectancy of about 10 years. There has not been funding available to this club for many years. The club has \$20,000 saved and needs to raise an additional \$16,000 over the next 8 years to reach the goal. They are asking for some assistance from the BCA. Helen motioned that we delay a decision until next meeting.

Upcoming events are:

Pancake breakfast Dec 14<sup>th</sup>

BCA sponsored public skate Nov 17<sup>th</sup>. Great turn out – approx 150 were there. Free hot chocolate was served.

Annick Laporte spoke about the lights at Southpark and Innes. There is no advanced walk signal and drivers need to be more careful when turning left at the lights. She is hoping that there can be an advance walk for pedestrians.

**Meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm.**