# Minutes - MGPDOA Meeting Monday June 26, 2017

## Cathy Guttek's home

**Opening:** Meeting called to order 7:10PM

- In attendance: Colin Lang, Cathy Guttek, Don Lowrie, Kathy Boyanisky, Frank Machovec, Cathy Kelly, Sharon Wiens, Bev Shafirka, Bryan Bishop
- Regrets: Ryan Davies, Susan Paul, Heather Hartry, Peter Bohonos, Michelle Lagadi
- Meeting chaired by Colin Lang.

#### **Guests** / Introduction

## Future meeting schedule:

Location / time TBD

# **Previous meetings Minutes Approval**

Don made a motion to approve the minutes of the May  $9^{th}$  meeting. Cathy G  $2^{nd}$  - All in favour - motion carried.

## **Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

#### **Vice-President Position**

Colin opened the meeting for nominations for Vice President. Frank nominates Sharon Wiens. Kathy B 2<sup>nd</sup> - voted as Vice President by acclamation.

#### **Presidents Report:**

Colin reports meeting with Jessica, City of Winnipeg rep - issues discussed included poop bag dispenser (City asked to be presented with options - if we buy them the City will install them); Proposed billboard/kiosk will need a permit and installer - will be seeking a meeting with Bryan Mayes, City Council regarding initial plans and proposed grant \$\$.

\*Ryan Davies has resigned his position - he is moving.

-Bryan offered to reach out to Ryan to get a list of marketing contacts for continuity of the marketing plans.

Vice Presidents Report: N/A

Treasurer Report: Cathy Guttek

Cathy G provided an update - balance in account \$5328.22 in addition to the amount collected for memberships \$410.00.

\*Cathy moved to adopt Treasury Report - Sharon 2nd - All in favour. Motion carried.

Marketing Report: N/A

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Membership Report:

Submitted by Don Lowrie:

Membership Chair Report June 26, 2017

#### Membership:

As of June 19, 2017 the association has 449 member households, 48 new members from the membership drives in June bring the number who are current to 160.

## Park Signage:

An inventory of existing signage was circulated at the May meeting for comments, the next step will see the inventory transposed to the park layout drawing.

#### Newsletter:

Status is unchanged from April. Collecting submissions/input from board members and would like to send out our date for the next park event with the first issue.

## Membership Automation Proposal:

MGPDOA has been approached by Leah Thompson, currently a student of the Software Development program at Red River College, Leah has expressed an interest in sharing her expertise towards developing a system that makes renewing a Maple Grove membership easier.

Sharon Wiens and I met with Leah to explore the feasibility and from our discussion, we believe that it is possible to harness the power of the "Mail Chimp" and "Pay Pal" software automation capabilities to accept new members applications and fees on our web page and Facebook In addition "Mail Chimp" can be programmed to: greet new members, auto remind existing members of pending expiry and maintain a comprehensive data base on our members, without incurring any additional costs.

\*\*Don made a motion to proceed with the project, Cathy K 2<sup>nd</sup> - all agreed.

## Other discussion on memberships:

\*Lively discussion about membership fees and schedule and length for renewal. Proposal was made to have each membership purchased run for one year (so that renewal date is the anniversary of the purchase date - the new system should capture the data required to manage memberships)

Vote on above: All in favour - 6 votes - opposed - 2 votes - motion carried.

\*Motion put forward to define that one membership purchased buys one vote - Kathy B - Cathy G  $2^{nd}$ .

## **Events Report:**

## Heather provided a summary document to be reviewed and tabled:

# Membership Drive

Two membership dates were held in June 2017. The evening event on June 7 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM included a cleanup and generally went well. We had two tables at that event. This led to some confusion and I don't think I would recommend that again. Instead maybe put a bigger sign up the day of the event pointing to where we are or get someone to stand there and direct people.

The second event held from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM during the day and also went well. The results were quite good and Don Lowrie can fill in the actual number details. The event brought up again the need to again discuss how long someone's membership lasts if they buy in the spring or anytime before the Fall BBQ. It is still creating confusion.

We gave away a prize for the cleanup (\$25 Tim Horton's card and coffee mug) and that went to Irene Nowostawski.

We gave away 2 prizes for the membership drive. Colleen Wall was the winner of two tickets to the CFL game between the Blue Bombers and Edmonton on June 15, 2017. Thanks to Bryan Bishop for donating this prize.

Sandy Sexsmith won the membership draw for a dog welcome figurine.

Everyone was very happy with their prizes.

We gave away most of the left over pop from last year but still have some chips and water left.

Submitted by Heather Hartry

Director of Events

# Policy & Procedures: Current status

Bev provided update on the Policy & Procedure work done to date. Bev shared the specific work done and discussion ensued. Bev and her group will continue the work over the summer and report back at next meeting.

1. \*Will work towards deadline of 2017 AGM Meeting - Only Governance documents need to go to AGM for member approval. Board approval is needed prior to the AGM.

Other Board Members reports: N/A

Ongoing Business: N/A

**New Business:** 

\*will defer discussion about fall BBQ until next meeting - TBA

## Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:35PM - Don L moved - Kathy 2nd - all in favour.

## Mailing Addresses of Board: TO BE VERIFIED (updated June, 2017)

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