

# CANADA DAY COMMITTEE

## Meeting Minutes

**February 27, 2017**

Present: Marie Buscomb (Chairperson), Marilyn Warnock, Jean Libbey, Bonnie Wellman,  
Anne Hutchinson (Secretary)

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### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order 10 a.m. at the Calabogie Community Centre.

### **2. Announcements**

- Marie introduced two guests; Jennifer Gardiner from OPG and Esther Roberts from the Township office
- Jennifer Gardiner of OPG suggested we can plan on a donation of \$500 from OPG. She requires a letter from the Township office to their Corporate Citizenship Program. Esther Roberts reported that that was already done and would forward a copy to Jennifer. Jennifer confirmed there would not be tours of the dam on Canada Day weekend as they have planned tours on July 29th instead. She did commit to providing about 500 giveaway bags for kids and a large poster board of pictures for July 1st. Esther suggested this poster could also be put up on the Township Facebook page prior to July 1st.
- The new Canada 150 flag was opened to unanimous approval. It is a standard 36 x 72" flag and will be flown on Madawaska Street. Marie stated she would like to order two more flags to be flown at Barnet Park and at the Community Centre and that they should come from the Township budget. Esther is to look into this.
- Esther presented a copy of a letter from the Township to Chief Kirby Whiteduck of the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan, inviting them to the Canada Day festivities in Calabogie. We will await a response from them in hopes that they may participate in some manner. We were reminded that if an Elder does attend, certain protocol must be followed.

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### 3. Discussion

- Marie stated that Urban Donleavy, has expressed an interest in coming onboard for Canada Day. He is President (?) of the Children's Wish Foundation and would like to provide activities such as airplane, boat and Seadoo rides with proceeds going back to the Foundation. This would require dock facilities on Madawaska St. It was decided that he should be invited to attend our next meeting and make a proposal as to how he would like to participate so that we can decide if it is feasible.
- Items confirmed for July 1st:
  - The Snowmobile Club will do the pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m.
  - Marlene Schaly will display the Art Tree Project in the Community Centre beginning at 8 a.m. until ?
  - The Recreation Committee will run Family games at the C.C. from 10 to 11:30 a.m.
  - St. Andrew's United Church will run a BBQ from 12 to 2 at the church
  - There will be a food truck on the street (location TBD) starting at noon
  - The Art Guild paintings of old buildings will be on display starting at noon
  - The Calabogie 55+ Club will provide some storytellers for the paintings
  - Several crafters have been confirmed for the Market, beginning at noon, end time TBD
  - The Lions Club will run the beer garden from 12 to 9 p.m.
  - There will be tours of St. Andrew's U.C. starting at 12 p.m.
  - There will be children's games and crafts on Madawaska St. from 1 to 4 p.m.
  - There will be a BBQ outside and hot meal inside St. Andrew's U.C. from 4 to 7 p.m.
  - Regular Canada Day activities of a book sale, prize table, Home Support, bingo, minnow race, fish pond and face painting are all confirmed for Madawaska St. from 4 to 7 p.m.
  - The band, Buck 50 has been booked for \$600 to play from 6 to 9:30 p.m.

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#### 4. Roundtable

- It was noted that we still do not have a budget. The next Council meeting is scheduled for mid March and it will be discussed.
- It was agreed that having 2018 calendars made up using the paintings would be a good fundraiser. Renfrew Printers quoted a price of \$600 for 100 coloured calendars, and \$400 for 100 black and white calendars. They could easily be sold for \$15 each. Marie is to find out the timeline of when the printers would need the photos in order to have them ready for July 1.
- Marie plans to sell the remainder of last year's T-shirts prior to July 1 to raise funds.
- The Fire Department has informed us they will not be responsible for blocking the street and manning donation boxes. Instead they will be running "Fireman Games". It was suggested that a fire truck could unofficially be placed to block the 511 entrance, but we would need volunteers to look after the donation box. **This will require multiple volunteers stationed at all three entrances for the extended hours.**
- The time Madawaska St. is to be closed is still unconfirmed. It was suggested that a letter to property owners in the affected area informing them of the extended hours, be distributed as a courtesy.
- It was suggested that a donation box be in place at the face painting station.
- The Art Guild is meeting April 10th and we will know after that how many paintings there will be and of which buildings. To be decided is whether they will be placed at the locations where the actual building stood, or all displayed in one location.
- There is also the possibility of an Art Show organized by Dwyene MacNabb to be set up in a location to be determined.
- Marie suggested the addition of a MASH tent for kids to bring their teddy bears.

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## 5. Actions

- A volunteer is needed to run the Scavenger Hunt
- Marie is to meet with the priest from the Catholic Church and confirm if there will be tea room and/or tours there
- Marie is to make a mock up map of Madawaska St. so we can plan the sites
- Marie is to invite Urban Donleavy to the next meeting to make a proposal
- Marie is to find out from Renfrew Printers how long they need to produce calendars
- Esther or Wayne are to confirm what time Madawaska St. will be closed
- Esther is to inquire (perhaps Jordan Wall) whether the inflatables, fireworks and tables and chairs have been ordered
- Esther is to inquire about ordering two more Canada 150 flags

## 6. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be **March 21, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Centre.**

## 7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12 p.m.