

MINUTES
SANDYCOVE ACRES HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 1, 2018

Present were: John Bicknell, President; Sharon Raycraft, Vice-President; Ted Gemmell, Treasurer; Pat Porth, Secretary; Diane Elliott; Alan Leslie; Linda Morris; Dennis Rodgers; Anne White

Regrets: Paul Martel

MINUTES OF MEETING OF APRIL 3, 2018

Approved as circulated by motion of **Elliott/Morris**.

FINANCIAL REPORT

SCA Homeowners Association Financial Statement

April 30th, 2018

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Income</u>	
Opening Balance			\$ 13,304.85
Raycraft – EPT expenses	121.01		
SC Computer Club printing	15.00		
Bank fee	4.00		
Membership deposit		1,120.00	
Total	\$ 140.01	1,120.00	+979.99
Bank Balance 2018/04/30			\$ 14,284.84
RBC 18 month non-redeemable GIC @1.7% invested Oct. 10/17			\$ 20,000.00
RBC 18 month non-redeemable GIC @2.0% Invested Feb. 7, 2018			\$ 10,000.00
<u>Total Funds as of 2018/04/30</u>			<u>\$ 44,284.84</u>

Note: 2017-2018 Fiscal year (May – Apr)

Income \$6080.00

Expenses 6249.00

\$ - 169.00

Approved by motion of **Porth/Leslie**.

Gemmell drew the board's attention to the final figure: at the end of the 2017/18 term, the board had spent only \$169 more than it had taken in, in a year with several special expenses.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Umbrella Group, \$30, approved by motion of **Morris/Rodgers**; EPT, \$99.68, approved by motion of **Elliott/Porth**.

BUSINESS ARISING

Home Fair:

COMMUNITY EVENTS REPORT, May 1, 2018

As I think we all agreed after the event, the Home Fair April 21 was a tremendous success. It was unfortunate that, having had 38 exhibitors signed up a week before, we ended up with 33, but that's not a bad number, and the upside was that several of them were new faces, including two in our new category of wine-making. The loss of Total Cable was particularly sad because they always brighten the scene so much, but it was inevitable. Three of the non-participants called in advance with good excuses, and one of the two no-shows called Monday.

Sharon reported we had 54 prizes, and Paul that we had 73 new/renewals, both of which are keynotes of success.

I sent a note of thanks to the exhibitors, and many took the trouble to return the thanks and say something to the effect that they were looking to coming back next year.

I don't know that we have any strong recommendations for next year's committee, other than to continue to research new exhibitors.

Once again, multi thanks to all directors and volunteer outliers who contributed to this success, with special emphasis on-site to Sharon, Anne and Dennis.

Directors agreed the fair had been a success, commenting the numbers attending seemed from sight to be a record.

Water billing: This has been thoroughly covered in other communications. To be noted: As promised at the recent meeting, the submitted invoice has been analyzed, confirming that all rate categories, including the special Sandycove Acres rate, have increased 4%.

AGI: We're waiting to confer with Christina De Palma.

Action: **Raycraft** to endeavour to firm up a meeting.

AGM: The meeting notice is in print. Martel and Bicknell are working on the mailing list, Martel is preparing the envelopes, Don Richmond is printing ballot slips in case they may be needed. One person has indicated interest in running for the board, too late for the official nomination slate but s/he may be nominated from the floor.

Community Standards: Mirka Rollason has started getting strong with offenders, some of whom are greatly offended, but when they complain, Bicknell responds that we support the importance of maintaining the standards.

All-Candidates: May 16 at 7 p.m. in the Wheel. Setup will be 6:15, candidates will be told to come at 6:30 to set up their own tables. Candidates, moderator (Porth) and timekeeper (Elliott) will be on stage with two portable mikes, with a standing mike on the floor for the question period. Questions must be addressed to the moderator, who will refuse to take them if they are abusive.

Follows, the outline of the format as sent to the candidates:

Provincial Election Candidates:

As noted in previous communications, the Sandycove Acres Home Owners' Association all-candidates' debate is scheduled for 7 p.m. May 16 at the Wheel in Sandycove Acres. Doors open for residents at 6:30; setup for candidates can be any time after 6 p.m. The Wheel is the large building on your right as you turn south on to Weeping Willow Drive off Lockhart Rd. Parking is across the road or around the building to the west.

There will be tables allotted to candidates to display posters, brochures, etc., or have members of their entourage answer questions. They will be first come/first served as to position.

If you need further information or have any questions, please feel free to contact me: Pat Porth, Secretary, 705-431-4406, pporth86@gmail.com.

Below is our proposed format. Please note that we will potentially open the question period with a few written questions that have been submitted in advance by our residents and which reflect our specific community interests.

MEETING FORMAT

1. Each candidate, in alphabetical order by last name, will be asked to give an opening statement of five minutes maximum. Timekeeper will warn when there is one minute left and will notify when time is up.
2. There will be questions from the floor, a maximum of one question per attendee and a maximum of one minute each. Anyone wanting to ask a further question must go to the back of the line. Candidates will have two minutes to respond, and again the timekeeper will note when time is up.
3. Each candidate, in reverse alphabetical order, will have the opportunity to deliver closing remarks with a maximum of two minutes. The timekeeper will warn when one minute is left and then when time has expired.

All questions must be addressed to the moderator, who may refuse to put questions to candidates that are of a personal nature, abusive, argumentative or redundant.

There will be an opportunity for a scrum at the end of the meeting if desired by the candidates.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Upcoming dates for new Board:

Municipal all-candidates reserved weeks of September 30 and October 7, 2018, evenings

AGM June 9, 2019

Open House January 27, 2019

Member Forum July 29, 2018

Home Fair after discussion allied with already-reserved EPDay May 4, 2019, by motion of **Porth/Rodgers**

Health and Wellness Fair November 3, 2019, or earlier if space is available

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Raycraft:

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TEAM REPORT TO HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION MAY 1, 2018

The Citizens' Police Academy finished on April 19th with the 'Graduation' of 42 residents. Police Chief Fletcher, Mayor Wauchope, Deputy Mayor Dollin and numerous police officers attended. Rob Cooper of CTV2 (Barrie) was there and many of our 'students' ended up on the 6:00 p.m. news that night. Also, Sue Scambati, South Simcoe Police Services' new 'media' person, took pictures and did interviews and posted a great picture and comments on the SSPS Facebook page about SCA's CPA. There were great 'reviews' of this year's Academy – so much so that Special Constable Aschwanden is considering reversing the decision about not having a CPA in 2019 – however, the format might be slightly different – less sessions – and in partnership with Innisfil Fire, the County of Simcoe, etc.

There was no EPT meeting held this month; however, the Emergency Preparedness Team was well represented at the Home Fair – there was a lot of interest in the Medical/Mobility Questionnaire as well as the File of Life. Questions regarding 72 hours and the Vulnerable Persons Registry also kept the Team Members on their toes.

As the Board felt it was too early to make a decision at the last Board meeting with respect to amalgamating the Home Fair and Emergency Preparedness Day, after consulting all Team members, it was decided to book the Wheel for Saturday, May 4th, 2019 for Emergency Preparedness Day – this being the 'kick off' of Emergency Preparedness Week across Canada. **Should** the current or next Board vote to join the 2 events (Home Fair and Emergency Preparedness Day) in 2019 (the preference of the majority of the EPTeam members), the booking will be cancelled. I must point out that another Sandycove Acres group has been aggressively trying to convince the Team Leader (and Dave Cooper, Booking Agent for the Wheel) to 'give up' our regular date. **As the Directors have now had some time to ponder**

this issue (and 9 of us will be staying on), is it possible to have a decision made at this meeting?

There have been a number of queries regarding CPR/AED training. One of the EPT outstanding items with Parkbridge is in this regard.

The Chair of the Fire Safety Committee (Linda Moyles) has raised the question of whether the name (and intent) could be changed to 'Fire AND Safety Committee'. I would like the Board's opinion on that issue at our meeting.

Change of committee name was approved by motion of **Porth/Elliott**.

Morris:

MEMBER SEMINAR COMMITTEE REPORT TO HOA BOARD

May 1, 2018

Two presentations on our Seminar series were presented in April. One was to Mirka Rollanson, Community Manager, Parkbridge on April 18th, the other at the Member Forum April 29th.

The push was to educate both Parkbridge and residents at the Forum that we have a member seminar series which are value-added members' events, the timing of the seminars, why we put them on and the topics we try to bring forward. The presentations further explained that they generate knowledgeable information for the purposes of educating and informing residents of what services and support groups are available concerning financial, health and wellness as well as a multitude of other topics that have been covered.

The HOA has been putting on these seminars since 2009 for a total of 58 over this 9 year period.

Input was requested from the residents attending the Forum as to what they felt they would like have covered. I am happy to say that we did get some interesting feedback. Some of their suggestions were outside the parameters of the seminar series, but could be dealt with through other HOA Directors or Committees or forwarded on to Parkbridge. These suggestions will be included with the other potential topics that are on hold for consideration for our next series of seminars and dealt with at that time with whomever will be responsible for the seminar chair.

Morris:

REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MAY 1, 2018

RE: UMBRELLA GROUP MEETING

The meeting was at Country Meadows on April 26, 2018. The seven members of our Umbrella Group were represented.

Without getting into all the details which really had no bearing on Sandycove, every community is facing individual problems with Parkbridge. The overall agreement and concern is that

Parkbridge is doing business without due consideration to the overall effect on the residents or the community.

The performance of the Grounds Guys was discussed and other communities had worse experiences than Sandycove did; being franchised, experiences differed.

Trees were discussed and Hometown reported their residents received a letter from Parkbridge which informed all residents the trees were the resident's responsibility, which divested Parkbridge of the costs associated with the maintenance.

With the installations of water meters here at Sandycove and the billing for water and sewage, it was reported that water meters at Country Meadows come to the property line and it is metered by the block by the Municipality to Parkbridge and Parkbridge divides it by the number of houses on the block and sends out the bills to those residents.

A question from one of the attendees, as to whether any other community had experience with Christina De Palma, it was reported that she is currently representing some of the other communities in LTB matters. In summary, the issue of a perceived conflict between De Palma and the Parkbridge paralegal had been weighed and discussed by the other communities before engaging her because it was felt there would be a professional relationship between the two paralegals which could be a benefit to them in the long run.

There were other issues raised, but nothing that had to do with Sandycove so the purposes of this report are not included.

The July meeting will be Wed., July 11/18 hosted by Georgian Glen at 1:00 p.m.

The October meeting will be hosted at Techumseth Pines.

Rodgers: Is following up on the complaint re the tree on Maple Court, and is working with Bicknell on another involving a clogged drain.

Porth: Overstepping both Rodgers' and Leslie's portfolios because she was there and took his contact info, is pursuing a complaint from a resident re no reception on Channel 20. No answer so far from Dale or Geoff.

Gemmell: Books for 2017/18 will now be passed to Wayne Whittaker, to have report ready for AGM.

Martel (in absentia): There were 118 new/renewals this month, bringing the total membership to 505.

NEWSLETTER

AGM with new write-up, water and sewer rates plus compressed Raycraft report, thanks for support of seminars.

OTHER BUSINESS

At AGM, directors to give reports on the year's work.

The work of the community relations committee will be the topic at the June directors' meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

It is hoped/presumed the HOA will participate in Canada Day with Martel's vehicle. A donation of \$50 will be requested, approved by motion of **Elliott/Raycraft**.