



Emerald Woods Residents Association Executive Meeting

Wednesday, October 11, 2023, 7:00 pm

Present: Mark Vuotari, Christine Guptill, Kim Tytler, Christine Lowe, Casey Lahey; Keely Storr
joined later

Regrets: Gorette Pernitzky

AGM Planning

- Brief discussion about transcription of recordings for minutes. Kim's organization uses Fathom – <https://fathom.video/>
- Thus far, the Councillor's office has declined to oversee the election, despite the previous Councillor's office having taken on this role
- Re: potential increase in membership fees: Previous exec did not have Director's Insurance, or have the field booked for soccer on both the day of and the rain date
- If we fold, and cancel the liability insurance which we purchase from the City and which is grandfathered, we likely would not be allowed to purchase from the city again
- All agreed to invite police to AGM; will put this on the agenda and discuss further about the topic
- Kim will pull minutes from last year's AGM to create an agenda
- Suggestion to put call for volunteers in agenda
- Keely recommended increasing the cost of events
- Need to emphasize that planning events is a primary goal of the Association, and we need to be clear with the membership that if volunteers do not step forward, we cannot have events
- AGM should include a vote on the date for Fun Day in the Park 2024
- Association runs on donations
- Consider charge per driveway for yard sale

Christmas Party planning

- Saturday, December 9 from 2-4pm Cost: \$20 per child, snacks provided
- Ask for volunteers, incl. Santa; last year's event had a few neighbourhood student volunteers
- Need volunteers for: Set up, cleanup, purchasing supplies/snacks, ice, craft tables
- Kim will ask if Kevin is interested in being Santa
- Bring snacks but no pot luck. Nut free; cheese strings, bear paws, drink boxes, bottles of water, Costco banana chocolate chip loafs
- May be a child with a milk or egg allergy?
- A lot of the Aylmer's glue was very dried out; may want to consider buying new

- Registration and gift drop off at Christine & Mark's on Tues. Nov. 28 and Thurs. Nov. 30, from 5-6 pm
- Discussion about the history of the neighbourhood and ideas for improving engagement

Meeting adjourned.