

**Annapolis Society for Youth-friendly Public Spaces**  
**Annapolis County Municipal Council Chamber**  
**June 11, 2008 – 7:00pm**

**Present**

- 12 members present, with executive.
- I. Meeting called to order at 7:08pm.
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - Members read minutes from May meeting prior to arrival.
  - Minutes passed on full consensus of group.
- III. Treasurer's Report
  - Treasurer was not present, but sent regrets.
  - Grant Dares as Chair acknowledged we do not yet have a working bank account, but the total funds we have collected thus far is appx. \$9000.00.
- IV. Fundraising Report
  - Fundraising Committee has not met at this time.
- V. Chair Report
  - Grant has received all of the signatures necessary to complete the new Registry of Joint Stocks application. The application will be sent in on June 12<sup>th</sup> and approval should be forthcoming.
  - Grant has been working on a Planning Assistance Grant for \$1800.00. Nova Scotia Health Promotion and Protection has been very favorable towards our application and is just awaiting the proper paperwork that Grant will be submitting soon.
- VI. The André Report
  - The Annapolis Art Community is donating some granite and timber to incorporate into the space. André will ask Brad to provide some images of the material so New Line can have a better idea of how to include them.
  - It was decided during conversation that another Design Meeting would need to take place with the Art Community and the Youth. We would like to have some raw materials (rocks, wood, drawings) at this meeting to help map out the design. This needs to be done in a fairly timely fashion as New Line is working on the 3D renderings. At our next meeting significant time can be dedicated to this practice.
  - Grant and André explained to the group during the course of the conversation that when we get to the building phase of the project New Line would help with tender process and we will be looking for local contractors.

- André also explained that we are at a stage where any design ideas that come up must be put down on paper to hopefully integrate them with other community suggestions.
- An idea of having a “community design suggestion box” was also talked about. This box would be at all community events ASYPS participates in. It would give the community a chance to put drawings and suggestions on paper to help with the design.

#### VII. Go Skateboarding Day

- Bill will supply a gift certificate from a local business to supply participants with food.
- One band is confirmed and Evan will ask Dayliner to play also. Discussion on where the stage is to be set up. Grant will look into any by-laws the Market may have on which way the bands are supposed to face.
- Grant will ask the town about roping off an area of the wharf for skateboarding.
- Evan will also ask if Dayliner can help with a PA system on that day.
- Tee shirts have arrived and will be available with a \$20 donation on the day of the event. Dawn will provide a receipt book and scribbler to take down names of donors and forward to the town if a tax receipt is requested.
- André will provide a tent for our display and donations.
- Will have handouts at the event discussing the Youth Park and educational information on skateboarding.
- Dawn will contact AVR and CBC for Public Service Announcements to advertise the event.

#### VIII. Fundraising Ideas

- Some excellent ideas came up that will need to be explored in future meetings such as:
  - Local Business sponsoring a “doubling dollar” event for tricks
  - Skate Relay around town
  - Community paying money to see “so-and-so” on a board
  - Half-pipe at the exhibition
  - Skating from Bridgetown to Annapolis (22+ km) – Bill to look at Logistics and present at next meeting.
- André and Dawn to work on the Agriculture/Farming Grant that can be up to \$25,000.00
- The fundraising committee will be meeting before long and most of the presented ideas will be talked about and the planning will begin.

#### IX. Youth Park Concept

- André suggested changing the marketing and plan name of the park to a “Youth Park.” In other areas this change has helped the community better understand what we are doing with/for the youth.
- This opens up many new funding areas with an example being the old abandoned rail line leading into town could be developed and only adds to the park. Other examples could be a kiddie’s playground or a mountain bike trail.

- This walking trail leading to the Youth Park could be filled with skating memorabilia interlaced with town memorabilia.
- Graeme motion for name change, Bill second – all in favor. **Motion Carried.**

X. Other Topics:

- Forums for Newline can be accessed directly from the website and should be used to help with design ideas.
- Last year we participated in the Farmer's Market each Saturday with a table for donations and educational information. The group decided they wanted to take part in this again. Bill will do up a schedule for the summer by email.
- Annapolis Senior Games will be donating \$100 to the park to show support from the Senior Community. They will be making this donation at Go Skateboarding Day.
- The County is running a pilot project of training Skateboard Instructors to help with the training classes. Anyone over the age of 16 is able to apply. André has the applications and further information.
- A presentation was made to Graeme for becoming a Skateboard Instructor as well as becoming an Instructor Trainer. Congratulations.

XI. Next Meeting: **7:00pm – County Municipal Building – July 16, 2008**

Meeting adjourned: 8:29 pm

Respectfully submitted: Bill Knowlton