

A meeting of the Sustainability Committee was held on March 3, 2011 at the Tudor and Cashel Community Center at 4:30 p.m.

Present:: Libby Clarke, Joan Donaldson, Irene Martin

Absent: Gord Schadd, Barb Sanderson, Mary Hawkins

### List of Accomplishments for 2010

1. Signage
2. Strategic Plan
3. Committee
4. Regular Meetings
5. Co-ordination between Rec. Waste Management Committee
6. Attendance with NHEDC and Comfort Country
7. Website upgrade
8. Managed budget
9. Accessible port a potty
10. Hall Rentals

### Green Lighting for Strategic Plan

To look at each of the pillars and decide where we are.

### 1: ENVIRONMENTAL

**Better our recycling program**

**Explore the possibilities for expansion to the Millbridge site**

**Develop a composting/chipping location at the land fill sites for future use of these natural and organic products**

**Promote the reduction of disposal and waster materials**

**Promote the use of can crushers, household compactors, composting options etc.**

**Explore how to make better use of our scrap metals; perhaps this can become a source of income.**

**Sort into piles such as aluminum, copper, stainless steel, brass, regular steel, white metals for better efficiency**

**Review contract for metals with council (See motion)**

**Better signs for our sites to help enforce the dumping fees and fines**

**Promote future TRASH BASHES**

**Mining possibilities (Request information from WESA/Faraday's project-How expensive? (See Motion)**

**Investigate the options of another location for a land fill site**  
**A transfer site (A LAST OPTION)**  
**Are there any Waste Site grants available to us?**  
**Talk to WESA about other grants that may be available**  
**Revitalization of parks and gardening through the heritage engagement**

## **COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM**

**Flowers beds developed**

**Gardening in playgrounds, Gilmour and Millbridge**  
**Reforestation**  
**Green the Community Centre**  
**Use of the chipper**

## **2. SOCIAL**

**Euchre**  
**Cribbage**

**Recreation Committee** -recycle properly at function  
-continue to advertise activities  
-what happened to breakfast?  
-continue catering  
-need for communication and collaboration with other committees  
-reach out to volunteers

**Hall Rentals have increased and will continue to advertise and should be put on the website.**

## **Wellness Plan and Youth Activities**

**Youth based activities for year round activities, bi- weekly 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month.**  
**Beginner line dancing to start in October.**

**Low impact movement**

**Walking group**

**Card Making group**

**Scrap booking**

**Healthy Cooking with Fund Raiser meal at the end of the program**

**Crafting Class**

**Facilitate Children's Christmas Musical- Rip Van Christmas**

**125th Anniversary Celebration with Canada Day Celebration on July 2nd**

### **3. CULTURE**

**North Hastings Cultural Coalition-strategic plan**

**Trails-investigation for non motorized vehicles**

**History for 125 Anniversary**

**Picture, history,interviews, being asked in newsletter**

**Interview Stan Robbins, Jerry Trumble,**

**Start promoting local artists and artisans which is part of our public meeting for sustainability**

**Partnering with Comfort Country, North Hastings Cultural Coalition**

### **4. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Continue to partner with NHEDC and Comfort Country**

**Promote Medical Clinic**

**Further discussion and work is required on this section of the sustainability plan.**

### **5. Topics we did not get to at the meeting**

- **Budget discussion for 2011**
- **New Business**

**6. Next meeting will be held on March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

**7. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.**