

A meeting of the Sustainability Committee was held on November 17, 2011, at the Tudor and Cashel Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Joan Donaldson, Libby Clarke, Gord Schad, Jim Bentley

**Adoption of Minutes** from September 22, 2011. Moved by Libby Clarke and seconded by Jim Bentley

## **Comfort Country-**

**Recommendation: That the Sustainability Committee give \$500 to Comfort Country for the 2012 edition of the booklet in which we were prominently displayed this year .**

**Waste Management Committee.**-Chris Knott has begun his scrap metal clean-up. He has begun removal from the Grimsthorpe site and will work over the next 2-3 weeks to complete. He has removed seven ton and totally cleaned up the Millbridge site. (Approximately 30-40 tons to be removed total from both sites).

**Newsletter-** beginning again in January 2012 and will include the Oct to Dec events. Wellness classes will start again in January. Newsletters have been very well received in the Community. Suggestion for Community garden may perhaps go into the newsletter as a request to see if ratepayers would be interested.

**NHEDC-** Committee has begun Strategic Planning to determine the role of the Committee. Andrew Redden was present at the meeting and helped to define the mission statement. Discussion arose around our mandate and who we are. It was decided that we should be a catalyst for strategic change management.

**Signage** – McCrae residents request another sign. Committee is not able to provide another sign at this time. The residents feel that there are two signs everywhere else.

Joan to check with Joel for painting standards in the Spring.

**Retirement Facility investigation** – Contact with County showed \$5000 available for project. Joan will pursue this in the new year.

## **New Business**

The Committee is looking at what funding is remaining for 2011. There are areas (ie; washrooms, kitchen) that require specific upgrades to conform to the Accessibility standards set out by the Ontario Government.

**The following are some of the suggestions our committee would like to carry out:**

- 1) Request made for new timer on outside light in parking lot. Gord Schad has added the timer and we are testing this week to see if it will work. There is also a suggestion that we add a dusk to dawn light on the west side of the building for clearer sight in the parking lot.
- 2) Washrooms need new accessibility toilets.
- 3) Refrigerator in bar section of kitchen needs to be replaced
- 4) Public building inspector to do an assessment of building as committee feels if we are going to rent the space we have to bring it up to code. **(Joan will investigate and provide names of inspectors)**
- 5) Request for new chairs, new tables, projector for lap top so we can rent the space for meetings and conferences.

- Recommendation:**
- a) **Purchase 3 accessibility toilets**
  - b) **Purchase new refrigerator for the bar section of the kitchen**
  - c) **Purchase new tables & chairs for the community center**
  - d) **Purchase a projector for use for movie nights**

Note: The purchases will depend solely on the price of each individual item listed above and the remaining budget.

**Date for next meeting-** Dec. 8, 2011 at 7 p.m.

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.**