

Montgomery Place Community Association Executive Meeting
Nov. 10/09

Present: Laurie Bent, Gary Berg, Barb Biddle, Jim Earle, Gloria Gonie, Kevin Gooding, Juanita Kitzul,
Larry Rempel

Community Consultant; Karen Farmer

City Planning – Tim Steuart

We discussed the need to have some control over the type of infill housing being built in our area. There seem to be some houses that skirt the zoning bylaws that were changed to preserve the nature of our community.

Tim suggested that a local area plan be done to consider the wide range of concerns expressed.

Motion - Jim Earle, 2nd Barb Biddle, that we write a letter to Saskatoon City Council asking that a local area plan be done. Carried

Discussion - the local area plan would take years to begin and complete and then would not be enforceable.

Changing the zoning would solve the specific infill housing problems that concern us.

R1 zoning has restrictive requirements that would keep people from rebuilding houses that suffered some catastrophic loss like a major fire.

R1A zoning would allow us to maintain our present setbacks and allow people to develop basement suites if they chose to. It would however keep people from building anymore duplexes or attaching houses together. Existing duplexes would be 'grandfathered' and allowed to remain.

The executive decided to pursue the idea of changing the community zoning. Larry will write an article for the newsletter about it.

Tim explained that we would need to present evidence of a community consensus before we could approach city council about this. The executive plans to take steps in this regard during the next few months. We will need to poll the neighbourhood, and have a public meeting.

There was a lengthy discussion of the fact that cities like Edmonton and Calgary have guidelines for infill development and Tim explained that we don't live in Alberta.

The field north of 11th St. directly across from Montgomery Place continues to be a concern. At the present time it is zoned to have up to 53 dwelling per acre in 4 story buildings.

Treasurers Report - Kevin Gooding –

Operating Account	\$25,734.00
GIC 1 (Rink)	\$2,231.69
GIC 3	\$10,691.98
GIC 4 (Cairn)	\$3,228.68
GIC 5	\$5,946.39
200 Club	\$2,000.00
 TOTAL FUNDS ON HAND	 49,832.74

Kevin

Barb Biddle – Montgomery Veteran Project – Written Quote – \$517 for 8 X 10 cast bronze plaque for the time capsule. Kevin will look around for a variety of prices.

Research on veterans – Kelly Block has been quite helpful. The Department of Veterans Affairs is concerned about the privacy of the original veterans of Mont. Place.. We may use the newsletter to see if people will give us more information.

Education Directors

Montgomery School - Laurie Bent - Remembrance Day service. Report cards and interviews are coming up and they'll be a book sale.H1N1 vaccination is on Sat. at Prairie Land Park. Winter Wonderland Celebration Dec. 9.

St. Dominique - Juanita Kitzul - Christmas Concert Dec. 9. A school fundraiser is being held for a family whose mother has cancer. The Remembrance Day Ceremony was on Nov. 10.

200 Club Winner – Glen MacDonald

President's report

Juanita has discussed the problems that we've been having with the gym in St. Dominique School with the principal there.

Thanks to Juanita for submitting the indoor programs to the Leisure Guide.

New Business – There are a lot of complaints about the new ditches that have been dug in the area. The ditches are unsightly, impossible to mow and dangerous. It seems that more work will be done on them in spring.

The meeting ended.