

**Ward 8 CAN**  
**General Membership Meeting Notes**  
**February 19, 2014**  
**Twin Forks Playground**



**1. Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

**2. Introductions**

Rachelle Niemela, Chair of the CAN, introduced the other Executive members in attendance:

Ron Spina, previous Chair

Gates Legault, Treasurer

Zac Lefrancois, Member

Cindi Briscoe, Community Development Coordinator with the City of Greater Sudbury

Jessica Guénard-Valiquette, Secretary

Fabio Belli, Ward 8 Councillor

Regrets:

Jim Niesing, Liaison – Westmount Playground Association

Jordan Binotto, Liaison – Twin Forks Playground Association

Rachelle advised attendees that the position of Vice-President remains vacant. Anyone who is interested in filling these positions can contact Rachelle at [rmniemela@hotmail.com](mailto:rmniemela@hotmail.com)

**3. Welcome to Dave Shelstead**

Dave Shelstead from Roads and Transportation. Indicates that there are 6 classes of roads (Class 1 to Class 6). An example of a Class 1-3 road would be LaSalle, Falconbridge. An example of a Class 4-6 road would be Colonial Court, Melbourne.

Class 1 -3 roads are serviced as soon as there is snowfall, with each plow's route to be done in 2-4 hours. Class 4-6 roads are serviced once 8cm of snow have accumulated with a service time of 24 hours.

Roads are salted early as early salting stops freezing rain from adhering to the asphalt. Salt is good to -12 or so; sand is used for colder temperatures.

Sidewalk clearing - Four foot sidewalks are not done as proper equipment is not available. Most sidewalks are not 4 foot. In many Southern Ontario communities, residents are

responsible for clearing sidewalk. City has 21 plows plus contractor services. Contractors follow same rules as city plows.

City's policy is to remove snow when it impedes sight at major intersections, affects lane width (usually 12'-13' lanes), or affects drainage at Spring thaw.

Snow removal surplus goes to winter control reserve which is used for excess years.

Interesting fact: Average of 45,000 vehicles per day travel the Kingsway. This is more than many provincial highways.

Difficult to patch potholes in winter due to water/wet potholes. Quality of asphalt is a lesser grade due to temperatures, then will be replaced in warmer weather.

#### **4. Twin Forks Playground Rejuvenation**

Mike Morelli from the Twin Forks Playground Association gave a quick update. Association members are working on a wish list to present to city. Fabio indicated that a meeting was happening on site between City, Fabio, and Rachelle. Invited Mike or another Association member to attend with list of wishes.

#### **5. New Sudbury Days**

Tom Gunn indicated that the committee members for New Sudbury Days would be meeting in the coming week. Members in attendance would be staying after tonight's meeting to see about scheduling a meeting. Tom indicated that he was bringing in some people with experience planning these types of events to provide advice and direction. Looking at early June for a tentative date.

#### **6. Community Gardens**

Barb MacDougall will hopefully be at next meeting to discuss how to start a Community Garden and provide advice.

#### **7. Twin Forks Parking Lot sign**

Gates showed plans for a 2 sided aluminum sign. Upper would have colour, logo, etc. Lower space would have space for removable letters so we can display messages.

Approximately \$6000 installed.

## **8. Councillor Update**

Working on a plan for City to respond to persons who call 311 so they have an idea of what progress has occurred.

## **9. Next Meeting**

The next General Membership meeting is 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at the Twin Parks Playground.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.