

Ward 8 CAN
General Membership Meeting Notes
April 24, 2013
St. Charles College Auditorium

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Welcome to attendees and special guests

Ron Spina welcomed Mayor Marianne Matichuk and Pete Fortin from MPAC (the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation).

3. New website

Rachelle Niemela provided an overview of the new website, which has been available for approximately 3 weeks. A new logo will be added soon. Comments or suggestions on enhancing the website are welcome.

4. Ward 8 Cleanup Day

Gates Legault provided an update on the planned cleanup, which will be held on May 4th from 9 am to noon. We will serve coffee and donuts and have t-shirts available for volunteers; the City of Greater Sudbury will supply gloves, garbage bags, and safety vests.

5. Mayor Marianne Matichuk

Mayor Marianne Matichuk thanked the Executive, our community development officer Cindi Briscoe, and all CAN members for their work in developing CAN projects and activities.

Mayor Matichuk answered questions from the audience on topics including trail enhancements along Junction Creek, the issues surrounding the transit monies owed by Tony Sharma, the Ombudsman issue, Earth Hour, the status of the Maley Drive extension and the new Splash Pad being developed by Fabio Belli.

6. MPAC Presentation

Pete Fortin from MPAC presented information on how MPAC assessments work in Ontario and in Sudbury.

7. Adopt a Road Program

Gates Legault provided information on the City's Adopt a Road Program, which includes a required cleanup each spring and fall. G. Legault encouraged all citizens to take responsibility for keeping their streets and neighbourhoods clean. Feedback included the need to have more garbage cans in the ward. Additional information will be provided as discussions are held with the City on how to proceed.

8. Twin Forks Rejuvenation

Gates Legault provided an update on the project to rejuvenate the Twin Forks Playground. This requires volunteers to form a recreational committee, which will liaise with the City and provide guidance for the project. Ward 8 citizens are encouraged to participate. Anyone interested in helping with the project can contact Gates Legault.

9. Next Meeting

Ron Spina thanked Mayor Matichuk and Pete Fortin for attending.

The next General Membership meeting is May 22nd, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at St. Charles College. Guest speakers will be the Junction Creek Stewardship Committee.