

WHITE WATER MEADOWS CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of General Meeting

Date: July 7, 2013

Venue: White Water Meadows Community Entrance

Time: 4:30pm

Meeting called to order: Andrew Grant

Prayer: Gary Simms

Executive members present: 8

Executive members absent: 1

Number of residents present: 35

THE RIDING MOWER:

Peter Hutchinson (Treasurer) introduced the mower (which was driven to the meeting) to the residents, The Poulan PRO Lawn Tractor was purchased and delivered on the 29th of June 2013. A significant deal was identified and our team moved swiftly to close the deal.

THE SPECS OF THE MOWER:

Poulan Pro Lawn Contractor 20HP

42" cutting blade

20" rear tyres

16" turning radius

Automatic transmission

1.5 Gallon fuel tank

Briggs and Stratton engine



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Cast iron front axle

The cost of the mower was \$140,000 plus GCT, making the total purchase price of \$163,100.00. This is \$39,000 less than the price of one with similar specifications at another supplier. Mr. Tomlinson pointed out that one of the good things about having this mower is that the "payback" will be quick and we should be able to save costs on maintaining the park and the football field. A letter will be sent to the Ministry of Finance requesting a tax waiver and if granted, \$23,100.00 will be refunded by our supplier.

Since there was only one unit left in stock, and considering the recent currency devaluation, the purchase was made despite having obtained a commitment for storage over the next two months only. Members present were asked to assist with finding storage for a longer period.

Persons who will be able to service the said device have been identified. Our first plan for use of the mower is a work day and cookout which will be held on the 13th of July 2013.

THE FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The financial overview of the last Quarter was posted on the website and is available to everyone. Some residents expressed concern about the public accessibility of financial statements and minutes of meetings. Being posted on the website without restrictions means that anyone can find them through a search engine, such as Google. They are very concerned about possible security risks associated with this and propose that residents be required to log on with a password in order to access those. Others contend that our financial statements are already part of the public record since they must be submitted to the Companies Office. They were also concerned that such restrictions will limit the openness that we have been striving for. The meeting opted to delay voting on the issue until the matter is considered further.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

A fundraising committee was one of several committees that were recently organized and their first project was a Night Out that went well. It was well received by residents and nearly all the food and drinks were sold off. A small profit was made that will be dedicated to community development projects. It is their intention to have this event regularly, around the end of each month. Mr. Grant said he was impressed with the committee and it was refreshing to the executive to know they were not the main

organizers of such an event.

THE PR COMMITTEE

Petrina our assistant P.R.O. said that their plan is to give the netballers a court. Mr. Scott said that the court would be located where the little track to Finchley is. We also took the step of approaching Digicel for funding this project. Mr. Thompson, an architect from within the community said that he would like to meet with the sports committee to discuss further on the court.

An essay competition is being planned for the primary and junior high students which would involve two topics to be decided by members of the community. A resident said she would help as it is in her area of specialty.

As the GSAT Awards Ceremony is coming up a request was made for resident who have knowledge of children who did the GSAT for the school year 2012/2013 and will be moving on to High school to kindly submit their names, addresses, school attended and school to be attended. One resident said that he will be getting the names of the children on Stanhope Road and Chadwick.

THE WELFARE COMMITTEE

The welfare committee is planning an event for the elders of the community in August. There will also be a health fair to be held in November.

SPORTS COMMITTEE

The sports committee is recruiting for Cheerleaders and Netballers. If residents are interested they can contact Ms. Selena Mckoy or Ms. Athoy Neil.

SECURITY CONCERNS IN THE COMMUNITY

Twice in June a wrecker was seen entering the community at around 3am after which it stole cars from the community and repeated the act once again approximately one (1) week ago.

Residents are asked to pay keen attention to any suspicious acts being conducted in and around the community.



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The pathway at the end of Stanhope which can be used to enter the Sydenham Villas from White Water Meadows has been used to facilitate various crimes including theft. It was therefore suggested that the large pipes located near the path can be combined with cement as a means of blocking off this pathway.

CONCERNS

- Residents voiced concerns about the progression of the Hartlands road restoration projects.
- The main water drain was a topic that was brought forward in that it needed to be properly cleaned and maintained.
- No keys for the fire hydrants
- Contact is to be made with the ministry of health regarding the raw sewage running into the storm drain.

Meeting adjourned:

Athoy Neil

1st: Carlette Evans 2nd: Andre Gordon