

Rotary Club of Carleton Place and Mississippi Mills

Minutes of the Meeting: 17 May 2022

Thirsty Moose Pub

In Attendance: Mike Jeays, Marion Reilly, Carman Carroll, Shelley Smith, Dave Cousineau, Kathy Cousineau, Deb Shaw, Pat Clark, Ken Clark and Brenda MacDonald-Rowe.

Absent: Deen Dudding and Randy Dudding

- 1. Welcome. Interim President Mike opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.**
- 2. Mike also read the Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that the land on which we live and are meeting tonight is the traditional unceded territory of the Algonquin and Anishinaabe People who have lived on this land since time immemorial.**
- 3. Presentation to Robert Macdonald, coach of the CP Girls' Ringette Team: Mike presented Robert with a \$3,150 cheque to the Ringette Team for their great help in bagging the compost for our sale. Rotarians expressed their thanks for the strong support offered by the girls and parents which was a significant factor in the success of our compost sale. Coach Robert was grateful for the cheque and the opportunity for the girls to earn money for new uniforms, ice time and now being able to participate in an end-of-year tournament. This team is a house league teams so parents are often responsible for these costs. We hope the ringette team will be available next year to help us out!**
- 4. Happy Dollars: Rotarians were grateful for various things this week. (It appears the acting secretary must have been busy eating to record the details!!!)**

5. 50/50 Draw: Dave's ticket was drawn but he did not find the money card!

4. Adoption of the Agenda: All agreed

5. Minutes of 3 May Meeting and Business Arising: Moved, seconded and APPROVED.

-Compost Sales: There was considerable discussion about the compost sale.

It now appears that the bags were smaller this year, resulting in more bags and more unsold bags.

All agreed the bagging and sales part went well but delivery was an issue due to too few drivers. This is an issue that must be resolved prior to next year's sales.

The delivery cost of \$5 per bag is far too low. We discussed whether to limit deliveries to orders of 5 or 10. This would be difficult for some of our older clients and would result in more drive-in sales which would need to be considered.

There are as many as 500 bags left over in two locations. We need to consolidate them to the sales location. Aside from another sale day, other potential places for the remaining compost are local horticultural societies and the towns of CP and MM.

Mike reported that over \$7,000 cash and e-transfers have been received.

The data entry sheets helped a good deal and it is important to update them and drop all clients on the list who did not buy in 2019 or 2022. Some names of new purchasers will be added to the call list for next year.

Additional bags should be ordered early next year to ensure delivery on time.

A big vote of thanks to all Rotarians and friends of Rotary (Eric and Sue Hammond and Rick Deschamps) who worked hard to make this year's compost sale a success.

It was decided to advertise for another selling day (pickup only) for Saturday, 21 May from 9:00am - 12:00pm at the same location. Pat, Ken, Shelley and Carman volunteered to be there.

-Adventures in Citizenship: Nothing new to report as our student has been selected and excited to attend.

- Giant Tiger Nevada Sales: The last Nevada shift on Friday afternoon proving to be very slow. Given that we are short of volunteers to fill all current times, it was moved, seconded and APPROVED that we drop that shift. If more volunteers become available we might revisit this decision.

- 50/50 Ticket Sales: Mike is waiting to hear back on our license request.

- Women's Fair: No report.

6. Other Business:

- President's Update: No report.

-Treasurers Update: No change from the previous month.

-Secretary's Update: No report.

7. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.

Next Meeting: TUESDAY 31 May 2022 at 6pm at The Thirsty Moose upstairs.

**Carman Carroll
A/Secretary**

