



# COMMUNITY MEETING

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

10:30 am

Doug Thompson's Office

Metcalfe City Office

## Agenda

- I. Introduction of Group Representatives: Darryl Wilton, Catherin Webb, Debra Workman
- II. State the reason we are there to meet with Doug Thompson
  - a. We are concerned about our development, its completion and timelines around this. Observing other developments in southern Ottawa, we've noted that many of them were started much later than ours and are now complete, giving them access to amenities that residence of our community has yet been able to enjoy, even though we some of our residence have been paying for them for a decade or more. Amenities such as green space, finished ditches, road surfacing, etc. (they are described in detail under "specific concerns")
  - b. We want to be advised of the deadline for completion of our development, which has been under development since 1994, when the site plans were drawn up. (please see the accompanying site plans and dates)
  - c. Specific concerns:
    - i. Maintenance:



1. Road paving – there has only been one layer of asphalt placed on phase II of our development resulting in:
  - a. A major drop where the asphalt transitions from Phase I to Phase II, which is a preeminent risk to vehicle undercarriage damage and city road clearing equipment.
  - b. The initial single layer of asphalt placed on Phase II (which has been there for the past 6 years) has the deteriorating edges, chunks of pavement missing and is in a general state of disintegration.
2. Ditch completion: Uncompleted drainage ditches in Phase II are obstructed with trees, road debris and inconsistent sloping, resulted in unsafe, unhealthy standing water and algae. Standing water is a breeding ground for mosquitoes, west Nile and a risk of drowning for small children. Our expectation is that our ditches will be correctly slopped/grated, cleaned of debris, filled with the appropriate aggregate, a layer of top soil and sod applied.
3. Signage:

A **Stop** sign is need at the corner of Ira Morgan and Whiteside Way. This is a blind corner and Whiteside through traffic cannot see anyone coming off of Ira Morgan.

**Speed Limit Signage** - this is a residential community with many small children.



**No through Fair Signage** at the roughed out extension of Iveson. (Iveson and Whiteside where it intersects the second time) All GPS, online maps and mapping software show that this road is completed to John Quinn, which is not the case. This puts all non-resident visitors – emergency, commercial and guests at risk of driving off the paved road onto an unnavigatable road and impending accident of which the city would be ultimately responsible.

5. Snow plowing: our development has only one way in or out because of the uncompleted Phase III extension to John Quinn. Our development is also one of the last areas to be plowed in the Metcalfe area, taking as long as 48 hours after a snow fall for the streets to be cleaned. This puts our residence at risk should an emergency arise and the response team cannot access the resident. There have been vehicles stuck in the middle of our streets due to the amount of snow. We therefore request that our development be among the first residential areas in Metcalfe to be cleaned.
7. Restricting access to undeveloped roughed in area of Phase III with either boulders or commercial cement blocks with locking metal gates. This would discourage dumping of leftover building materials, garbage, tires, and inhibit unauthorized vehicles and rave party goers.

Development:

2. Completion of Phase III which include:

- a. Scheduled milestone deadlines and final completion.
  - i. The uncompleted section has been under development for the past 4 years with little progress. The area is a target for off road vehicles, joy riders, dirt bikes, rave parties and commercial dumping. The biggest risk to the residence is the cedar forest catching on fire by the party bon fires. These party goers do not adhere to the NO fire restrictions and Cedar is highly flammable at the best of times.
- b. Green space / park completion which we as a community, working in partnership with the city, are willing to provide labour and upkeep. This green space will provide not only recreational space for residence of Country Hill, but also the surrounding communities.
- c. **MANDATORY:** Paved through road to John Quinn. The uncompleted Iveson and access to John Quinn is a danger to all residence of Country Hill Estates. All GPS,



Yahoo maps, Google Maps, mapping software and city emergency vehicles maps direct visitors into Country Hill Estates via John Quinn road and down Iveson Road. There is NO access to Country Hill Estates via John Quinn. Many visitors have complained of get lost trying to find enter to Country Hill including on one occasion the Ottawa City Police and on another an Ambulance.

- d. Completion of Phase III will bring tax dollars to the city, green space to the Metcalfe/Osgoode and a safe environment for the current residence of Country Hill.

III. Our expectation is to meet again on January 11<sup>th</sup> to follow-up on our concerns. We would also like the city contacts that are responsible for each area sited so that we have a contact along with your office to follow-up with.

IV. Adjourn