



## Village Community Association

General Meeting, October 18, 2023

### Village Round Table Committee

Mike Siverns, Chair (email: [jennifersiverns@hotmail.com](mailto:jennifersiverns@hotmail.com))

Peter Blanchet

Carol Perrin

Dee and Rob Fahlman

Bill Smelser

Luba Fraser

Jennifer Siverns

Phil Loforti

Doug Widdicombe

### **VCA Attendance**

This fall the Village Round Table committee is welcoming a new addition, Carol Perrin. As the current Vice President of the VCA, Carol will provide a useful liaison between the Village Round Table and the Village Community Association.

### **Winter Maintenance**

As winter approaches, the main focus of the VRT is to co-ordinate the snow management planning for the self-administered laneways west of Garrison Village Drive who wish to take advantage of group dynamics. The new contractor we used last winter was found by the 4 laneways which used their services to be very good, and this year 5 laneways have committed to going ahead with that same contractor. Once again, we will co-ordinate requests by the laneways for "salting on demand" – an important element of our decision-making process.

### **Bell Fibre**

We have continued to maintain regular contact during the year with Bell Canada, regarding their commitment to start installation this fall of their Fibre

network in those areas of The Village that do not as yet have Fibe. Unfortunately, in spite of our efforts, this has still not begun.

### **Sidewalk Concerns**

In June the VRT Chair contacted the Town's Operations Department regarding uneven sidewalks. They confirmed that subcontractors were about to start the work of sidewalk repairs in the Old Town and would be working southwards, and we have recently seen that they have indeed been working in The Village. Their preferred method is to either grind down uneven edges if they are minimal in size, or to "mudjack" (lift) the paver in order to level the surface. In some severe instances full panel replacement is done. The Operations Department emphasized that asphalt patches are only used as a temporary "fix". These patches, although ugly, should not be removed by residents as this then becomes a public safety hazard.

### **Join The Village Round Table**

For Village residents interested in joining our Village Round Table conversation, please email me at the address above. Our VRT fall meeting is due to be held on October 17.

**Mike Siverns, Chair**