

Streetsville Village Times Article- January 2010

Streetsville's public buildings are a great source of pride for our community. Many of them are quite old and worthy of preservation. Some of them are quite charming and speak greatly about our heritage and culture. Streetsville has the largest number of heritage buildings in the city, which makes me something of a part-time property manager in addition to all of the other tasks I perform. Here's a quick update on where Streetsville's public buildings stand:

The former Town Hall / Kinsmen Senior Citizens' Centre

This building is in fairly good condition and has recently had \$100,000 dollars in repairs completed, including a new retaining wall, landscaping, paint, and woodwork. It is well-used and is available for rentals and community use. For more information, please call: 905-858-1313.

The Vic Johnston Community Centre

Our "Arena" has had a recent multi-million dollar renovation, including new insulation, energy features, white roof, kitchen, and meeting rooms. It's also available for community rentals and is operated by a volunteer Board of Directors. For more information, please call 905-826-3011 or e-mail info@vicjohnston.ca.

The Streetsville Village Hall / Lawn Bowling Club

This building has served as a tin-smith shop, library, lawn bowling club, and recently, as a small rental / meeting hall. The building is now closed and will soon re-open as a completely renovated office for the Streetsville B.I.A. The renovations will cost more than a half-million dollars and will include all new windows, siding, and internal partitions. In recent years, this historic building has been underused, so its renovation and rebirth as Streetsville's "unofficial" Town Hall will be a great event to celebrate!

The Streetsville Outdoor Pool

The pool will soon be temporarily closed and the current change rooms will be demolished. There will be a new facility to replace the present building, which will match the look of the new arena next door. The pool deck will be replaced and the pool itself will be repaired and renovated, along with easier access for disabled users. These renovations will cost approximately \$3million dollars. The pool is expected to re-open by June 2011.

Russell Langmaid Public School

As you probably know, this historic public school will be closed forever in June. I've been asked by the Mayor and Council to look into the possibility of purchasing the building for conversion to public uses, including a Cadet Centre and seniors' and community purposes. There will be much more to report in the months ahead, but already I feel the enthusiasm growing. Streetsville does not have a stand-alone community centre, so this is an exciting project.

As always, I'm available to discuss any municipal matter with you. If you would like to call me, I can be reached at 905-896-5011 or at george.carlson@mississauga.ca.