

York Region Senior Christian Homes Inc.

February 2006 Newsletter

Incorporation Status:

Good News! It's official – we received our incorporation papers in October. Application is now underway to register for GST benefits.

Property Update:

Review and Update of King Township Council Meeting...

What an incredible show of support we received from you on Monday, October 17th, 2005. With over 100 people filling the King Township Council Chambers, we offered a visible presence. Mr. Harry Vander Kooij, former King Councillor, made an excellent presentation, and was well received by Mayor Black and the other Councillors.

Following our meeting, we eagerly moved forward by contacting various land planners familiar with our proposed property on the west side of Bathurst

Street just south of Davis Drive. Unfortunately, we were soon advised that obtaining the necessary approvals would be a very lengthy and costly process. Quite frankly, the experts told us not to waste our time and money on this site located in the heart of the Greenbelt and on the edge of the Oak Ridges Moraine. We knew it was environmentally sensitive land and development was severely restricted; however, we really liked the location.

A Tad Disappointed but Optimistic...

Currently, we are reviewing four properties of interest; two are situated in the North Aurora/South Newmarket area and two are near Green Lane- North Newmarket. As well, we are investigating two private properties in Newmarket that are not on the market.

We need your help to continue the property search! We are looking for approximately 15 acres bounded by Hwy 400 on the west and 404 on the east, Hwy 9 to the north and Bloomington to the south. Land south of this area falls

into the Oak Ridges Moraine and is not developable.

It is our preference to keep the property search within these parameters as this meets our primary goal: to enable Christian seniors to “age in place”. We believe our seniors prefer to remain in their community near family, friends and church.

If you know of suitable land, please contact one of the steering committee members listed below.

Memberships... they are important!

Your support continues to be vital. Your annual membership dues in the amount of \$50, payable to “York Region Senior Christian Homes”, may be submitted to one of the steering committee members or sent directly to Hank Kampen, 23 Tomlin Crescent, Richmond Hill, Ont. L4C 7T4.

Need a Membership Application? Feel free to contact one of the steering committee members. Yes, we are keeping track of our members. Early membership application does entitle you to early residency selection.

Do you know the two most frequently asked questions by our members?

- (1) When can we move in?
- (2) Why can't we move in sooner?

For your information, it should be noted that due to the lack of regional service infrastructure, in particular, restricted water allocation, we are unlikely to see our building developed for at least three years.

Steering Committee:

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Hank Kampen (905) 669-9455 ext. 226;	Jim Verkaik (905) 775-2052.

Please keep the efforts of the Steering Committee in your prayers. Let us continue to thank God for blessing us so abundantly that we may begin to envision this project.

We will continue to keep you informed as events unfold.