## Maxville Family Council virtual meeting March 6, 2021

In attendance: Judith Stanway (Chair), Liane Green, Muriel Aitken, Heather Ross Regrets: Lynn Stevenson, Joanne Tessier

- Welcome to new members and introductions.
- As per the terms of reference, the Family council is to produce an annual report summarizing the Family Council's activities and achievements during the previous year. The 2020 draft annual report was approved by those present and will be sent to D. Murray-MacDonald for distribution.
- Discussion regarding position of chair
   Agreement that Judith continues as chair for a 2 year term
- An anonymous donation was made to Family Council to thank staff for their hard work over the past year.
   Judith organized the purchase of \$20 gift cards for all Manor staff which they will receive with their next pay cheque on March 11.
- Question: who does the Family Council report to?
   Answer: Council reports to the official liaison, the activity director, Dina.
   If needed, can report directly to the Executive Director.
   Our agenda is submitted to Dina, management, and posted on the Manor website.
- Roundtable discussions of any concerns we may have.
   Concern expressed about lack of activities and lack of stimulation when residents are confined to their room, although it was recognized that staff are doing what they can to keep residents safe during this difficult time.
- Suggestions for some alternative stimulation during Covid restrictions:
   Reading, concerts, other activities via zoom.

Children's groups that could play outside of the manor, one example building snowmen. Such groups could include Scouts/guides or school/childcare. Residents could watch them through the windows.

Dogs outside that residents could watch from the windows since dogs are not currently allowed inside.

- Our mandate is to speak for residents who cannot participate themselves.

Appreciation expressed for rapid testing, essential caregivers ability to visit their family members, and the vaccination program.

Appreciation was also expressed for the Manor's social media presence and their communication via this medium.

All present at the meeting were vaccinated at the Manor on March 1.

- Agreed to meet again virtually in 6 weeks.