

Board Committee Meeting Réunion du Conseil

Monday, April 27, 2015 Lundi le 27 avril 2015 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM 19h00 à 21h00 Sandy Hill Community Centre Centre communautaire Côte-de-Sable

Minutes / Procès verbal

Present/Présents:

Pat Archer, Éric Audet, Robert Forbes, Denis Forget, Yves LeBouthillier, Brian Murphy, Chad Rollins, Jeremy Silbert, Sally Southey, Marc Tremblay, John Verbaas

Regrets/Absents:

Suneeta Millington

Item / Sujet

01 Welcome/Bienvenue

Information

At 7:06 pm the meeting was called to order. Chad welcomed Board Members and the residents in attendance. Board Members and residents introduced themselves in a tour de table.

O2 Review and Approval of Agenda/Lecture et adoption de l'ordre du jour

The following amendments were suggested:

Christine Aubry asked to speak to the Board as an organizer of the Sandy Hill Spring Fair. She will be the first speaker under Special Events / item 4.

Brian asked whether the departing Board Members would be willing to share their thoughts on challenges and success in the spirit of lessons learned. The Board welcomed the idea but it was suggested to invite the departing Board Members to a separate in-camera session with the new Board after the AGM.

Action
Brian after
the AGM

The proposition was moved by Yves and seconded by Bob to approve the agenda with the addition of Christine Aubry under item 4 (carried).

Decision



03 Review and Approval of Minutes (March) / Lecture et adoption du compte-rendu de la réunion (mars)

Bob requested one small addition to the minutes under section 8.e where it mentions that our biggest concern is about the demolishing of old buildings with heritage value on King Edward south of Laurier, to also add 'that the University has made no specific commitment regarding on-campus residences'.

Bob moved and Denis seconded that the minutes of the March meeting, be approved with the above amendment (carried).

Decision



04 Special Events/Évènements spéciaux

Special Events Proposals (Christine Aubry)

Information

A two-page proposal was circulated to the Board by Christine ahead of the meeting (see annex 1). The objective is to make the Bettye Hyde Spring Fair into a bigger community event, the SH Spring Fair. The event is not a fund raising activity, it is meant as a fun community event organized by volunteers. It will be held rain or shine on June 6, and for this reason tents are going to be rented which costs a few hundred dollars. As a member of the organizing committee, Christine asked whether ASH was willing to be an official sponsor of the SH Spring Fair and pre-approve to commit \$1,200.

After a few questions, the Board approved unanimously with the following motion:

Pat moved and Yves seconded that the Board supply the request for \$1200 for the 2015 SH Spring Fair (carried).

Decision

For the fall event the planning has just began. One idea would be to have a multi-cultural event, including participation from the embassy community and with the assistance of St. Joe's. ASH supports this initiative and will be happy to examine the funds request when it is presented.

Change to the June date for the Board Meeting.

The Board agreed to move the June meeting from the last week of June (29) to the week before (22) given the July 1st holiday.

Eric has informed the SHCC

AGM in May (Eric)

-Motion: Eric asked to bring a motion that the Board of Directors allows a fund of \$400 for this year's AGM expenses. Eric indicated that the major expenses are: the sound system, the volunteer of the year award and gift, the publicity for the AGM in Image and copies for ballots and other documents.

The proposition was moved by Eric and seconded by Bob to approve the \$400 request for the AGM (carried).

Eric provided an update to the Board on the following topics: election Officer (Mark Salter); the MC (Leanne Moussa); membership tables; room set up; voting ballots; projector; volunteer of the year;



O5 Councillor's Report and Questions from the Floor / Rapport du conseiller et questions du public (Mathieu Fleury)

Information

Voici la mise à jour de notre Conseiller:

- -This is moving season, do not hesitate to use 311 to report any problems such as oversized/furniture garbage.
- -UofO presented its Master Plan to the Mayor. Key community concerns were raised such as heritage properties, density, student residences on campus. The University indicated that they do not plan for an increase in the student population, rather they want to improve their facilities to their needs.
- -Q: Given that it may take time before King Edward is re-developed by the University, in the meantime they have buildings boarded up, can they do something?
- -A: Yes the Councillor's office is discussing this issue with the University.
- -Construction will impact OC Transpo route in August as buses will use a portion of the 417 using the Nicholas off-ramp. In this neighbourhood only bus #18 will be affected. The Councillor's office will send the information so that you can put it on your website.

Follow-up for Mathieu

-Q: A resident indicated that 311 has been receiving a high number of calls, so much that she could not get hold of anyone for the past two weeks. In addition, Range Road needs to be cleaned on its East side and cement trucks are deteriorating the street. Follow-up for Mathieu

- -Q: A resident raised concerns over parking on vacant lots. Apparently the City will not do anything unless the owner complains but there is no person living on these lots. One of them is located between 444 and 446 Nelson.
- -Q: A Board Member shared his concerns over Infill 2, indicating that there is a sense in the community that gains made in the last year have been lost in the last round of consultations. Mathieu, que s'est-il Mathersesé?

Follow-up with Mathieu

-Q: A Board Member asked for an update on 560 Rideau and whether the Councillor had kept his position on height.



06 Treasurer's Report / Rapport de la trésorière

-Financial / Bank Update (Pat) On March 31 the ASH chequing and savings account was at: \$19,982.96 (including 10,000 Range Road Project). The Save Sandy Hill account was at: \$9,931.76

Pat indicated that she cannot close the Desjardins account until the last rink attendant cashes his cheque.



07.a By-laws and Environment/Arrêtés municipaux et environnement

-General Update (Sally)

Sally thanked the Councillor for initiating the cleaning of the Laurier Park where the splash pads are located. It is a favourite destination for very young children. The park has seen increased use by dog owners although it is a non-dog park. Additionally, there are owners dumping snow from their parking lots into it.

Thank you for helping out with the ASH tree group (Susan Young). I understand you will help with getting a tree at La Maison on Somerset side where there has been constant illegal parking and problems with noise.

Thank you for two proposed bylaw site visits to problem properties. We are waiting to hear on all the issues that are related to the visits. As well as another property close to the splash pad at Laurier Park.

What can you tell us about the Park Safe Inc signs we now see here and there in the community? These reflect parking on private property as a business. What about vacant sites that are being used for parking. What about parking on parkland as occurs along the Nelson side of the park?

Any news on snow dumping practices at Strathcona Heights by the City? Still a lot of garbage flowing into the park from this practice and the salt and grit aren't healthy for a park or for people.

Any chance Ottawa Community Housing will relocate their garbage containment at the back of their building at Somerset and Nelson? Any chance to green that side yard? (note: the ASH tree group will focus their attention along Somerset to help to make it more inviting as their focus this year)

Can the Councillor's office invite broader use of the community's Butt Stop poster? We'd like to see it included in material for the Fall Walkabout.

Actions

Councillor

took note

and will get back

to ASH



O7.b Planning, Development and Transportation/Urbanisme et transport (Sous-comités : Zonage et aménagements intercalaires résidentiels; Revue des demandes d'aménagements; Patrimoine)

Information

-202 Henderson lessons learned

Eugene was not available to meet with the Board. Chad informed the Board as to the reasons why the suit was dropped. Chad will invite Eugene to meet with the Board after the AGM, in the meantime, the last few expense receipts should be submitted shortly to finalize the accounting activities.

-Planning Committee Update (Chad)

The Board had a discussion around Infill 2 and what the best strategy might be to achieve better results.

07.c Communications, Membership and Fundraising/ Communication, membres et levée de fonds (Denis)

Denis briefly indicated that since the beginning of the year we have received the application for 11 new members. 125 people with expired membership have been contacted by email and currently we have a total of 256 active members.



07.d Governance Working Group (Yves et Marc)

As requested by the Board, the Governance Committee studied the question of voting for expenses and is proposing the following amendment to the ASH Regulations:

4.18 Votes to govern - At all meetings of the Board, every item shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast by Directors, excluding the Chair and the ex officio Director, on the question. In case of an equality of votes for and against, the Chair of the meeting shall be entitled to a vote.

NEW

4.18.1 Not withstanding section 4.18, a majority of the votes cast by the Officers of the Association is sufficient to approve expenses incurred in support of ASH purposes, up to a maximum of five hundred **Decision** dollars (\$500).

Marc moved and Bob seconded that the Regulation 4.18.1 be approved, all in favour (carried).

In addition, Yves moved and Marc seconded that in order to be accepted a decision taken by electronic means needs to have received the express support of a majority of Board Members, all in favour, (carried).

08 Engagement with UofO (Bob)

-Town &Gown

Due to lack of time we could not discuss this topic.

09 Community Relations/Rapports avec la collectivité

-Block Representatives (Camille)

Camille asked whether the Block Reps could have access to emails of ASH members on their block to facilitate communications. There was no decision on this question. First there is the technical question of finding who lives where from the membership list and second there is the question of privacy.

Follow-up?



10 Future Meetings / Prochaines réunions

-The AGM will be held on May 14, Board Members please come at 5:15 for room set up. The next Board Meeting will be held on May 25, 2015.

11 Adjournment / Fin de la session

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.



12 Annex 1

Proposal from Christine Aubry

April 17, 2015

Purpose:

To propose new elements to existing Sandy Hill events and request ASH sponsorship.

Background:

Following the success of the Sandy Hill Winter Carnival, St Joe's Supper Table has expressed interest in participating in more community events. As well, at its February 2015 meeting, the Board of Action Sandy Hill expressed strong support for sponsoring more events. As a result, some residents have had informal conversations and shared ideas and propose the following 2 events for 2015

Event: Sandy Hill Spring Fair

Date: Saturday June 6th 2015, 9am-2pm

Location: Blackburn Avenue from Laurier to Somerset (TBD), and Bettye Hyde Coop.

Previously known as the Bettye Hyde Spring Fair, this event now takes place on the same day as Doors Open Ottawa to maximize visibility.

One component of the event, the BBQ, provides a fundraising opportunity for Bettye Hyde. The rest of the activities would be free (and perhaps sponsored by ASH or other Sandy Hill organizations such as the Sandy Hill Community Health Centre and Chartwell).

Usual activities include: children's games run by Bettye Hyde; tables for artisan vendors and local businesses; Ottawa Fire Services with firetruck; musical entertainment and children's entertainers.

New:

- A request has been made to the City to close Blackburn from Laurier to Somerset.
- St Joe's Supper Table is interested in hosting a pancake (or crepe) breakfast.