

ASH minutes for May 30th, 2016

Present from the board: Chad Rollins, Bob Forbes, Pat Archer, Jeremy Silburt, Judith Rinfret, Susan Young, Larry Newman, John Verbass, Kelly McRae, Ralph Blaine

Emeline Sparks was present from Councillor Fleury's office.

1. Welcome and introductions

2. Review and Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as amended.

3. Review of Approval of minutes of previous meeting

Motion 3.1

Bob moved to adopt the minutes as presented. Seconded by Jeremy. Carried

4. Special Events

a. Urban Shades

Caroline John made a presentation of this community gardening project. She reported that they are looking for a new location and solicited support from and liaison with ASH for this project. Kelly and Susan agreed to act as ASH contacts.

b. Heritage

Chad reported a request from Heritage Ottawa that ASH co-host a meeting with them.

The board expressed its agreement to go ahead with this request. Larry, Chad and Bob agreed to help.

c. Injection Site - Sandy Hill Community Health Centre

The board discussed the advisability of writing a letter of support for the initiation of a safe injection site at the Community Health Centre. The consensus was that the board should design a consultation document to ascertain the opinions of the community on this idea. Kelly will coordinate input from board members on the content of this consultation document with a view to approving the document at the June ASH meeting.

d. Spring Fair

ASH has approved a request for \$280 for this event. Four board members agreed to help at an ASH table at this event with extra help to be solicited from the block reps:

Bob + one other) - 10 to 11

Chad + one other) - 11 to 12

Susan and Ralph - Noon to 1:00PM

5. Councillor's Report

Councillor Fleury was represented by his assistant Emeline Sparks. She noted that Councillor Fleury had recently met with some local landlords to discuss problems the community has raised. She also reported that police services would be conducting public consultations about by-law enforcement and general "service delivery" on June 7th and 9th

She noted that the next town and gown meeting would be held on June 20th.

She agreed to look into the date for installation of some traffic calming approaches (flexible posts) in Sandy Hill and whether or not speed humps on Stewart Street could be restored to their original heights out of the maintenance budget.

ASH will take measures to publicize the Ottawa Univ. GG's children's camp among the families in Sandy Hill.

There was a recent fire at a rooming house at 173 Marlborough and we are still awaiting the report of the fire marshall.

Bob brought up the need to address the problem of unlicensed rooming houses. Jeremy agreed to look into the bulletin distributed to students advising them of how to deal with rooming house issues.

Motion 5.1

It was moved by Susan and seconded by Ralph that Councillor Fleury be asked to convene, before the next town and gown meeting, a meeting of concerned city councillors and representatives of the associated Community Associations in order to develop a plan for dealing with the problem of unlicensed rooming houses.

motion carried unanimously

Susan asked that councillor Fleury speak at council in favour of the Somerset Greening project.

Emeline Sparks was asked how it was that two houses on Somerset were demolished without any notification of the community. It appears that no notification was required in this case.

Motion 5.2

It was moved by Susan and seconded by Pat that we ask councillor Fleury to ensure that in cases where the regulations state that the community "could" be notified of site plans for impending development in Sandy Hill that we **will** be notified of said site plans.

Carried with one abstention (Jeremy)

6. Block Rep Report

Jan Finlay reported on the continuing concerns about garbage and traffic. Residents expressed concern that summary fines are meted out for parking violations but not for flagrant garbage violations.

She is working to build contacts with Strathcona Heights.

7. Executive Committee Report

There has been no recent meeting of the executive but the Chad reported the following business that had been addressed earlier in the evening:

On a **Motion (7.1)** from Judy and seconded by Jeremy

Bob Forbes was re-elected as Vice President
Pat Archer was re-elected as Treasurer
Ralph Blaine was elected as Secretary

The motion was carried

The following members volunteered for the committees noted below:

Bylaws -	Sally and Larry
Communications -	Jeremy and Cathy Major
University of Ottawa -	Kelly and Bob
Environment -	Susan
Governance and Admin -	Chad
Heritage -	Larry and Pat
Urban Planning -	Judith and Kelly
Transportation -	John
Membership -	Jeremy and Jan Finlay

8. Treasurer's Report

Pat reported the following balances:

April 29, 2016 bank balance \$31,854.61

Save Sandy Hill \$9,163.55

Homestead \$6,834.92

Chequing \$15,856.14

9. Committee Reports

a. By-laws

No reports from this committee

b. Communications

Jeremy reported that 34 memberships were sold at the AGM.

c. University of Ottawa

no new news. Town and Gown meets June 20th.

d. Governance

The by-law change reducing the minimum board membership from 12 to 10 was ratified at the AGM.

Chad noted that ASH needs to produce a consolidated version of its by-laws.

e. Heritage

no new news

f. Planning

Judith reported that this committee will meet tomorrow. The new building proposal by Richcraft on the east end of Rideau was discussed.

g. Transportation

John noted that we need to find out how much of our ward's traffic calming budget for the year is devoted to Sandy Hill. He also noted a delay in consideration of plans for a Truck Traffic tunnel.

Motion 9.1 on proposed widening of the Airport Parkway

moved by Judith and seconded by Pat that we support John's letter to all members of the transportation committee expressing ASH's concern about this project.

carried

We are still waiting for the bike lane on Somerset to be installed as well as feedback from the city on our suggestions for implementation of these lanes.

Next meeting is June 27, 2016 at 7:00 PM Meeting adjourned 9:30