

Meeting of the Board of Directors Tuesday, November 1, 2022 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm via video conference

MINUTES

Present: Louise Lapointe (Chair), Marilyn Whitaker, David Elden, Kendra Eyben, Michael Barnes, John Verbaas, Calla Barnett, Jan Finlay, Glenn Grignon, Bryan Dewalt, Jessica Silburt, Megan Reilkoff. Cathy Major.

Guests: Gerald Dragon, Bailee Johnson, Mathieu Fleury

1. Review and approval of agenda.

Friends of Sandy Hill removed from agenda as they were not in attendance. Councillor's report was added to the agenda. Only the Treasurer's Reports for August and September will be approved. Moved by Bryan, seconded by Cathy. Motion carried.

2. Review and approval of minutes of September 26, 2022

Moved by Jan, seconded by Dave. Motion carried.

3. Chair's Update.

Louise reported there has been some movement on the issue of mental health. ASH has been approached by IMAGE to submit a regular column about what is going on in the Community. Megan Arbuthnot is our a new community police liaison. She will be invited to our next Board meeting. The subject of encampments in the community was raised. Dave pointed out that the City does not have a consistent policy regarding these encampments. ASH is still looking for a Bylaw Chair. We may have to use the Block Reps to report garbage, property standards and noise issues until a Chair is found.

4. Review and approval of Treasurer's Reports for August and September

Megan reported that Awesome Art had returned the \$500.00 donation ASH made for an event that had been canceled.

Moved by Megan, seconded by Calla. Motion carried.

5. Councillor's Report

- this is the Concillor's last meeting. However, he is available if we need him.
- with the changes in the Planning Act there is a danger that bunk houses, poor waste management etc may return. ASH must be vigilant.
- Encampments: the Councillor clarified if someone wants help they should call 311 or go to a shelter to request help. If there are encampments on private property, it is up to the property owner to take action. 311 records the ticket, creates a visit. A ticket is required to move a tent. Louise suggested that any outstanding tickets should be sent to ASH for follow-up.
- Construction: The work at the intersection of Laurier and Nicolas is complete and that positive comments have been received. Somerset and Range the raised intersection is complete.

However, the paint plan must will be revised next spring. Laurier between King Edward and Range will be closed from November 1 to 13 to redo concrete work at certain corners. Residents were not made aware of the closure except by 2 signs. The Councillor will send a map of the detours.

- Planning: 2 Robinson The applicant has submitted revised documents dated 2022-10-11 including a new site plan, available here: https://devapps.ottawa.ca/en/applications/D07-12-21-0202/details. The Councilor stated that the applicant has not yet committed to including all of the active transportation links, local amenities and affordable housing component that he and the community believe must be included in the project for it to be successful.
- Town & Gown: At the last Town & Gown meeting, each stakeholder provided a debrief of the event. Still to come is a discussion of the future of the game. The discussion should include game cancellation, the same homecoming weekend throughout the entire province, costs of policing for the 2022 game. The Councillor noted that things were better on Russell this year. However, residents on other streets faced gatherings. He emphasized that T&G must remain.
- November 6 Event in Annie Pootoogook Park: there will be a celebration of World Inuit Day from 12pm to 5pm which will include speeches, artists and dancing.
- Questions: Bryan asked for an update on the Ottawa Community Housing (OCH) Rooming
 House on the corner of Somerset and Nelson Streets. The building has been declared unsafe.
 OCH is reviewing its entire housing portfolio and we may see partnerships with John Howard
 Society in order to provide supportive housing.
- Louise asked about the small park at the corner of Charlotte and Rideau which appears to be a parking lot now. This might be a zoning compliance issue. Louise should request more information by reopening the ticket.

6. Committee Reports

- Transportation: John reported that the Councillor convened a group from the eastern part of the city (10-15 people) regarding the downtown truck issue. The Councillor drafted a statement on the truck issued to be signed by the various associations. John will send the draft statement to Board members for approval and/or comment.
- Membership: David stated that there are about 244 members (same number as reported at the last meeting). Everything is on track for the One and Only Arts Craft Show. We have to get the word out and posters put up. There are 40 paid tables. Two vendors have withdrawn but left the fee.
- Block Reps: Jan asked Board members to volunteer to put up the posters for the One & Only. Everyone volunteered.
- Town & Gown: Kendra reported on the October 18 meeting which was a debrief of the events following the Panda Game. Morning and daytime activities were within the acceptable bounds. The evening behaviour was unacceptable and more residents were impacted this year than last. Recommendations for the 2023 Panda Game are expected in January 2023. ASH will continue to solicit recommendations from the community on the future of Panda including cancellation.

7. New Environment Committee

Bryan presented the revised Terms of Reference for the new Committee. Marilyn moved that the Terms be approved with some changes, Glenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

8. Round table – New and Old Business

- Winter Carnival 2023 Cathy mentioned that a member of the organizing committee would attend the next Board meeting to request funding for this event.
- **9.** Adjournment Cathy moved to adjourn at 9:00 pm, seconded by Marilyn. Motion carried.

10. Next Meeting – November 28, 2022