



Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, November 28, 2022
7:05 pm – 8:50 pm via video conference

MINUTES

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

Regrets: Calla Barnett, Glenn Grignon and Bryan Dewalt,

Guests: 19 participants in total including Gerald Dragon, Bailee Johnson, Stephanie Plante, Jessica Vaillancourt and Maha Spek.

1. Review and approval of minutes of November 1, 2022 with changes

Moved by Cathy, seconded by Marilyn. Motion carried.

2. Review and approval of agenda with changes.

No. 6 Introduction of the new NRT Constable and No.7 CET Overview removed from the agenda as they were not in attendance. Councillor's report was added to the agenda. Only the Treasurer's Reports for October will be approved.

Moved by Cathy, seconded by Jan. Motion carried.

4. Review and approval of Treasurer's Reports for October

Marilyn asked if ASH had contributed to the Sandy Hill Community Centre Halloween Party. Megan reported ASH had donated \$150.00 and it would appear on the November report.

Moved by Megan, seconded by Kendra. Motion carried.

Kendra asked about the process for making expenditures or donations on behalf of ASH. Megan stated that expenditures and donations must be approved by the Board. However, the Executive (Chair, Treasurer, Secretary) may approve expenditures in support of ASH purposes, under \$500.00.

There will be a surplus of \$1,978.90 from the One & Only. **We will have to decide if we donate a portion of the surplus and to whom.** In the past, we have donated 50% of the surplus to an arts based organization in the community.

The One & Only was a success. Both vendors and shoppers were glad to see the return of the event and looked forward to it next year. Jan will write a note to the Sandy Hill Community Centre to let them know how successful the event was and that SHCC staff provided great service which added to the success.

5. Councillor's Report

- Stephanie provided contact information for three of her staff:
 - nicholas.heisler@ottawa.ca, responsible for bike lanes, snow clearing etc
 - alan.neeff@ottawa.ca, responsible for housing and homelessness
 - sam.dent@ottawa.ca, responsible for planning and transit.
- Stephanie will be meeting with every Councillor to acquaint herself with other wards
- She plans to reconvene Town & Gown in January and will be meeting with the President of uOttawa to discuss the Coops, vacant properties on Henderson. She was made aware of the vacant properties on Templeton and Stewart.
- A 5K or 10K race is planned for next April to raise money for a yet to be determined charity. The 10K would go through the Ward. She asked that we think about a possible charity in our Community.
- The Jail House Respite Centre is being extended to next spring and two other centres will open in 2 other wards.
- Stephanie will have monthly meetings with the Mayor to discuss housing and homelessness.
- Maha Spek raised an issue with Scotiabank ATMs which could not be accessed on weekends due to people sheltering in the ATM area. Stephanie suggested that Maha inform Scotiabank of the problem and report the situation to 311.
- Dave mentioned that he reported an encampment in Robinson Village to 311 in September. The Ticket was closed. Stephanie asked Dave to send the ticket to her for resolution.

6. Chair's Update.

- Louise will be meeting with folks from the Sandy Hill Community Health Centre and some residents living on Besserer and Daly to identify solutions to the loitering and drug problems in that area. She suggested that people on the street should also be included in the meeting.

7. Committee Reports

- Planning and Heritage: At the last meeting, Committee members discussed the impact of Bill 23 (which passed on November 28) on development in the neighbourhood. The Committee is monitoring several projects and meets monthly
- Transportation: John reported that some of the other Community Associations (CA) were reluctant to sign the letter on the downtown truck problem which was drafted by the previous Councillor. Overbrook CA was not included in the consultation on the draft. **John will speak to Stephanie on how to proceed with this initiative.**
- Town & Gown: Kendra met with Stephanie to impress upon her the importance of the continuation of T&G as base for addressing broader issues in the community such as vacant properties and housing on campus. Kendra is reaching out to other Associations with similar student problems e.g College Ward and the Glebe.
- Membership: David stated that membership numbers remain stable.
- Block Reps: Nothing to report.
- Environment Committee: Marilyn reported that the Committee held its first meeting in early November. The members discussed possible activities and placed an item in the November newsletter asking for new members. Other Associations who have Environment Committees will be contacted to determine what their Committees do and how they are organized. The Committee will meet early in the new year.

8. Round Table

- 2023 Community Rink – Cathy report that Kyle Sadaka has agreed to act as the Rink Coordinator. Several people have indicated an interest in working at the rink as well.
- 2023 Winter Carnival, approval – Cathy reported that the budget for the Carnival to be held on January 28, 2023 is estimated at \$2,600. To date, sponsors have donated \$1,200.00 and the organizers are looking for more sponsors. Expected attendance is about 300 in the afternoon for activities and 100 for the dinner. Dinner ticket sales will cover about half the cost of the dinner. ASH has contributed funds to the Carnival in the past.
 - **Cathy put forward a motion that ASH cover up to \$1,000.00 of expenses for the 2023 Sandy Hill Winter Carnival. Megan seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.**
- Meet the candidate event was last minute. The format of the event worked well and gave attendees an opportunity to speak one on one with candidates for Councillor and Trustee.

9. Adjournment - Louise moved to adjourn at 8:50 pm, seconded by Marilyn. Motion carried.

10. Next Meeting – January 30, 2023