

# ASH Annual General Meeting 2023

Item #	Subject	Time
1	Coffee, attendees settling in	06:30
2	Meeting Starts – Agenda Review / Chair’s Report	07:00
3	Review and approval of the 2022 AGM minutes	07:10
4	Elected Representatives: – M. Fortier, L. Collard and S. Plante (TBC)	7:15
5	Elected Representatives Q&A	07:30
6	ASH Election Officer – Election of Directors	07:40
7	Treasurer’s Annual Report	08:00
8	Committee Reports – Membership, Town&Gown, Bylaw, Planning & Heritage, Transportation, Environment – 5 minutes each	08:10
9	Q&A – Committee Reports	08:35
10	Other Business	08:40
11	Announcement of Election Results and introduction of new ASH Board	08:50
12	Adjournment	09:00

# Chair's Report: 2022-2023

## Community Building

- ▶ Sept BBQ & Movie
- ▶ Halloween Party
- ▶ One & Only Craft Fair (Dec)
- ▶ Winter Carnival (Feb)
- ▶ Community Rink
- ▶ Eco Fair (May)
- ▶ Web, Twitter, Facebook, Newsletter updates

## Advocacy: City Hall ++

- ▶ Election Meet/Greet (Nov)
- ▶ T&G re. Panda
  - & St Patrick's Day
  - Sep Walkabout
- ▶ Planning Files
- ▶ Transportation Files
- ▶ Social Svcs Providers

# Chair's Report - Year Ahead

- ▶ ASH Bylaws Update re. ONCA
- ▶ T&G (Panda and Housing)
- ▶ Property Standards Bylaw Committee
- ▶ Building momentum with new Environment Committee
- ▶ New Zoning Bylaw (from new Official Plan)
  - Advocate for ASH's interests (diversity in housing types, Garbage and Trees mgmt)
- ▶ Social Conditions Working Group
  - Managing the -ve externalities of social services concentration
- ▶ Interprovincial Truck Problem
  - Engaging with all levels of decision makers, new mayor and councillor

# Chair's Report - Reflections

## Changing Face of ASH: Engagement follows the issues...

- ▶ 2008-2015: The bunkhouse era / Heritage engagement
  - Wide neighbourhood engagement
  - Huge focus on updating of zoning and infill bylaws (“the community centre meeting”)
  - Several OMB appears (000's \$\$)
  - The new R4 zoning
- ▶ 2015-2020: Calming Period
- ▶ 2020+: Things are changing....
  - Development issues finished? or in hibernation?
  - Declining social order and street conditions on Rideau St / north Sandy Hill
    - An issue for all of Sandy Hill
- ▶ The missing past presidents phenomenon (x5 !)

# TREASURER'S 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

(January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022)

Opening balance chq acc:	15,291.26
Opening balance GICs:	27,789.99
Opening balance PayPal acc:	2,071.15 (transferred to chq acc Jan. 7/22)

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**45, 152.40**

## 2022 Receipts

Membership	1,109.00
Ice Rink	5,325.00
One & Only Craft Fair	2,881.35
The Good Book Sale	1,447.45
Donations	10,001.00
Interest on GICs	111.40

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**20,875.20**

## 2022 Expenses

Ice Rink	5,134.95
One & Only Craft Fair	823.94 (not incl. PayPal fees reflected below)
Games Room Rental for Book Sale	101.25
Donation to Viscount Alexander PS Library	1,346.20 (all net proceeds from The Good Book Sale 2022)
Insurance	401.76
AGM	312.08
All Candidates Meeting	109.79
PayPal fees	119.27
Miscellaneous	486.92 (Internet services, Zoom licence, membership fees, etc.)

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**8,836.16**

Closing balance chq acc:	29,290.05
Closing balance GICs:	27,901.39
Closing balance PayPal acc:	NIL (3,011.73 transferred to chq acc Dec. 30/22)

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**57,191.44**

# Membership - Adhésion

- Members in good standing as of 18-May-23: **229**
- Membership numbers for period from 2022 AGM date (8-Jun-22) to 18-May-23:
  - Memberships up for renewal since 2022 AGM: 105
  - Memberships renewed since 2022 AGM: 42
  - New memberships since 2022 AGM: 15
- Strength in numbers: please encourage your friends and neighbours to support *their community association!*

# Town and Gown

## 2022/2023 Review

- ▶ ASH attended 6 Town and Gown meetings, with the following topics of discussion:
  - ▶ Panda
  - ▶ Saint Patrick's Day
  - ▶ Move-out
- ▶ ASH was also consulted in the **responsibility grid exercise** conducted for Panda by the main organizers as well as participated in the **welcome week walkabout**
- ▶ The ASH representative is now the **Vice Chair of the T&G Committee** alongside Councillor Plante
- ▶ ASH is also now a member to the **Ontario Town and Gown Association** and is participating in their monthly knowledge exchanges
- ▶ ASH provided input to other Councillors who are interested in **similar models** for their ward

# Town and Gown

## 2023/2024 Plans

- ▶ As Vice-Chair, the ASH rep will play a critical role in the administration of **regular meetings** for the committee
- ▶ Based on what we have heard from community members, ASH hopes to **diversify the T&G agenda** including to discuss several issues related to **housing** that are linked to the university
- ▶ ASH will continue to monitor known issues related to excessive partying and disturbances associated with Panda, St. Patrick's Day and other major events
- ▶ ASH will develop a plan for **better outreach and communication** for **Town and Gown issues**



# By-Law Enforcement Committee

## 2023 Review

- ▶ Initiative to re-establish the ASH By-Law Enforcement Committee
- ▶ Met with the Program Manager, Enforcement of the City of Ottawa's By-law and Regulatory Services as well as the Director of the City of Ottawa's By-law and Regulatory Services
- ▶ Connected with previous ASH board members with regards to Terms of Reference for the committee
- ▶ Connected with the Lowertown and Vanier Community Associations
- ▶ Connected with interested ASH Board Members and Community Members to join the committee
- ▶ Reviewed by-law quarterly metrics from the By-Law Enforcement team with analysis provided at the February ASH Board Meeting

# By-Law Enforcement Committee

## 2023/2024 Plans

- ▶ Create draft committee terms of reference
- ▶ Hold the first official committee meeting
- ▶ Finalize membership of the committee
- ▶ Finalize the committee terms of reference
- ▶ Committee to meet on a monthly basis to discuss issues arising and review quarterly metrics to provide insight to the ASH Board
- ▶ Provide monthly write briefing note to ASH Board
- ▶ Work with property owners to address by-law enforcement
- ▶ Create a plain language cheat sheet on most common by-law infractions in Sandy Hill neighbourhood and how to report

# Planning and Heritage Committee

## Activities in the past year

### Project Reviews

- ▶ The committee has reviewed well over a dozen individual development projects.
- ▶ We worked on establishing a standard set of project criteria—for example, impacts on the neighbourhood, waste management, safety etc.

### Challenging Year

- ▶ The committee has made submissions on several projects - most of which have been ignored by the City staff, Planning Committee and the Council.

### Developing a more strategic approach

- ▶ We worked on ideas and approaches to be more proactive.
- ▶ We met with Politicians and other stakeholders

# Planning and Heritage Committee

## 2023 Plans and Activities

### New Provincial Planning Legislation

- ▶ The committee has a base understanding of the impacts on planning and heritage; however, implementing the new rules by the City will define the actual impact on Sandy Hill.
- ▶ The City has until the end of the year to implement the new changes.

### Outreach to developers and organizations that have an impact on Sandy Hill

- ▶ Strategically proactively engaging with developers and organizations like uOttawa and St.Alban's.

### New City Zoning By-Laws

- ▶ The City has launched a project to update the zoning by-laws to meet the requirements of the new City Official Plan. In addition, the committee is actively reviewing reports, recommendations and will be providing input.

# Transportation Committee

## 2022 Changes in Sandy Hill

- ▶ Laurier/Nicholas rebuilt as a protected intersection
- ▶ New pedestrian crossing at Laurier/Range
- ▶ 4 intersections changed to 4-way stops (3 along Stewart + Cumberland/ Daly)
- ▶ New cycling track along Waller (Nicholas to Mackenzie-King bridge)
- ▶ Crosswalks rebuilt on Laurier at Chapel and at Nelson
- ▶ Start of project to rebuild Greenfield, adding cycling tracks in both directions

# Transportation Committee

## 2022: Advocacy Work

- ▶ Cycling Input
  - to planned north-south cycling project (re. Which street to select as preferred route...ie Chapel vs Sweetland vs Nelson)
  - to 25 yr vision in TMP for cycling projects in Sandy Hill
- ▶ TMP (Transportation Master Plan) policy language w.r.t. downtown trucks
  - Councilor's Motion at Council to amend TMP to report on how any future interprovincial project would change truck routings
- ▶ Meetings with MP and MPPs re. Downtown truck problem

## 2023 Plans

- ▶ NCC interprovincial truck study summer 2023
  - Provide input to NCC re. Data collection priorities
- ▶ Engage with Mayor Sutcliffe re. Downtown truck problem
- ▶ Engage with MTO on Eastern ON Transportation Plan and interprovincial trucks

# Environment Committee

- New Environment Committee established at November 1 Board meeting
  - Two co-chairs are: Bryan Dewalt and Marilyn Whitaker
  - Committee's Terms of Reference posted on ASH website
  - Environmental scan and initial priorities developed
  - EcoFair on May 13 was top initiative

Highly successful: 20+ exhibitors, over 300 attending. Planning for 2024
- ASH now a member of Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability (CAFES), supporting environmental action at community and municipal level
- Cleaning the Capital project in Strathcona Park held on April 29
- Sandy Hill Tree and Greening Group separate & gearing up for gardening

# Community and Social Services Working Group

## ► What is the CSS Working Group?

- The working group is as yet unofficial - hope to establish it officially at the Board meeting later this month
- Focus on housing needs and impacts of social services
- Have been building relationships in the areas impacted by a high concentration of social services

## ► Why does ASH need a CSS Working Group?

- High concentration of social services in and impacting North Sandy Hill
- Navigating the City of Ottawa bureaucracy
- Ensuring residents have a voice



# Community and Social Services Working Group

## 2022 Review

- ▶ **Participation in City of Ottawa committees and discussion groups:**
  - ▶ Leadership Table; Mental Health Working Group (now discontinued); Community and Social Services Budget Meeting
- ▶ **Participation in neighbourhood discussions and advocacy**
  - ▶ SHCHC / OASIS and clients; Councillor Plante; businesses; residents; constituents; condo boards
- ▶ **Building relationships**
  - ▶ City of Ottawa CET and Kent Hugh; SHCHC/OASIS and Wendy Stewart; Councillor Plante and her office; residents; unhoused community members; OPH; OPS/NRTs; other City of Ottawa infrastructure services

## 2023 Plans

- ▶ **Formalize and recruit**
- ▶ **Research, Write and Propose Position Statements:**
  - ▶ Ex., Housing; Safe consumption sites; Safe supply sites; De/concentration of social services; City of Ottawa infrastructure services
- ▶ **Relationship mapping in Sandy Hill**
- ▶ **Maintain and build new relationships**

# Block Reps

## 2022 Review

The ASH Block Reps communication network helped:

- ▶ Find volunteers and board members for Action Sandy Hill and the Sandy Hill Community Health Centre
- ▶ Find volunteers for the ASH Winter Carnival
- ▶ Alert community to various City of Ottawa surveys and consultations
- ▶ Share information on the Gotta-Go campaign in Ottawa
- ▶ Inform the community about Town and Gown meetings including information on the preparations by uOttawa and the City of Ottawa for the Panda Game and St Patrick's Day
- ▶ Share info on the Rideau Winter Trail and it's fundraiser
- ▶ Share Action Sandy Hill's statements on a variety of issues
- ▶ Share information from CAFES (Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability)

**New members have joined in the past few months, why don't you? We'd love to have you.**