



**Annual General meeting
Old Ottawa East Community Association (OOECA)
Tuesday, November 10, 2020**

Welcome by Bob Gordon, greetings from Joel Harden, MPP

Approval of agenda – moved by Ron Rose, seconded by Jim Strang

Approval of 2019 minutes – moved by Peter Tobin, seconded by John Dance

Chair's Report – Bob Gordon

- Thank you to Richard Cundall, Alexandra Gruca-Macauley who are stepping down from the board
- Vacancies on the board – VP, communications, Lees apartments, planning
- Highlights of the past year:
 - o street safety (Main Street audit, Concord/Greenfield crosswalk)
 - o traffic calming (30km speed limit on west side)
 - o capital projects (MTO – Nicholas interchange with 417, Greenfield/Main/Hawthorne PAC)
 - o various planning applications
 - o LPAT appeal

Treasurer's Report – Don Fugler

- \$22,915.00
 - o not including donations of \$10,892.31 made by residents to cover legal costs associated with the LPAT appeal
- Lower funds due to impacts of COVID 19 - cancellation of Main Event BBQ, limited membership drive
- LPAT legal bill - \$17,000 (approximately \$11,000 from donations, \$6500 from the OOECA)

Upcoming year

- Gym/community centre in Deschatalets building

- Opening of Au Coeur d'Ottawa
- Reconstruction of Greenfield/Main/Hawthorne
- Playground upgrades at Springhurst Park
- Cash-in-lieu of parkland in Old Ottawa East

Proposed board – vacancies in VP, communications, Lees apartments, planning

- Bob Gordon (chair), Phyllis Odenbach-Sutton (past chair), Don Fugler (treasurer), Catherine Pacella (secretary), Tom Scott (traffic), Suzanne Johnston (membership), Ron Rose (FCA), Peter Tobin (Greystone/Corners on Main), Jayson Maclean (SLOE), Brendan O'Kelly (parks/greenspace), John Dance (Lansdowne), Courtenay Beauregard (health/safety), Jaime Girard (at large)

Motions

- LPAT appeal legal costs
- Moved by Phyllis Odenbach-Sutton, seconded by Heather Jarrett: That members of the OOECA agree to commit an additional \$1,100.00 for the LPAT legal bill – motion approved
- Membership costs – due to pandemic, need to move to online membership fee collection and a proposed fee increase is proposed to help cover the costs
- Cost of a membership has been \$3 since 1990s
- Moved by Suzanne Johnston, seconded by Tom Scott: In order to facilitate an online transition for collection of membership fees, the fee will increase from \$3 to \$5 per household – motion approved
- Moved by Don Fugler, seconded by Suzanne Johnston: Approval of the 2019-2020 treasurer's report – motion approved
- Moved by Phyllis Odenbach-Sutton, seconded by Jayson Maclean: Nomination of Georgia Blondon to the board as a member at large (approved); nomination of Krista Broeckx to the board as a member at large (approved); nomination of Paul Goodkey to the board, Paul declines (no motion); nomination of Ian Sandinsky to the board as a member at large (approved)

Mainstreeter

- Lorne Abugov, editor
- Celebrating 35th anniversary
- Thank you to all the volunteers for all their efforts
- Appreciate the feedback about content
- Community webinars planned for the year, most recent one food security – five in 2021, next one on climate change
- Sneak peak for 2021 – newspaper boxes, planned features for the Mainstreeter – what will OOE look like in 2040

Councillor Shawn Menard

- Impact of COVID-19
 - o Opening up of streets, more space for activities, lots of support from residents for this
- Thank you to everyone who volunteers with the OOECA
- Many accomplishments in the community – removal of beg buttons, gym space at the future community centre
- 30 km/h gateway speeds approved (west side)
- Upcoming concerns on city budget, ongoing issues at Lansdowne, ward boundary consultations
- Q – Problems with rooming houses, is city turning a blind eye on intensified housing? Don't want a rooming house next to his retirement home.
- A – Intensification is coming up in the Official Plan, need a balance with issue of available housing
- Q – Why is a bus route planned through the Oblats? What is the rationale behind this?
- A – It is an area being intensified, need to look at everything else going on the community
- Q – Why only 4000 sq feet for the community centre? Heard that from Regional.
- A – Hadn't seen that figure, still being discussed with the school board as it's not Regional's decision.
- Q – Can we have a snowshoeing cross country trail along the west side of the Rideau River?
- A – In discussion, ongoing meetings
- Q – Has the 30 km/h speed been implemented yet? What about signage?
- A – Should be done soon, signs at all entrances to the community
- Q – How can we get the AVTC off the Transportation Master Plan?
- A – Trying – it's an ongoing battle but working on it with various community stakeholders
- Q – Heard buses at midnight – is this allowed?
- A – Will follow up
- Q – No mention of affordable housing at Regional – what can be done?
- A – Regional says they already contributed – ie: sale of building to school was significantly less. Unfortunately, nothing concrete that they have to do for affordable housing, just passing the buck.
- Comment – thanks to everyone who helped with the LPAT appeal

Motion to adjourn: moved by Mitch Vlad, seconded by Tom Scott