



**Joint Annual General Meeting
Old Ottawa East Community Association (OOECA) and
Community Activities Group (CAG)**

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

Church of the Ascension, 253 Echo Drive

MINUTES

1. Call to Order – 7:15 pm

Welcome by Co-Chairs John Dance and Mélanie Gilbert
Welcome by Reverend Canon Gary Hauch
Greetings from Councilor David Chernushenko;
Message from Catherine McKenna delivered by Nick Masciantonio.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved: Ron Rose Second: Stephen Pope; Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes, 2014 OOECA/CAG Annual General Meeting

Moved: Don Fugler; Second: Vicki Davis; Carried.

4. CAG President's and Treasurer's Reports – Mélanie Gilbert

Mélanie Gilbert provided a presentation on the past year's activities of CAG. Note that the report and financial statements are posted on the CAG website.

Motion to concur in CAG Financial Report: Moved: Lisa Dunnett. Second: Don Stephenson.
Carried.

5. Elections – Community Activities Group Executive

Proposed Executive for CAG 2015-2016:

Chair: Mélanie Gilbert
Past Chair: Nick Masciantonio
Treasurer: Lynn Byford
Secretary: Bonnie Wepler
Volunteer / Events coordinator – Lisa Dunnett
Member at Large – Don Stephenson

Motion to approve the Executive as proposed: Moved: Lisa Dunnett; Second: Nick Masciantonio; Carried.

6. OOECA President's and Treasurer's Report – John Dance

John Dance provided an overview of past activities of the Old Ottawa East Community

Association. Note that the President's Report and Treasurer's Report are available on the website of the Old Ottawa East Community Association.

Motion to concur in treasurer's report: Moved: Jim Strang. Second: Ian McRae. Carried.

7. Elections – OOECA Board

CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR THE BOARD OF THE OLD OTTAWA EAST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, 2015-2017

President: Phyllis Odenbach Sutton
Vice President: Ed Janes*
Treasurer: Don Fugler**
Secretary: Katherine Simonds
Planning : Stephen Pope
Transportation: Glen Linder*
Communications: Catherine Pacella
Sustainable Living Ottawa East: Ian McRae
Lees Apartment Rep: Bill Baldwin
Membership: Suzanne Johnston
Community Safety; Mark Seebaran*
Federation of Citizens' Associations: Eddie Gillis*
City Centre Coalition: Kate Martin*
Member at Large: Paul Goodkey*
Past President: John Dance

* New for 2015-2017 Board

** Fourth term

Motion: that the proposed slate of candidates for the OOECA Board 2015 - 2017 be approved with the special provision that Don Fugler be treasurer for a fourth two-year term (the standard is a maximum of three consecutive two-year terms).

Moved: Stephen Pope; Second: Don Fugler; Carried.

8. Sustainable Living Ottawa East Report – Ian McRae

9. *Mainstreeter* Update – Joe Paraskevas

10. Open Forum

Chris Osler moderated the question and answer forum.

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:45 PM. Moved Eddie Gillis: Second: Jim Strang. Carried.

APPENDIX 1 – COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES GROUP PRESIDENT’S REPORT

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APPENDIX 2 – COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES GROUP FINANCIAL REPORT

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APPENDIX 3 – OLD OTTAWA EAST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CHAIR’S REPORT



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APPENDIX 4 – OLD OTTAWA EAST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORT

OLD OTTAWA EAST COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT 10 NOVEMBER 2015

This is the Treasurer's report for the OOECA presented at the Annual General Meeting, 12 November 2015. All OOECA banking takes place at the TD-Canada Trust branch at Pretoria Bridge. There were four sub-accounts included in the OOECA account, where the OOECA takes care of banking for subgroups or committees within the Association. Figures are valid as of 13 October 2015.

A) The Ottawa East Community Garden at Saint Paul started this fiscal year with a balance of \$43.68 and ended with a balance of \$614.13. Their membership fees and a contribution from Just Food contributed \$1560.00. A delivery of soil and garden supplies added up to \$989.55 of expenses.

B) The Lees Avenue Community Garden started the year with \$1156.78 in their account and never touched their deposit. Membership fees must have covered incidental expenses.

C) Citizens for Healthy Communities (CHC) is a multi-community group that coordinated resistance to the Alta Vista Parkway. There was no movement in this account during the past year. The residual amount for the CHC is \$35.27.

D) Old Ottawa East Community Association – 2014/15

For the OOECA, there was an income of \$2471.00 from the sale of OOECA memberships. The Main Event made a net profit this year of \$850.37. The OOECA paid the cost of the directors' liability insurance to protect the association board members against claims to a total of \$550.80. The other major OOECA expenses were rental costs and food for various events, photocopying and supplies for event publicity and the membership drive, the repair of the projector used at community meetings, and covering the fees for an appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board. The new OOECA brochure was developed and printed for \$683.65 to which the Sandy Hill Community Health Centre donated \$250. The OOECA started with a total of \$17,583.51 in October 2014 and ended in October 2015 with a balance of \$18,795.29. See the table.

Item	Income (\$)	Expenses (\$)	Totals (\$)
OOECA account October 2014			17,583.51
Memberships sold	2,471.00		
Rogers refund	160.30		
Room rentals/meeting supplies		523.38	
FCA membership		30.00	
Main Event revenue	1469.00		
Main Event expenses		618.63	
Contribution to Remembrance Day wreath		30.00	
Photocopying and supplies		421.72	
Projector repair		180.34	
OMB fees		125.00	
Directors' insurance		550.80	
Brochure printing		683.65	
Contribution from SHCHC for printing)	250.00		
Bank adjustment in our favour	24.20		
Totals (as of 13 October 2015)	4374.50	3162.72	
OOECA account 13 October 2015 (but including insurance cheque yet to be cashed)			18,795.29

APPENDIX 5 – SUSTAINABLE LIVING OTTAWA EAST REPORT

SLOE report to the AGM of the Old Ottawa East Community Association

November, 10, 2015

Sustainable Living Ottawa East (SLOE) is an informal, action-oriented committee of the Old Ottawa East Community Association which encourages community members to focus on opportunities, follow individual initiatives, obtain funding and build networks to create socially and environmentally beneficial outcomes.

Achievements for 2015

- Followed up on the Deep Green initiative to explore sustainable options in the development of the Oblates Land, continuing a four-year partnership with Carleton University.
- Spearheaded an initiative for innovative housing for older adults with a grant from the Community Foundation of Ottawa and with help from the Sandy Hill Community Health Centre.
- Participated in a Low Impact Development (LID) workshop sponsored by Regional Group and involving City staff to look at the potential for integration of LID stormwater features in the development of Greystone Village. Assistance was provided to SLOE by Nick Sanders of the Ottawa Eco-Talent Network
- Became re-affiliated with the CAFES group of environmental committees of central community associations and joined the Healthy Transportation Coalition.
- Participated in discussions and provided feedback on the Rideau River Western Pathway, an anticipated multi-use pathway.
- Replaced the interpretive panel signs on the Rideau River Nature Trail.
- Followed up on park adoptions, performed clean-ups and removed invasive plants.
- Supervised student volunteers in a day of service in Brantwood Park

Challenges for 2016 and beyond

After nine years, Rebecca Aird is stepping down as chair of SLOE. SLOE has accomplished a lot under Rebecca's guidance and with a model of engagement that maximizes opportunities for shared leadership on initiatives. Fortunately she and other veteran members and partners will continue to participate in and support the renewed organization. SLOE will be seeking a new chair, a new communications lead and new members with energy and enthusiasm to continue making Old Ottawa East a most sustainable community.

In 2016 SLOE will pursue both current and new opportunities. Among other things SLOE will foster appropriate tree planting to re-green Main Street and develop the urban forest in our community. SLOE will work with Regional Group, government and regulatory bodies to ensure sound and sensitive creation of the 30 metre linear feature along Greystone Village's river frontage.

APPENDIX 6 – OPEN FORUM NOTES

Comment: Cars continue to drive along Echo drive the wrong way on a frequent basis.

Question: What is the current status of the extension of the Rideau River pathway?

Response (Ian McRae): SLOE has been proposing that a non-paved pathway be established along the west side of the Rideau River. The City standard calls for a three-metre wide paved pathway be used for a cycle and pedestrian path. More design iterations are to come.

Comment: There is support for an unpaved natural pathway along the Rideau River.

Question: What is the latest from the City around increasing community space?

Response (John Dance): We do not have an official declaration from the City, although we do know that the councilor recognizes the need in the community for more public space.

Comment (David Chernushenko): There ought to be some sort of new community centre or at least some new community spaces. There will be some connectivity along the river bank, although there are differences of opinion as to what the pathway ought to look like. There will probably have to be a compromise to allow for bike path as well as a naturalized pedestrian pathway.

Question: What is the community association doing about infil and knock-down developments in the neighbourhood. For example, what about the Portuguese church? Does the community association keep an eye on these smaller developments?

Response (Stephen Pope): The Association does indeed keep an eye on the development plans and proposals throughout the community. We have in the past had success leading initiatives to push for developments to fit better into mature communities. We always have to be there when we need to challenge proposals.

Comment: The Community Association should be the route for public engagement. Does the City allocate any resources to community associations to facilitate public engagement?

Response (John Dance): The Community Association does not receive any money from the City. The councilor's office does ask our opinion on things, and we do find we have opportunities for engagement.

Question: Are there plans to allow better access to the river (i.e. with kayaks and canoes) without having to bring in a shipping container to bring in the boats?

Response (Melanie Gilbert): We are looking at alternatives for storage for kayaks and canoes but there are budgetary constraints of course.

Response (Carol Workun): There have been conversations with the City about a more permanent facility for the boats; however, we do need to establish the program first and demonstrate that we have long-term need for a boat facility. Building a permanent structure would be very expensive.

Question: What was the result of the vote at the City's Transportation Committee regarding the complete streets framework?

Response (Ron Rose): It passed. There was a wide range of support for complete streets in the City of Ottawa. It passed transportation committee quite easily and will go next to council.