



**Meeting of the Ottawa East Community Association
Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 7:15 p.m.
Old Town Hall, 61 Main Street**

Board Members

John Dance
Stephen Pope
Ron Rose
Vicki Davis
Bill Baldwin
Catherine Pacella
John Baglow
Jim Strang
Don Fugler
Jamie Brougham
Leslie Kirk
Barbara Hicks

Regrets: Jill Wherrett, Nick Masciantonio,
Jaime Girard

Other attendees:

Robert Reid
Nancy Wasserman
Margarita Montes
John Douwes
Margaret Dunn
Anthony Leaning
Howard Wasserman
Chris Bishop
Mouzaya Dabboussy
Michael Oster

1. Call to Order @ 7:15 – John Dance

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved – Don Fugler, 2nd – Jamie Brougham. Carried

3. Approval of Mar 13, 2012 Meeting Minutes

There was one revision: Ian McRae did not attend the meeting.

Moved – Jim Strang, 2nd – Ron Rose. Carried

4. Chair's Report – John Dance

- Cash in lieu of parkland proposals. We have requested \$24,000 for amenities this yer and to ban \$76,000 for future projects.
- Stephen Pope and John Dance have signed a letter to the City stating that Ottawa East Community Association is opposed to digital signs at Ottawa Convention Centre
- expressed thanks to Ron Rose for work on Hawthorne avenue traffic calming and establishing the Main Street/McIlraith Bridge working group and to Stephen Pope for his work on planning guidelines for infill housing.

5. Treasurer's Report – Don Fugler

- Don mentioned that incorporation for OECA will cost at least \$500.00

Moved: That the OECA Board of Directors approve the initial expenditure of \$500.00 for incorporation of the Association.
Moved – Don Fugler, 2nd Jim Strang. Carried

6. Affordable Housing Project in Old Ottawa East

Michael Oster presented the slide show that he had sent to members prior to the Board meeting. He is involved with the Ottawa Community Loan Fund to investigate the possibility of creating affordable housing for seniors and others on the land in Old Ottawa East behind Saint Paul University. It is owned by the Oblates (Les Oblats Cap de la Madeleine and Sisters (Sisters of the Sacred Heart) and will be sold and developed. They have funding from United Way of Ottawa for this project. He asked for support for this project from the Board of Directors and asked for volunteers to work with him on this.

Motion: That the Ottawa East Community Association Board of Directors support the continued investigation of the concept of affordable housing on the institutional lands in Old Ottawa East by the Ottawa Community Loan Fund.

Moved – Stephen Pope, 2nd Bill Baldwin. Carried.

Stephen Pope, Anthony Leaning and Chris Bishop (from Saint Paul University) volunteered to work on this with Michael. He will try to meet with representatives of the Sisters and Oblates to obtain their support for this work.

7. Councillor's report

David Chernushenko did not attend the meeting and did not send a report. John will continue to investigate the issue of the land to the north of the old Town Hall and its condition.

8. Committee and Representatives' reports

8.1 Planning

Stephen Pope reported that the City Planning Committee had passed a motion which restricts the appearance of infill projects in mature neighbourhoods to that which looks similar to housing in the area.

The land at Redmond Place will be sold.

There will be a severance coming on a duplex on Evelyn in the future.

8.2 Sustainable Living Ottawa East

Vicki mentioned the planning meeting to be held April 12 to look at a draft plan for the trail in Brantwood Park. The meeting will be held 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. At the field house.

Main Farmers' Market will open May 5.

Springhurst Park cleanup and Rideau River canoe cleanup will be held April 21. Brantwood Park cleanup will be held May 12.

Howard Wasserman, who works with Sandy Hill Community Health Centre is helping to organize Capital Velofest, a bicycle festival June 2 and 3. There will be a night ride June 2 and an event in and around Brantwood Park June 3 from 10:30 to 1:00 p.m. It will be family oriented and include an obstacle course, safety lessons, games, bike decorating and a parade. They will inform schools and create signs.

8.3 Traffic

Ron Rose reported that bus #5x is still running twice a day to the General campus of the Ottawa Hospital from Sandy Hill.

City Transportation Committee agreed to implement calming measures for Hawthorne Avenue. It may be done this year.

Midtown Footbridge design should be on the City website April 16.

8.4 City Centre Coalition

Leslie reported that there was no meeting in the previous month.

8.5 Federation of Citizens' Associations

Jamie reported that the past meeting was on governance issues. They would like the City to consult with community associations on various issues.

Jamie showed a 3 part bulletin board that can be set up on a table. He is giving it to OECA to use to display information from the various committees at the Main Farmers' Market.

8.6 Communications

Catherine reported that the website, www.ottawaeast.ca is now live. She will add e-mail addresses for John Dance and Stephen Pope. They will keep statistics on the use of the website.

9. Community Activities Group

Catherine had no report. She mentioned that the Main Event will be held on June 16. There will be a Lady Evelyn book sale in May.

There was no new business.

Adjournment

Moved – John Baglow, 2nd Ron Rose. Carried.