

Meeting of the Old Ottawa East Community Association Board

Tuesday, May 14, 2013

Old Town Hall, 61 Main Street

Attendees

Board Members:

John Dance
Jaime Girard
Don Fugler
Jill Wherrett
Nick Masciantonio
Ron Rose
Vicki Davis
Bill Baldwin
Gabrielle Schaeffer
Jim Strang
Devin O'Grady
regrets:
Stephen Pope
Barbara Hicks
Catherine Pacella
John Baglow

Others present:

Barry Davis
Tom Bezanson
Seamus DeGrandpre
Phil Pawliuk
Bonnie Wepler
Ian McRae
Wendy McRae
James McKimm
Don Morse
Christian Pupp
Joseph Zebrowski
Carol Alette
Jim Fraser
Paul Goodkey
Bob Beauregard
Michael Qaqish
David Chernushenko

1. Call to order at 7:15 p.m.

2. Approval of agenda

- Addition of community security and membership drive
- Moved – Vicki Davis; 2nd – Don Fugler. Carried

3. Approval of May 14, 2013 Meeting Minutes

- Moved – Jim Strang; 2nd – Vicki Davis. Carried.

4. Chair's Report - John Dance

The Chair reported on:

- Main Event: thanks to Wendy McRae for organizing BBQ; still looking for volunteers
- OECA Board slate for AGM: several openings for new board members
- 125th Anniversary of Old Ottawa East: village was founded in 1888
- Cash-in-lieu of Parkland: OECA and CAG have sent joint letter to Mayor ,etc., raising issues around the cost of CiLP projects and the costing of cost-shared programs
- AVTC: OECA continues to express opposition to AVTC; not known yet what City will be recommended in the new Transportation Master Plan
- Soeurs du Sacré-Coeur property: OECA and city met with a developer that has an offer in for part of the land; main concern is parking on east side of Main Street – looking at solutions
- John made a tribute on behalf of the OECA to Joseph Zebrowski, on his retirement as editor of the Mainstreeter

5. Treasurer's Report - Don Fugler

- Little activity in OOECA account this month

6. 417 Expansion – Evelyn Daniko, City of Ottawa

- The presentation provided an overview of the expansion project, the construction schedule and community impacts (Lees SE ramp closure, Lees rapid bridge replacement, Lees and Hurdman station changes). Questions addressed the timing of the Lees ramp closure, and impacts on motorists and bike paths

7. Lees Transit-Oriented Development Update - Chris Brouwer and Don Morse

- An update was provided from the presentation done in March 2013. A public open house is planned for the third week of September.

8. Community Security - Jaime Girard

- There have been a number of recent break-ins, rifling through/thefts from vehicles, and thefts of bicycles from yards. The need to lock cars and to report all incidents to the police were highlighted.

9. Main Street Renewal Open House - Ron Rose

- Open houses to be held June 17 at St. Paul and June 18 at the Greenboro Community Centre to discuss the preferred design.

10. Councillor's Report

- The councillor spoke about the redesign of Main St. and the upcoming open houses.

11. Rideau River Western Pathway – Jaime Girard and Ian McRae

- Open house to be held on June 12 (covering area from Belmont to U of O); OECA to encourage soft surface

12. Committee Reports

12.1 Planning - Stephen Pope

- Nil (written report circulated to board)

12.2 SLOE - Vicki Davis

- Updates were provided on summer activities and plans for the Children's Garden, Lees Avenue Community Gardens, and Ottawa East Community Gardens and Rideau River Nature Trail

12.3 Transportation - Ron Rose

- Hawthorne Avenue speed bumps and traffic calming have finally been installed

12.4 CCC - Gabi Shaeffer

- Topics discussed at the last CCC meeting included: 1) East-West LRT (location of corridor section along Richmond Rd); 2) interprovincial bridge – NCC confirmed that Kettle Island is their preferred location; and 3) interprovincial transit study.

12.5 FCA - Jim Strang

- Items discussed at the May 12 FCA meeting included: transportation (presentation from the City); Emerald Ash Borer; FCA input to the Official Plan (items of concern include random spot zoning, communications between city planners and communities, priority areas for Transit Oriented Development, and desirability of the Complete Street concept; Hintonburg Summit (meeting held between communication association planners and representatives from the builders' association in late May)

12.6 Communications - Catherine Pacella

- Nil

12.7 Community Safety - Jaime Girard

- See item 8 above.

12.8 Membership – Wendy McRae

- OOECA membership drive will take place in September and October
- Barbara Hicks is retiring as coordinator; replacement is needed

13. Community Activities Group

- Main Event on June 15
- CAG has set some new long-term priorities
- looking for youth volunteers

14. Date of Next Meeting – September 10, 2013**15. Adjournment@ 9:35 p.m.**

- Moved – Bill Baldwin; 2nd – Don Fugler