

Meeting of the Ottawa East Community Association Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 7:15 p.m. Old Town Hall, 61 Main Street

Bill Baldwin
John Baglow
Jamie Brougham
Jamey Burr
John Dance
Jennifer Drew
Cynthia Grant
Claire Farid
Don Fugler
Jaime Girard
Heather Jarrett
Leslie Kirk

Nick Masciantonio, Chair Wendy McRae Jenny Mitchell Patience Mwanga Maryna Nowosielski Catherine Pacella Julie Peckham Ron Rose Jill Wherrett Carol Workun Regrets: Jan D'Arcy, Paul Goodkey, Barbara Hicks, Christian Pupp

1. Call to Order - Nick Masciantonio @ 7:20 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

- Addition of snow removal, Councillor's Cup and Brantwood Gates under New Business
- Moved John Baglow, 2nd Jamie Brougham. Carried

3. Approval of January 11, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Moved – John Dance, 2nd – Don Fugler. Carried

4. Community Design Plan - Community space on Oblate's property - Claire Farid

- Proposal made by CAG to include community space/centre on Oblate's land in CDP request for statement of support from OECA.
- Discussion addressed general issue of public space on Oblate's land and need to
 pursue this opportunity, possible uses of Deschatelets building and land adjacent to
 Town Hall. It was suggested the opportunities for the Oblate's land be pursued, with
 consideration given in the future to expanding Town Hall if the public space on Oblate's
 land does not work out.

Motion: The OECA agrees to join CAG and other community stakeholders in pursuing the future development of a community centre on a section of the Oblate's property. Moved – Catherine Pacella, 2nd – John Dance. Carried.

5. Chair's Report - Nick Masciantonio

- Deal for city to buy land adjacent to Town Hall is almost complete. City has no current plans to redesign or expand Old Town Hall.
- CDP: Consultants and city to meet next week; PAC to review plan again; full open house to follow (likely early March).
- Colonel By crossing: Danger very evident during Winterlude NCC clearly needs to do something.
- OECA constitution: Small group has met to review constitution prior to incorporation.

6. Treasurer's Report – Don Fugler

- \$500 sent to Friends of Lansdowne, further to motion adopted at last meeting
- \$70 in CD sales.

7. Councillor's Report

- Ward Council (Councillor and presidents of ward community associations) meeting held on February 7. Key issues included budget, cash-in-lieu of parkland.. Ward Council Agreed to meet every quarter
- Budget: There is funding in the budget this year related to Alta Vista Transportation Corridor; Councillor raised questions with mayor and other councillors. Funding for "missing links" in pathways (e.g. Rideau River) didn't make it into budget.
- Urban infill: There is a need to update zoning definitions and review guidelines. A small consultation process has started (see capitalward.ca for more information).
- Oblates' land: Councillor clarified comments he made to the Ottawa Citizen.

8. Lansdowne Update – Ron Rose

- Friends of Lansdowne in court on Feb. 1: asked to be recognized as litigant, have their studies accepted in court proceedings, and city to cover costs in case of loss. F of L has raised \$100,000.
- Green Door has offered its food, facilities and staff for a fundraiser.
- Feb. 10 preliminary meeting of those involved with appeal to OMB.

9. The Mainstreeter - Ron Rose

- Next issue Feb. 15/16.
- Closing date for articles for April issue is March 3rd.

10. Ottawa Budget – Alta Vista Transportation Corridor – John Dance/Ron Rose

- Discussion of concerns related to \$55 m in budget for 1.2 km transportation corridor (while there is no funding for missing links in pathways); concern over potential for future expansion.
- Motion: That the OECA reiterate its opposition to the Alta Vista Transportation Corridor. Moved – John Dance, 2nd – Don Fugler. Carried.

11. Committee and Representatives Reports

11.1. Planning Committee

• John Dance noted that the committee of adjustment did not approve the 300 Main St. development. Uncertain what developer will do next.

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11.2. Sustainable Living Ottawa East – John Dance

- Cynthia Dwyer has taken on SLOE bookkeeping. SLOE projects have brought in \$80,000 to date (does not include market).
- Motion proposed by Cycling Committee regarding Main/Riverdale/ Mutchmor intersection:

Whereas the safety of cyclists and pedestrians at the Main-Riverdale-Mutchmor intersection requires improvement;

Whereas Mutchmor is the key link from Main/Smyth to Echo and the canal pathways and the current cycling connectivity of Mutchmor to Riverdale/Main is impeded and dangerous; and

Whereas the current draft of the OOE community design plan reads:, "Main Street at Riverdale Roundabout – Study the potential to provide a roundabout at this intersection as a traffic management and urban design feature. Construct at the time of roadway lifecycle maintenance;" ("4.12 Capital Improvement Project Proposals").

Be it resolved that this be amended to read:

Main Street and Riverdale Intersection – During the Main Street redesign process, assess means of: (1) improving the safety of the Main-Riverdale intersection for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists; (2) ensuring the connectivity of cycling traffic flow along Mutchmor, between the Main-Smyth and Echo cycling routes; (3) discouraging "cut-through" traffic that uses Riverdale rather than Riverside to get to and from Bank Street; and (4) improving the "gateway" and visual attractiveness of this intersection.

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

11.3. Traffic – Ron Rose

- Hawthorne traffic calming: Doesn't appear to be any funding in city budget. Will get a one-way sign coming out of Scotiabank.
- Elgin St. extension: no news, but there appears to be an issue related to #6 bus having to travel on Queen Elizabeth.

11.4. City Centre Coalition – Leslie Kirk

- Segregated bike lanes: CCC supported Citizen's for Safe Cycling position.
- CCC is strongly opposed to AVTC.

11.5. Federation of Community Associations – Christian Pupp

• Nil report (Christian absent)

12. Community Activities Group (CAG) Report – Catherine Pacella

- Programming going on in Fieldhouse. Still many small items to finish in Fieldhouse.
- Valentine's Skate cancelled due to lack of volunteers.

13. New Business

- Snow Removal John Baglow
 - Discussion of whether city had cut back on snow removal; situation appears to vary depending on street.
- Councillor's Cup results John Dance
 - o Ottawa East defeated by Ottawa South 10-9 in final game.
- Brantwood Gates Jennifer Drew
 - Met with Legion this week; working on a joint briefing note to MP, MPP and Councillor on restoration and preservation of gates.

14. Date of Next Meeting - March 8, 2011

15. Adjournment