

Meeting of the Ottawa East Community Association Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at 7:15 p.m. Old Town Hall, 61 Main Street

John Baglow
Jamie Brougham
Dana Collings
Sally Coutts
John Dance
Jennifer Drew
Heather Dyke
Claire Farid
Claire Frechette
Don Fugler
Jaime Girard
Paul Goodkey
Katherine Grechuta
Barbara Hicks
Heather Jarrett

John Jarrett
Richard Kilstrom
Leslie Kirk
Kathy Krywicki
Charles Lanktree
Nick Masciantonio, Chair
Bob McElligott
Laura Muelle
Barry Padolsky
Lloyd Phillips
Christian Pupp
Ron Rose
Pierre Sadik
Jill Wherrett
Regrets: Jan D'Arcy

- 1. Call to Order Nick Masciantonio @ 7:20 p.m.
- 2. Approval of Agenda

Moved - John Baglow, 2nd - Barbara Hicks. Carried

3. Approval of December 14, 2010 meeting minutes

Moved – John Dance, 2nd – Jaime Girard. Carried.

- 4. Community Design Plan Update Ted Fobert, Lloyd Philips and Bruno St-Jean
 - Ted Fobert (FoTenn Consultants), Lloyd Phillips (Lloyd Phillips and Associates) and Bruno St- Jean (DCYSA Architecture and Design) provided an update on the draft plan for the Oblates and Sisters of the Sacred Heart property. Mr. Fobert outlined the process to date and guiding principles (diversity of use, activities and people; celebrate legacy and heritage of the site; vibrant Main St.; integrate green space; promote health and sustainability in community; encourage partnerships; ensure compatible development), Mr. St-Jean gave an overview of the plan, and Mr. Phillips discussed the zoning details. Charles Lanktree (City of Ottawa) advised that they are working toward a CDP open house in February, and committee/council in March.
 - Discussion focussed on the height of the proposed 9-storey towers, future of existing Sisters' building, historic designation of Deschâtelets Residence, sidewalk width, and space for community use.

5. Chair's Report - Nick Masciantonio

Nil

6. Treasurer's Report - Don Fugler

• No expenditures in December

7. Membership Report – Barbara Hicks

• Membership currently stands at 486, with several folders still outstanding.

8. Process for 2011 Cash-in-lieu-of-parkland funds – John Dance

- Process did not work as well as it might have last year; need for a clearer process. John outlined a suggested approach (see attached).
- Nick noted that Capital Ward community association presidents had met the previous evening and also talked about the need for a formal/equitable process as a priority.

9. Clean-up of underneath McIlraith Bridge (pigeons) - John Dance

• Motion: The OECA urges the City of Ottawa to regularly clean up the piles of bird feces that accumulate on the paved path under the McIlraith Bridge and that bird deterrence be installed in a timely manner so that birds do not nest under the bridge. Moved – John Dance; 2nd Jaime Girard. Carried.

10. Open house for the Donald-Somerset footbridge - John Dance

 First open house on January 13 at Rideau Tennis Club. Will provide useful information/experience in relation to process for mid-town footbridge

11. Enhancing community involvement – Jamie Brougham

- Jamie proposed a number of ideas to aimed at enhancing community involvement and asked it people would be interested in getting together to discuss further.
- Nick suggested that some initiatives could be done in partnership with CAG, SLOE or St. Paul.
- Jamie to discuss with Claire Farid, Rebecca Aird and Nick.

12. Lansdowne Update – Ron Rose

- Friends of Lansdowne legal case hearing scheduled for April, but could be delayed.
 Have raised about \$75,000; aiming for \$100,000. City still has not determined if it will pursue costs after case is heard.
- Havana Night fundraiser at Firehall on January 29; Lansdowne Follies at the Mayfair on Feb. 5. Green Door has offered its space for an event; Ron to follow-up.
- Discussion of OECA support for Friends of Lansdowne.
- Motion: That OECA make a donation of \$500 to Friends of Lansdowne legal case. Moved Ron Rose; 2nd John Dance. Carried.

13. The Mainstreeter - Ron Rose

Deadline for next issue is January 13.

14. Committee and Representatives Reports

- 14.1. Planning Committee Paul Goodkey
 - City planning meeting on Jan. 12 will address 300 Main development. Plan has improved; may be the best we can get. Discussion on whether to write a letter

- indicating that OECA does not have an objection; concerns about setting a precedent
- Motion moved that OECA write a conditional response (indicating that while OECA does not object to this development, it is because of special circumstances and should not be considered a precedent). Moved – Anthony Leaning; 2nd – Heather Jarrett. Carried. Paul to draft letter.

14.2. Sustainable Living Ottawa East – John Dance

• Rink is in operation; Ottawa East Hosers to defend Councillor's cup on Jan. 30 or Feb. 6.

14.3. Traffic - Ron Rose

- Still no word from NCC regarding closure of Elgin St. extension.
- Councillor's office arranging meeting with city planners dealing with Hawthorne Ave. traffic calming.

14.4. City Centre Coalition – Leslie Kirk

No meeting yet this year.

14.5. Federation of Community Associations – Christian Pupp

 Next meeting on Jan. 13. Two issues: 1) suggestion that associations get together to request that Council not approve funding for hospital extension; 2) support for Friends of Lansdowne/legal liability.

15. Community Activities Group (CAG) Report - Claire Farid

- Fieldhouse open, children's programming taking place this session.
- Winter Party in the Park is Jan. 23; Valentine's Skate is Feb. 11.

16. Councillor's Report

- Introduced Pierre Sadik as councillor's office liaison person with OECA.
- McIlraith Bridge: met with engineer in charge of design; also trying to speak to those responsible for community consultation. Will follow-up regarding cycling funds.
- Cash-in-lieu of parkland: would like to have a discussion with representatives of community associations and come to some agreement on general principles.
- Councillor indicated that he will share information about city budget when it is available.
- Delay of Main St. rebuilding was brought to councillor's attention.

17. New Business

Nil

18. Date of Next Meeting - February 8, 2011

19. Adjournment

9:55 p.m. Moved – John Dance; 2nd John Baglow. Carried.