#### Meeting of the Ottawa East Community Association Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 7:15 p.m. Old Town Hall, 61 Main Street

Bill Baldwin Sylvain Briand Jamie Brougham David Chernushenko John Dance Wlad Danielak Jan D'Arcy Don Fugler Jaime Girard Barbara Hicks Heather Jarrett John Jarrett Jerzy Jurewicz Zofia Jurewicz Maciej Karpinski Leslie Kirk Nick Masciantonio Catherine Pacella Bing Peart Stephen Pope Christian Pupp Ron Rose Jim Strong Jill Wherrett Regrets: John Baglow, Jennifer Drew, Paul Goodkey

# 1. Call to Order – Nick Masciantonio, Chair, @ 7:20

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

Moved – Jan D'Arcy, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Christian Pupp. Carried.

#### 3. Approval of June 14, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Moved – Don Fugler, 2<sup>nd</sup>– John Dance. Carried, as amended.

#### 4. Chair's Report – Nick Masciantonio

- CDP was passed by city council two weeks ago. There is a 20-day period in which objections can be raised to the Ontario Municipal Board.
- City Budget process: Capital Ward community association presidents met with City Councillor last week to discuss budget priorities for the ward. Two priorities were identified: 1) Main St. rehabilitation; and 2) Heron Park community centre/fieldhouse.
- OECA AGM will take place at St. Paul on November 8<sup>th</sup>. A small committee will be struck re new executive.
- Following Chair's report, there was discussion of cash-in-lieu of parkland: left over funds from 2010 will be moved to this fiscal year; consultations will take place later this fall; it was suggested that community organizations be asked to make suggestions now. There was also a brief discussion of the CDP/building height limits and setbacks.

#### 5. Treasurer's Report – Don Fugler

• OECA has over \$10,000 in the bank, \$2,000 of which belongs to the Ottawa East Community Garden. We have agreed to handle funds for the Lees Community Garden.

#### 6. Midtown Footbridge Update – John Dance

• No date set for 2<sup>nd</sup> open house. Study team has responded to comments from 1<sup>st</sup>

open house (see blog): will address "need" issue, will review on-street parking during major events.

• Canvass of Ottawa East businesses (by Ron Rose) indicated unanimous support.

#### 7. Adopt-a-Park Program for Ballantyne Park – Nick Masciantonio

- Adopt-a-Park agreements for Legget and Ballantyne Parks are expiring. SLOE will continue with Legget Park (Children's Garden) and has asked OECA to assume Ballantyne Park.
- Following a short discussion on possible uses for Ballantyne Park, the following motion was proposed: That the OECA adopt Ballantyne Park.
  Moved Christian Pupp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Leslie Kirk. Carried.

#### 8. Brantwood Park Dock – Nick Masciantonio and John Dance

• Dock should be installed in the coming weeks.

#### 9. Membership Drive – Barbara Hicks

- Looking for volunteers. An info piece on the OECA and AGM notice will be distributed.
- Nick asked for volunteers to join him and Jan D'Arcy on nominating committee for OECA executive. Catherine Pacella and Jamie Brougham agreed to join.

#### 10. Ottawa Centre All-Candidates Meeting – Nick Masciantonio

• All provincial candidates invited to meeting at St. Paul on September 29, at 7 p.m. Openfile.ca will provide an on-line component.

# 11. Councillor's Report - David Chernushenko

- Budget: The councillor reported on the ward presidents' meeting regarding the city Budget: agreed on no cuts to libraries or community centres and no further cuts to transit as city-wide priorities; for Capital Ward, priority is reconstruction of Main St. (design plan, timing). This led to was a discussion of burying hydro wires, and suggestion of an early consultation process on Main St. The councillor also noted that he would push for completion of the western section of Rideau River pathway.
- Infill: City report on study of small-scale residential infill in mature neighbourhoods has been issued. Recommendations include more prescriptive management of residential infill (e.g., grades, garage doors).

# 12. Ideas on Connecting with the Community – Jamie Brougham

- The association's support was sought for a plan to reach out to the community, through an email survey approach to obtain community views on issues, with possible funding support from a "neutral sponsor".
- Following discussion of various other means to obtain community input (Mainstreeter, e-update) and the challenges and benefits of a survey approach, it was suggested that the idea be developed further and brought back to the OECA for further discussion.

# **13. Committee and Representatives Reports**

#### 13.1. Planning Committee – Paul Goodkey

99 Greenfield (Legion Building) development:

- Architect would like to present plan at the October meeting
- Several residents spoke about concerns related to the potential closure of Redmond Place for access to the King's Landing condominiums, and sought the assistance of the OECA. Nick advised that the OECA will reply to the city and work to ensure a fair process; OECA planning committee will address the issue. Councillor Chernushenko indicated that he would discuss the issue and hopefully a compromise can be found.
- Questions were also raised about the developer purchasing an adjacent lot owned by the city.

# 13.2. Sustainable Living Ottawa East – John Dance

- June 25 shoreline planting supported by Molson was successful.
- Market and Children's Garden also had a successful summer.
- Sept. 4 Carleton students worked on nature trail.

# 13.3. Traffic – Ron Rose

- Keeping an eye on status of McIlraith Bridge rehabilitation.
- Bus route changes will take up loss of Main St. bus access to Smyth Rd in Budget discussions.

# 13.4. City Centre Coalition – Leslie Kirk

- Last meeting was in June: NCC to do a review of parkways (roads) policy.
- Next meeting is September 28.

# 13.5. Federation of Citizens' Associations – Christian Pupp

• Next meeting September 27.

# 14. Community Activities Group (CAG) Report –Catherine Pacella

- Fall programming is open.
- New bookkeeper and treasurer in place.

# 15. New Business

• Question raised about whether OECA involved in light rail development issues. President responded that yes, OECA keeps an eye on this issue through City Centre Coalition and OECA Traffic portfolio.

# 16. Date of Next Meeting – October 11, 2011

# 17. Adjournment