

Date:

• November 14, 2023, 7:00 pm ET In person:

• Old Town Hall, 61 Main Street

Online: Zoom meeting link

• Meeting ID: 889 7755 5509, passcode: 124778

Welcome to the 2023 Old Ottawa East Community Association Annual General Meeting.

I would like to thank everyone who in attendance today, in-person here at Old Town Hall, and virtually via Zoom.

Materials for this evening are available on our website, along with paper copies for those who are attending in-person.

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order; Welcome and land acknowledgement
- 2. Remarks from MPP Joel Harden, Councillor Shawn Menard
- 3. Approval of Agenda and Minutes
 - 2023 Agenda
 - 2022 AGM minutes with Chair's report and Treasurer's report
- 4. Chair's report: 2022-2023 year in brief, 2023-2024 look ahead
- 5. Treasurer's report
- 6. Board Elections
- 7. Open forum
- 8. Adjournment

Our agenda for tonight will consist of a welcome and land acknowledgement, followed by opening remarks from our political representatives in attendance. After which, we will begin the formal part of the meeting with approval of tonight's agenda, along with the minutes from the 2022 AGM, followed by the 2023 Chair report, then Treasurer's report.

After the last report, we will hold our official board elections, which will include nominations from the floor.

When the elections conclude, an open forum will be held at which time community members may ask questions to the board, or make statements, all of which will be recorded.

Upon conclusion of the forum, the meeting will adjourn, and those of us in person can mingle and chat in the main floor room

1. Welcome

- Land acknowledgement
- · Housekeeping details



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As we join, we begin with a land acknowledgement, that recognizes and respects Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of this land and the enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous Peoples and their traditional territories.

I want to acknowledge that the land upon which we are gathering, both virtually and in-person, is on the traditional and unceded Anishinaabe Algonquin territory.

The peoples of the Anishinaabe Algonquin Nation have lived on this territory since time immemorial. Their culture and presence have nurtured and continue to nurture this land. They the customary keepers and defenders of the Ottawa River Watershed and its tributaries, something very familiar to our community. We honour their long history of welcoming many Nations to this beautiful territory and uphold and uplift the voice and values of our Host Nation. The Old Ottawa East Community Association honours the peoples and land of the Anishinabe Algonquin Nation.

For our meeting tonight, I ask that all questions be reserved until the Open Forum portion of the meeting.

For those of you joining virtually, the permission to unmute your microphone will stay locked until that part of the meeting, after which you will be allowed to unmute yourself. However, please only do so after you have been called upon, if you do have a question.

For those joining in-person, when the open forum begins, we will have a microphone for your use to allow for those joining virtually to hear your questions. Please ensure to state your name before your question.

2. Opening Remarks



MP Yasir Naqvi

YasirNaqvi.ca



MPP Joel Harden

JoelHarden.ca



Councillor Shawn Menard

ShawnMenard.ca

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As we begin our evening, it is my pleasure to welcome our political representatives with us tonight. We will provide an opportunity for each representative to provide a greeting to the community.

Unfortunately, Mr. Naqvi is unavailable to join us this evening, but does send his thanks to the community.

With that, first up will be our Member of Provincial Parliament, Mr. Joel Harden: Joel, welcome.

Joel comments

Thank you very much Joel. I appreciate your words, and want to send along my appreciation for your community efforts and engagement.

Next, is our Councillor Shawn Menard. Unfortunately, Councillor Menard is involved in a budget consultation with other Councillors, and is unable to attend for opening remarks. He does hope to virtually join upon conclusion of his consultation meeting.

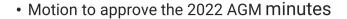
However, we do have a representative from the Councillors office with us, Ariela Summit.

Ariela comments

Thanks for being here tonight, and for your continued engagement with our community.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes







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At this time, I would like present the Agenda for the meeting tonight, for entry into record. Before we call for a motion to approve the agenda, are there any questions or comments from the current board?

Wait for call

Can I please have a motion to approve the agenda for this evening? Second?
All those in favour?
Any opposition?
Any abstention?

So moved.

At this time, I would like present the minutes from the 2022 AGM, for entry into record. Before we call for a motion to approve the minutes, are there any questions or comments from the current board?

Wait for call

Can I please have a motion to approve the agenda for this evening? Second?
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Any opposition?
Any abstention?

So moved.

3. Chair's report, including committee reports Communications Parks and Greenspace Federation of Citizens' **Planning** Associations (FCA) Sustainable Living Ottawa Health and Safety East (SLOE) The Corners on Main and Lansdowne **Greystone Village** Transportation and 10 Membership Infrastructure

This report is to provide an overview of the past year, by reviewing each of current standing committees and outlining our current finances. This will include a summarized report from Transportation, planning, Greystone/Lees, SLOE, Parks and Greenspace, Landsdowne as well as a general overview of other activities and items.

The final item is an overview of the coming year, and to what items the CA will be paying focus

- Communications Bob Gordon
- FCA (Federation of Citizens' Associations) Ron Rose
- 3. Health and Safety Courtenay Beauregard
- Lansdowne Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay (<u>Report</u>)
- 5. Membership Suzanne Johnston
- Parks and Greenspace Jamie Brougham (<u>Report</u>)
- 7. Planning John Dance (Report)
- 8. SLOE (Sustainable Living Ottawa East) Jayson MacLean
- 9. The Corners on Main and Greystone Village Peter Tobin (Report)
- Transportation and Infrastructure Tom Scott

Communications

• Chair and members: Bob Gordon, Kristine Houde

2022-2023 Highlights

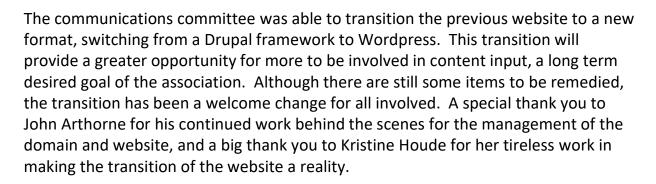
- Transition of website to new design
- · Approval of G-Suite for Non-profits

Health and Safety

· Chair: Courtenay Beauregard

2022-2023 highlights

- New community police liaison for OOE. Presented at Fall meeting.
 - Use 911 for emergencies, and 311 (phone or online) to report incidents or infractions
 - If there are ongoing concerns, Chair can reach out to our liaison for follow-up.
- OOECA letters of support for two projects including senior's guide to OOE services, programs $^{\,\,7}$



In an effort to improve and streamline organization data and communications, we applied and were approved for a non-profit status with Google to use their G-Suite product. This will allow us to have a centralized area for document sharing and collaboration, and provide for individual email accounts specifically dedicated to the association that board members will use. Additionally, email distribution groups can be managed by the respective committee chairs for contacting their interest groups.

The community was allocated a new community police office liaison last fall, Cst. Megan Arbuthnot. The Cst. Represented the area until late spring 2023, until transitioning into other duties. The current liaison is our previous representative Cst.





Stephanie Lemieux.

If there are any community safety concerns, the Chair of the Health and Safety committee or President can reach out to the office to outline those concerns. However, for any incident in the area, the best course of action is to fill out a report online, via the city of Ottawa portal, or by calling 311 for minor incidents or concerns. If you ever feel your safety is in jeopardy, please use the 911 service for immediate assistance.

The Health and Safety committee will be acting the representative to the Senior Watch Old Ottawa South, or SWOOS. Although this is an adjunct of the Old Ottawa South Community Association, their work is relevant to all communities and their initiatives are of benefit to our community, and the association supports their efforts.

FCA - Federation of Citizens' Associations

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• OOECA representative: Ron Rose

• Website: fca-fac.ca

2022-2023 highlights

- Worked to achieve equity in the Community Insurance Partnership Program: success re community rinks
- Efforts to improve the effectiveness of the Committee of Adjustment
- Responding to planning-related proposals and proclamations from the City and the Province
- Dues went up to \$ 40 annually.

- -The Federation of Citizens' Associations (FCA) includes approximately 70 community associations within the City of Ottawa, of which the OOECA is a member.
- -The work of the FCA led to having success with the CIPP, and continues to lead efforts to ensure the City will continuing providing equity in its insurance for all community groups
- Through workshops from the 2022 year, the FCA continued their efforts to improve the effictiveness of the Committee of Adjustments. A letter was sent to the City with recommendations on how to achieve this, with all recommendations being supported by the association
- Although the dues for membership went up to \$40 per year, this is still a bargain for the wealth of knowledge and expertise that the group provides to our association, and all community organizations in the City
- -Robert Brinker remains chair of the FCA

Lansdowne

Chair: Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay, Past-Chair: John Dance

- Council approved Lansdowne 2.0 for \$437.7M in City spending and \$331.3M in new 40-yr debt
 - Project: City builds new arena, rebuilds north side stands, buys new retail space.
 - Private developer builds new 40 storey tower and 2nd tower of at least 25 storeys.
 - 25% of amount of air rights will go to affordable housing
 - Restores city policy, after motion passed (plan originally had 10%)
 - No more green roof on arena
- Aberdeen Square improvements more seating and shade did not happen in 2023 as promised.
- Councillor Menard's motion to fund \$10M for public realm improvements did not pass.
- Motion passed:
 - Negotiate with NCC and Parks Canada to implement "boat up" access to Lansdowne Park, and install a pedestrian cross-walk at Queen Elizabeth Drive and Princess Patricia Way
- OOECA is very grateful to Councillor Menard and his office for their extraordinary work and dedication to try to make Lansdowne Park better.
- OOECA looks forward to results of Auditor General Lansdowne 2.0 agile audit in 2024.

Photo Credit: ©Ross Dance

If you are not already familiar with the dealings of Lansdowne, then this outline will not provide the due justice the amount of work that has been on this file ... and please excuse the slight editorializing that will follow.

The project was approved, even with a proposal that fails financial, planning, environmental, heritage, transportation, green space, consultative, governance and community perspectives. With almost all core councillors voting against the project, the perspective of those who will be majorly affected seem inconsequential. Councillor Menard and his office deserve our utmost appreciation for their extraordinary efforts in their work.

Additionally, the efforts of one individual from our community cannot be understated. I would like to thank Alexandra Gruca-Macaullay for her incredible work. From her initial assessment of the proposal, that brought so much clarity to a convoluted concept designed to confuse all, which was used by so many to understand this debacle. Her advocacy efforts have become well known throughout the City, where she was even providing counsel during the marathon council meeting on the project to various Councillors. Alexandra, you deserve our praise for your efforts and we can all feel better knowing that you are such a smart and passionate

member of our community.

Membership



Chair and members

Suzanne Johnston (Chair), Wendy McRae, Jayson MacLean, Nancy
 McDonald, Isabelle Panier-Brown, Singing Pebble, numerous door-to-door canvassers

2022-2023 highlights

- Membership is \$5 per household and can be purchased at Signing Pebble or online.
- Suzanne retiring as Chair after many years of volunteering in this role.
- Great team of committed Captains and Canvassers over the years, but with the growth
 of our neighbourhood, we are in need of additional support.
- Time commitment is quite minimal, usually 1-3 hours during the months of September and October. Openings for various roles, including:
 - Zone Captains x7, Market Captain, Commercial Captain, Social Media Captain, Outdoor Flyer Captain, Recruitment Captain(s)

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With the continual change and growth in OOE, the membership drive has also grown. However, with our growth, also comes transition.

Although we have a great team of committed Captains and Canvassers', with the growth of our neighbourhood we are in need of additional support. If your street is not being canvassed, please consider being a volunteer. The time commitment is quite minimal, usually 1-3 hours during the months of September and October for each position and involves the following:

The new structure of the Membership Drive is looking for several positions to continue its success:

- 1. Zone Captains (7): (There are currently 4 vacancies)
- 2. Farmer's Market Captain
- 3. Commercial Captain
- 4. Social Media Captain
- 5. Outdoor Flyer Captain
- 6. Recruitment Captain(s)

All volunteers are invited to attend a get together for all the various Captains and Canvassers held by the membership chair the first week of November – Best part!!

The success of the membership has been thanks to so many people

Jayson McLean volunteered to look after the Farmer's Market sign up table and weathered the sometimes unfavorable weather to sign up OOE residents.

Nancy McDonald has been instrumental in looking after the Brantwood Park Neighborhood for several years and Isabelle Panier-Brown led the charge in Archville after Jan d'Arcy's well deserved retirement.

Since the beginning of COVID, Singing Pebble Books have worked with the Membership Committee and supported the OOECA by allowing OOE residents to sign up at the shop. And, the Door-to-door canvassers never get enough thanks for their continued work.

Wendy McRae has been part the committee since it's inception and is instrumental in putting all the kits together and compiling the results – a huge undertaking every year.

And, finally, a big thank you to Suzanne Johnston who has been chair of the committee for more than 8 years, and involved in some capacity for even longer. Thank you for your work in growing the membership, and in helping transition the membership to a more digital front. Although you will be stepping down, I will still be nominating your house for the post canvassing get-together!

Parks and Greenspace



Committee chair and members

· Jamie Brougham (Chair), Rick Burrows, Phyllis Odenbach Sutton, Dianne Caldbick

2022-2023 highlights

- Installed two chairs at Brantwood beach paid for by the Community Association
- Enhancements at Brantwood basketball court, and park maintenance
- · Forecourt Park and Grande Allée

2023-2024 potential projects

- · Accessible dock at Springhurst
- Brantwood basketball court access ramp that could also support future beach volleyball court access
- Deck and storage behind Brantwood field house for CAG canoe storage and rental, community or canteen/bistro space

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Parks and Greenspace Committee Report – Submitted by Jamie Brougham (Email dated OCT 30)

- Installed two chairs at Brantwood beach paid for by the Community Association
- Advocated for and realized through the councillor's office enhancements at Brantwood basketball court, and park maintenance.
- Rick Burrows continues provides resources from his home on Springhurst (People's) Park.
- Generally, the parks are run well and maintained to good standard by the city.
 While there are minor issues concerning on-going maintenance, the
 improvements needed at Brantwood and Springhurst parks require major
 investments that will require community lobbying, advocacy work, and sponsors
 to achieve amenities that will help provide a better quality of life for area
 residents.

Potential projects include:

- An access ramp to the basketball court in Brantwood that may help facilitate other facilities next door such as a beach volleyball court.
- A deck off the back of the field house at Brantwood that would store CAG's (the

- community's) (with) Canoe storage underneath with potential for a community activity space, or a canteen/bistro where neighbours could meet, in a beautiful spot overlooking the Rideau River.
- Springhurst Park is one of the only parks on the urban River corridor that does not have a fieldhouse despite 5 apartment buildings, Greystone next door, and the new Ottawa U residence. Secondly, unlike most parks along the river, the view of the river from Springhurst is blocked by primarily poor-quality vegetation and an unkept shoreline. Both these issues should be addressed.
- On a positive note, because of Community Association's advocacy, with help from the councillor's office, we expect the city to install an accessible dock at Springhurst, next summer.
- Forecourt Park and Grand Allée- While the Grand Allée is anticipated to be finished this year, or if they run out of time before winter, early spring, the city is cutting corners sighting budget concerns. While they use the term 'uplift' for the new revenues that would be recognized from high-rises at Lansdowne to enhance amenities, this same logic will not be applied to the Forecourt Park. It is important that the community, particularly those from Greystone and Corners on Main, advocate for amenities in this park. This will be the lawn and garden for the thousands who live in this area and the city and developer should work to ensure it has social resources that match the local lifestyle this expensive, dense housing deserves.
- If people are interested helping the Parks and Greenspace Committee to achieve its goals or have other Parks and Greenspace projects they'd like to see worked on, contact Jamie Brougham through the OOECA website.

Planning



Committee chair and members

• John Dance (Chair), Paul Goodkey, Ron Rose, Phyllis Odenbach Sutton, Dianne Caldbick, Joseph Sleiman, Courtenay Beauregard, Georgia Blondon, Bob Gordon (Ex Officio)

2022-2023 highlights

- Minor variances 7 requests to Committee of Adjustment (CofA), generally dismissed:
 - 23 Belgrave, 435 Echo, 123 Havelock/70 Harvey, 60 Lees, 87 Concord N, 248 Main, 49 Mason
- Large Developments (# of units):
 - 15 des Oblats (284), GV Phase 3 (271), 18 Hawthorne (57), apartments (many in north end)
- City Official Plan Policy, Zoning By-law (ZBL) Regulations

Planning concerns

- Reduced tree canopy, lack of affordable housing, maintaining neighbourhood character

SLOE - Sustainable Living Ottawa East

• Chair: Jayson MacLean, Sustainable Living Ottawa East | Facebook



2022-2023 highlights

- 3 sub-committees and many self-sustaining groups of volunteers:
 - Sub committees: 1) Trees, 2) Climate Action, 3) Rideau River and Shoreline
 - Invasive Species Weeding Group, Rideau River Turtle Group, OOE Community Gardens.
- SLOE is main contact for CAFES (Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability), an umbrella group for environmental issues across Ottawa.
- Projects, events, and awareness in conjunction with environment groups from other communities, including Glebe, Old Ottawa South, and Sandy Hill.
- OOE Invasive Species Weeding Group account of activities for 2023 (Early May to OCT. 29th):
 - Volunteers worked 22 Sundays, collected 119 garbage bags of garlic mustard, dog strangling vine and burdock along Rideau River, Greystone Village, Springhurst and Brantwood Park, Echo Drive, Canal.

SLOE - Year-end report 2023

- Sustainable Living Ottawa East, or SLOE, is the Environment Committee of the OOECA, which currently has three main sub-committees, dealing with: (1) Trees (2) Climate Action and (3) Rideau River and Shoreline. As well, there are many ongoing and self-sustaining groups affiliated with SLOE, including the Invasive Species Weeding Group, the Rideau River Turtle Group and the OOE Community Gardens.
- SLOE is the OOECA's main contact with CAFES (Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability), an umbrella group for environmental issues across Ottawa. In addition to ad hoc initiatives, CAFES has standing committees on trees and climate.
- SLOE regularly works on projects and events in conjunction with environment groups from neighbouring communities such as the Glebe, Old Ottawa South and Sandy Hill.
- OOE's Invasive Species Weeding Group prepared the following account of its activities for 2023:
 - We officially finished our invasive weeding for this year on October 29 (with the first hint of snow). While the number of volunteers varied from week to week, we had a regular group of 6-10 people who

- worked on 22 Sundays from May to October.
- We started the season tackling garlic mustard, then moved on to dog strangling vine and finished the season with burdock. We worked along the Rideau River edge through Springhurst Park, Greystone Village and Brantwood Park as well as tackling dog strangling vine this year along Echo Drive and the canal.
- Our official tally is as follows:
 - · 18 black garbage bags of primarily garlic mustard
 - 32 black garbage bags of primarily dog strangling vine
 - 69 black garbage bags of primarily burdock
 - Grand total: 119 bags

The Corners on Main and Greystone Village

(Chair: Peter Tobin)



2022-2023 highlights

- · Convent 15-17 des Oblats:
 - Following City Council approval of Forum/SLP plan to re-purpose convent site, Adriana Beaman, TCOM resident, filed an appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal.
 - Late October in-person meeting was more conciliatory, with Forum agreeing to try to mitigate many negative aspects of the plan and be a good community neighbour. Appeal to the OLT may be withdrawn based on positive nature of these discussions,
 - Earlier site plan would remove red maple at Convent property southwest corner. Push from the Councillor's office to City for updated landscape plan to retain the tree.
- · Work on J:Fuse restaurant has picked up recently.
- 2 new enterprises at Corners and Milieu took sponsorship roles: Ears on Main for OOE Art Walk, and Edward Jones for Centretown Churches' Walkathon for the Food Centre.

- Following City Council's approval of Forum/SLP's plan to re-purpose the convent site at 15-17 des Oblats, TCOM resident Adriana Beaman decided to file an appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal. This involved hours of research on Adriana's part and difficult, argumentative meetings with representatives of the City and of the Owner Forum/SLP. A late October inperson meeting however took a more conciliatory tone and Forum agreed to do its best to mitigate a number of negative aspects of the plan and stated its intent to be a good neighbour to the community. Based on the positive nature of the discussions, is likely that the appeal to the OLT will be withdrawn.
- An earlier site plan indicated the red maple at the southwest corner of the Convent property was to be removed. With a push from the Councillor's office, the City has requested an updated landscape plan to retain the tree.
- The work on the J:Fuse restaurant has picked up recently, as we continue to see more businesses fill in the available space in the Greystone development
- Two of the new enterprises at Corners and Milieu took on sponsorship roles. Ears on Main was a sponsor for the OOE Art Walk and the Edward Jones office sponsored the Centretown Churches' Walkathon for the Food Centre.

Transportation and Infrastructure



Committee members

 Tom Scott (Chair), Bob Gordon, Jayson MacLean, Paul Goodkey, Phyllis Odenbach Sutton, Barbara Greenberg, Kristine Houde

2022-2023 highlights

- Outreach to MTO for Downtown bridges environmental assessment (see MTO response)
- Community liaison for Greenfield-Main-Hawthorne (GMH) reconstruction, now in Phase 2.
- · Contributing to Lansdowne 2.0 efforts, with specific focus on Traffic Management
- Input on Infrastructure Master Plan Update process pursuant to new Official Plan.

2023-2024 upcoming

- · Ongoing liaison with City GMH project team and contractors
- · Support campaigns by OPS and OPP to reduce vehicular noise, stunt/dangerous driving
- Raise concerns to MTO: sound barriers at 417/Nicholas, hazards on MTO and City property

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Transportation and Infrastructure

- 1. We have had no response from MTO to our several inquiries with respect to the Downtown Bridges Environmental Assessment and Transportation Environmental Study Report, and now there is a new Minister for Transportation in Queen's Park. Our objections to a lack of transparency in the process and a lack of community consultation and engagement for the TESR phase fall on deaf ears.
- 2. We are still working with our MPP's office to try and mount a petition campaign to have MTO reconsidered its construction options, and find one that does not require both Colonel By Drive (CBD) and Queen Elizabeth Driveway to be closed for ninety, that's 90, weeks.
- 3. Greenfield-Main-Hawthorne Reconstruction Project is about half-way through Phase Two (2023) continues with major digging and water main replacement along Hawthorne, at the eastern end of Greenfield at the King Edward intersection, all along Old Greenfield, at the corner of Main and Harvey near the Queensway underpass, and on Echo from Concord N to Immaculata. Phase One, which took place from 2021 to 2022 included work along Echo and a new fully-controlled intersection at Main and CBD. Updates and the schedule for the various phases of the project over the

- next three years can be seen at the City's GMH project web pages, which can be accessed from the associations website. The City reports that labour disruptions may cause the planned burial of overhead wires to be delayed.
- 4. We have now twice raised the concern about the intersection at McGillivray and McNaughton having become problematic for cross-cutting traffic. Neighbours in this area see attempts by drivers to avoid traffic on Main and reach Colonel By Drive to head northbound. Cut-throughs right to Colonel By Drive continue since this intersection remains unblocked beyond the high school. There has still yet to be a response from the Councillor's office.
- 5. We continue to track the outcomes of a virtual workshop on May 24, 2023 Lansdowne 2.0 Lessons Learned Traffic Management, in support of Alexandra's work.
- 6. We have provided input to the Infrastructure Master Plan Update process, pursuant to the new Official Plan. Copies of that responses and our report from 2022 are included.
- 7. Files for work this coming season include:
 - Ongoing liaison with the City's GMH project team and their contractors
 - Encouraging campaigns by Ottawa Police Service and Ontario
 Provincial Police to reduce vehicular noise and stunt/dangerous driving
 along residential neighbourhood roadways, including the access ramps
 to the Queensway
 - Continued requests to MTO for establishing proper sound barriers to protect residential areas on the north and south sides of the Queensway-Nicholas intersection
 - Concerns about stolen property, drug use and fire hazards on MTO and City property adjacent to the Queensway and the LRT rights-of-way.

Item	Income (\$)	Expenses (\$)	Totals (\$)
OOECA account as of 13 October 2022			18,970.29
Memberships sold	3,006.55		
SHCHC Main Event donation	300.00		
FCA membership		35.00	
CAFES membership		100.00	
Directors' and Officers' insurance (for 2024)		648.00	
Rideau Winter Trail donation		300.00	
Entrance garden water cost		40.00	
Chairs for Brantwood Park		418.08	
Support for events (SLOE, Nov. 11, Lansdowne)		554.58	
Totals (as of 11 October 2023)	3,306.55	2,095.66	

There are two sub-accounts included in the OOECA account, where the OOECA takes care of banking for subgroups or committees within the Association.

- The Lees Avenue Community Garden started the year with \$427.25 in their account. A deposit of \$575 brought their total up to \$1002.25.
- Sustainable Living Ottawa East (SLOE) started with \$2556.37 and spent \$498.57 on their tree-planting initiative. Their current total is \$2057.80

Old Ottawa East Community Association – 2022/23 – Figures as of 11 October 2023

- 1. For the OOECA in 2022/23, there was an income of \$3006.55 from the sale of OOECA memberships.
- 2. There was no Main Event this year and thus no additional income.
 - OOECA did receive \$300 from SHCHC for the Main Event support – we are discussing whether this should be returned as of October 2023.
- OOECA made contributions to the Rideau
 Winter Trail and supported events such as
 the November 11 ceremonies at the
 Brantwood Gate, the SLOE tree planting
 effort, and a meeting about Lansdowne 2.1.
- 4. We have memberships in two organizations: FCA and CAFES.
- 5. We paid for the installation of two Muskoka chairs which look over the Rideau River at Brantwood Park.

Please note, all OOECA banking takes place at the TD-Canada Trust branch at Pretoria Bridge.

Although these are not referenced, there are additional expenses for services that are not incurred by the association, but are instead provided

at no cost. These include the fees associated with the use of the space at Old Town Hall for monthly meetings, and the use of digital technologies for hybrid meetings. It is important to appreciate that the association does receive additional costed services that are not outlined in the expense report when we consider the monies collected from our membership drive, and moving forward with the decisions on our annual fees.

6. Board elections - Current board

- President: Bob Gordon
- Vice-President: Catherine Pacella
- Past-president: Phyllis Odenbach Sutton
- Secretary: Kristine Houde
- Treasurer: Don Fugler
- Planning: John Dance
- Transportation: Tom Scott
- Membership: Suzanne Johnston

- TCOM/Greystone/Lees: Peter Tobin
- SLOE: Jayson MacLean
- FCA: Ron Rose
- Landsdowne: Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay
- Health & safety: Courtenay Beauregard
- Parks & Green Space: Jamie Brougham
- Communications
- At large: Georgia Blondon

- The OOECA board is made up of Directors which include president, pastpresident, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, chairs of the respective standing committees, and members-at-large, with a minimum of 9 people required to form the board, who serve a two year term upon election
- A general election is held every other year, with the last election taking place in 2021, with the current board members completing their final year of their 2 year term
- This end of this term will see a few board members leave their respective positions.
 - I first want to thank John Dance for taking on the chair of the planning committee, which was done as a favour to me. The role can come with some difficult moments and I want to acknowledge the great work John contributed to the role, and his continued efforts for the community. To say John does a lot for the community is an understatement, and I appreciate the advice and mentorship he has provided. We are fortunate to have him as a neighbour.
 - Next, I would like to thank Kristine Houde. With little to no guidance from me, she was able to navigate the sometimes unnecessarily complex tech world, while also managing the secretary duties at the

same time. Her organization and timeliness provide me with the opportunity to participate in other community activities while knowing that the work for the monthly meetings was secure in coming to fruition. Thank you for your hard work. We will miss you on the board.

6. Board elections - New board

- President: Bob Gordon
- Vice-President: Catherine Pacella
- Past-president: Phyllis Odenbach Sutton
- Secretary: Vacant
- Treasurer: Don Fugler
- Planning: Vacant
- Transportation: Tom Scott
- Membership: Jayson MacLean

- TCOM/Greystone/Lees: Peter Tobin
- SLOE: Michal Samborski
- FCA: Ron Rose
- Landsdowne: Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay
- Health & safety: Georgia Blondon
- Parks & Green Space: Vacant
- Communications: Vacant
- At large: John Dance, Suzanne Johnston, Gregg Whetton

- At present time, we have vacancies in the secretary position, as well the respective chairs of the planning, parks and greenspace, and communications committees. Although these committees have representatives, there are no chairs to represent the association. The committees will continue in their state with the ex-oficio acting as the representative until a chair is added.
- If you are interested in joining the board, the role of member-at-large is a great introduction to get acquainted with the functions within the board, with the prospect to take a role in one of the standing positions
- Also we would be interested in getting representation from the Brantwood Park area if possible
- As is the procedure as laid out by our Constitution, at this time I am asking if there are any nominations from the floor, either in-person or virtual. Please raise your hand to nominate.
- Depending on response to this request, ask for motion to approve board + possibly some other nominees
- If no nominees from the floor, ask people to consider volunteering & to contact the CA after the meeting to get more information or to put forward their name

- If you are interested in becoming more active with the community association, you can always join a committee without being a board member. Doing so is a great opportunity to focus on items that are of particular interest.
- At this time, I will call for a motion to approve the board as presented
- Make call

In favour

Opposed

Abstention

• The board is now approved. Let us provide a welcome to our 2023-2025 Old Ottawa East Community Association Board.

7. Open forum

- · Mainstreeter Call for Volunteers
 - Seeking Treasurer, Accounts Manager, Advertising Manager, Board Members.
 - Position descriptions for the above roles, and details on how to join and participate in the February 20th AGM will be listed in next 2 Mainstreeter issues, and on the website.
 - If interested, apply to admin@mainstreeter.ca. Visit Mainstreeter.ca for more info.

8. Adjournment