

CCCA Trees & Greenspace Meeting Notes, January 12, 2016

Room to be Determined, Centretown Community Health Centre,
420 Cooper St, Ottawa

Tom Whillans	Richard Eveleigh	Daphne McCree	Gail Mcguire
Helen Campbell	Mitch Vandeborn	Stephen Thirwall	Brian Beaven
Michelle Kirkman	Bonnie Mabee		

Discussions & Decisions

1. Update from the Board – Update from the Board from Mitch

Vandeborn following the Dec 15, 2015 meeting.

2. Trees and Greenspace Mandate Review

Amended Terms of Reference to be passed at the Board are as follows:

“The Trees and Greenspace Committee is a standing committee of the Board of the Centretown Citizens Community Association (CCCA).

The Committee will support the ongoing efforts of the CCCA to create a lush and green Centretown that all community members are able to benefit from and enjoy, and will provide advice and expertise to the Board as required. The Committee will engage in environmental issues of importance to the community on behalf of the CCCA.

The Trees and Greenspace Committee will:

1. Develop and implement plans for tree planting, gardening and greenspace improvement and maintenance projects in Centretown:
2. Develop and implement plans for ways to engage Centretown residents in activities promoting the community’s greenspace environment and enhancing the livability of our homes and community:

3. Address, discuss and organize the community on the pressing environmental issues with the interest of promoting a sustainable Centretown:
 4. Liaise with the City of Ottawa and community groups to advance the objectives of the committee:
 5. Participate in and organise meetings and events that advance the objectives of the committee, as decided by the committee; and
 6. Work to recruit Centretown residents that share an interest in developing a sustainable, lush and green environment in Centretown.

3. Planning Committee Update: 151 Bay Street, - Discussions about the merits of greening... hard and soft landscaping. More information is needed.

4. 330 Gilmour Street – Discussion on planting schedule. The committee would encourage the inclusion of native species and edible plants, in addition to keeping a diverse and established plant community.

5. 176 Nepean – Greenspace Community Garden, Details to follow, initial presentation by Tom and summary of available details.

6. Planters on Nepean – Adjacent to proposed community garden, Should be able to provide water through the comm. Garden.

7. Toilets in Dundonald Letter – Letter to Present Next meeting

8. Winter Event – Brainstorming ideas... Greenhouse, rooftop gardens, workshop
9. Janes Walk – Thoughts & Ideas.

Events

Dec 2 to May 7, 2016 – Maples: A Canadian Symbol. Nature Museum.