

CENTRETOWN CITIZENS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting – Minutes
Tuesday, 19 May, 2015
7 – 9 pm, Ottawa City Hall, Councillor’s Lounge

Attendance

Board: Maria Luisa Marti, Mitchell Kutney, Adam Harris, Graham Pressey, Paul Mennier, Tim Abray, Michael Daudlin, Charles Akben-Marchand, T. Whillans

Others: Alice Nakanishi, Joan Spice, Catherine McKenney, Bonnie Mabee, Silviu Riley, Nick LePan, Peter Gillian, Darrin Cohen, J.R. Davis, Judy Bernstein

Regrets: Thomas McVeigh, Patricia Marsden-Dole, Judy Forrest

Call to Order, Welcome and Board Member Regrets

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion 1

That the Board approves this draft agenda.

Moved: A. Harris

Seconded: C. Akben-Marchand

Carried

Business Arising

Announcements

1.1 Call for announcements

No announcements.

Somerset Ward Councillor’s Report (C. McKenney)

Councillor McKenney reports that the proposed Memorial to the Victims of Communism will be an issue at the next Council meeting. The OMB decision will be appealed by the City solicitor. They will meet with Judy Forrest in the coming days. The Councillor is looking for comments on the Local Commercial Study and Infill 2. The Councillor went on a bike ride with the several citizens, and the executive director of EcoDistrict to look at bicycle infrastructure and examine some potential low-cost measures that the city can take. She reminds the Association that the Minto Park Sale is June 13, 2015.

Executive and Committee Reports

1.2 President

R. Dekker has tendered his position at the CCCA as he will be moving to Toronto.

Motion 2

WHEREAS Robert Dekker has accepted a position in Toronto, and will be moving there, the Board of the Centretown Citizens Community Association

RESOLVES THAT

The CCCA accepts the resignation of R. Dekker as Board Member and as Vice President, effective immediately.

Moved: T. Whillans

Seconded: T. Abray

Carried

1.3 Corporate Secretary

Approval of minutes deferred to the June board meeting.

1.4 Membership Secretary

M.L. Marti reports that the CCCA has a total of 94 members. She will continue to work with the Executive Committee and the Communications and Membership Committee to create better membership engagement guidelines.

Motion 3

Be it resolved that the Communications Committee and the Membership Committee shall be merged as the Communications and Membership Committee, with their respective committee chairs as co-chairs.

Moved: M. Kutney

Seconded: T. Abray

Carried

1.5 Treasurer

Motion 4

Be it resolved that the CCCA authorizes expenses up to \$400 for the Minto Park Barbecue, to be paid for out of the General Fund.

Moved: T. Whillans

Seconded: C. Akben-Marchand

Carried

Motion 5

Be it resolved that the CCCA authorizes the donation of 50% of the net proceeds of the Barbecue.

Motion deferred

1.6 Executive Committee

P. Mennier reported on the executive committee meeting. The position of Vice President and Chair of the Executive Committee is open.

1.7 Heritage Committee

Written report.

1.8 Seniors Committee

Written report.

1.9 Planning Committee

The committee submitted a written report.

The Committee has prepared letters to the City Planning Committee regarding 180 Metcalfe Street, and 68 Cooper Street.

The Committee discussed the OMB appeal results and the effects the decision would be on maximum height, and the effects of decision on the city's heritage. The Committee reports that the Urban Caucus is largely alongside the Association. At the next board meeting, the Committee will recommend a position to the Association regarding the appeal. The Committee will continue to study the Infill 2 issue.

A. Harris reports that the Association received the written decision from the Chair of the Ontario Municipal Board, and a report from the City Solicitor summarizing and interpreting the report. While some interpret the decision positively, and some negatively, the City decided to appeal certain items of the decision. A. Harris and J. Forrest will meet with Councillor McKenney and staff next week to discuss the appeal. Discussion follows.

1.10 Transportation Committee

Written report.

1.11 Communications and Promotion Committee

M. Kutney and M.L. Marti reported that the Committee discussed membership recruitment and engagement issues, and reported on the state of the website re-design project.

1.12 Trees and Greenspace Committee

Ecology Ottawa will donate \$100 toward the film night. As well, the Committee received other donations of \$145 during the event. The Committee plans to host similar events going forward. The committee reports that the official in charge of St. Michaels Park Public Art project has left.

Motion 6

That the Board approves spending up to \$250.00 from the Trees and Greenspace Fund to cover expenses for the Minto Park Plant Sale.

Moved: T. Whillans
Seconded: M. Daudlin
Carried

Other Reports and Business

Motion 7

That the CCCA sends a letter to Councillor McKenney in support of Margo Boire.

Moved: T. Whillans
Seconded: A. Harris
Carried

Adjournment

Moved: T. Whillans
Seconded: M. Daudlin
Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:47pm.

Next board Meeting

Tuesday, June 16, 2015, 7pm – 9pm,
Honeywell Room, City Hall