Meeting of the Old Ottawa East Community Association Board

Tuesday, May 14, 2013

Old Town Hall, 61 Main Street

Attendees Devin O'Grady

Board Members: regrets:

John Dance Barbara Hicks
Jaime Girard Catherine Pacella
Don Fugler John Baglow

Jill Wherrett

Nick Masciantonio others present:
Stephen Pope Natalie Fletcher
Ron Rose Bonnie Weppler
Vicki Davis Lyse Morisset
Bill Baldwin Paul Goodkey
Gabrielle Schaeffer Chris Osler
Jim Strang Carol Workun

1. Call to order at 7:15 p.m.

2. Approval of agenda

- As amended (removal of item on Main Event BBQ)
- Moved Don Fugler; 2nd Stephen Pope. Carried

3. Approval of April 9, 2013 Meeting Minutes

- Moved - Gaby Schaeffer, 2nd - Jim Strang. Carried.

4. Chair's Report - John Dance

The Chair reported on:

- Public open house on Main St. and McIlraith Bridge reconstruction to be held on June 17 at St.
 Paul University.
- OOECA continues to do extensive work on undergrounding of hydro wires.
- Support of Ecology Ottawa Complete Streets Initiative
- OOECA Mainstreeter column
- City consultation on community design plans
- Farmer's Market to stay at St. Paul U location
- Lansdowne construction no complaints regarding night-time construction noise affecting OOE
- awaiting information from city regarding consultations on Rideau River Nature Trail/Western Pathway
- Loblaws Isabella planned expansion
- expressed opposition to digital sign facing canal at recent NCC public meeting

5. Treasurer's Report - Don Fugler

- Little activity in OOECA account

6. Incorporation Update - Jaime Girard

Almost ready to submit paperwork for incorporation of OOECA
 Motion: That the OOECA Board approve the expenditure of \$155 to apply for incorporation of the Association. Moved - Stephen Pope, 2nd - Bill Baldwin. Carried

7. Cash-in-Lieu of Parkland - John Dance

- John outlined items on OOECA's notional list, and asked for input on priorities and gaps.
- Chris Osler from the Sandy Hill Community Health Centre spoke to a shortfall of \$18K in funding for the Springhurst Park project. Discussion followed on whether this should be identified as a priority for CILP funds. Support was expressed for the project to move ahead quickly and not be scaled back, but concerns and opposition were raised regarding the city's request for SHCHC to cover all of the additional costs of this cost-shared project

Motion: That the OOECA request that \$18,000 in CILP funds be allocated to the Springhurst Park project and that OOECA and CAG write a joint letter to the city to make this request and to express concerns with the requirement that the SHCHC cover all of the additional costs. Moved - Don Fugler, 2nd - Stephen Pope. Carried

8. Main Farmer's Market Bulletin Board - John Dance

- It was agreed that the Board would not have a bulletin board at the Farmer's Market this year; however, it was suggested that (when completed) a pamphlet about the OOECA could be provided at the information table, and that the bulletin board could be used for special events.

9. Councillor's Report - David Chernushenko

- The Councillor reported that he has had further discussions with city staff regarding the land behind Old Town Hall, and meetings with the mayor's staff regarding undergrounding of the Main St. hydro wires.

10. Committee Reports

10.1 Planning - Stephen Pope

nothing to report

10.2 SLOE - Vicki Davis

- Rideau River Nature Trail/Brantwood Park and Springhurst Park spring clean-ups took place on May 11.
- Children's Garden and Lees Community Garden have new boxes for raised beds
- Working with city to identify "sitting" rocks for Brantwood Park.

10. 3 Transportation - Ron Rose

- nothing to report

10.4 CCC - Gaby Shaeffer

- No recent meetings.
- John agreed to look into possibility of using Old Town Hall for a future CCC meeting.

10.5 FCA - Jim Strang

- Jim reported on the April 24 FCA meeting. Issues discussed included:
- FCA input into Official Plan review;

- lack of city response to failure of small contractors to comply with safe practices regarding hazardous materials when demolishing homes for infill projects;
- Emerald Ash Borer
- inadequacies of City's consultation on consultation;
- FCA seeking volunteers with planning experience for ad hoc committee on all matters related to planning.

10.6 - Communications - Catherine Pacella

- no report (Catherine absent)

10. 7 Community Safety - Jaime Girard

- nothing to report

11. Community Activities Group - Natalie Fletcher

- Main Event to take place on June 15
- CAG has set some new long-term priorities
- looking for youth volunteers

12. New Business

John noted that the Mainstreeter is looking for a new editor

13. Date of Next Meeting - June 11, 2013

14. Adjournment@ 8:45 p.m.

- Moved - Jim Strang; 2nd - Stephen Pope