



Draft Minutes - CCA Annual Meeting – Wednesday May 25/16

1. **Approval of Agenda** It was moved by David Darwin, seconded by Saralyn Hodgkin that the agenda be approved. Denise Harper moved, seconded by Jocelyn D'Aoust that the tabling of the motion on the Carlington Hill proposal be delayed until after the discussion on this proposal. There were 29 in favour and 47 opposed. The motion was defeated. The agenda was adopted as circulated.
2. **Approval of Minutes – 2015 Annual meeting.** It was moved by Rick Lane, seconded by Jeanne Burgess that the 2015 CCA Annual General Meeting minutes be approved as presented. Carried.
3. **Motion re Phase 1 of the proposed Carlington Hill Bike Park**

Cameron Ketchum introduced the motion regarding Phase 1 of the proposed bike park at Carlington Hill. *That the Carlington Community Association (CCA) **approve**, in principal, Phase 1 of the Carlington Hill Bike Park proposal, with the following conditions:*

- *that no further phases of the bike park be implemented without approval by Carlington residents, through the CCA;*
- *that the CCA and Carlington residents, through a dedicated working group, are consulted on Phase 1 design and construction details and have opportunities to inform further planning;*
- *that any bike park facilities be accessible by residents of all ages and be free of charge;*
- *that Carlington residents be involved in construction and maintenance of the facilities;*
- *that appropriate environmental and conservation experts are consulted;*
- *that concerns expressed by Carlington residents are noted and considered carefully as planning and implementation of Phase 1 progress.*

Susan Pfister moved this motion and it was seconded by Glen Murray. The use of a secret ballot was approved by the meeting by a show of hands. Voting occurred throughout the meeting by secret ballot accordingly.

Members asked whether the Association can afford to do the environmental assessments that have been mentioned in association with the proposal. (This matter was later addressed in the meeting.) Cameron requested cooperation from the meeting in getting the motion dealt with. He stated that flexibility was needed to accept the approach being taken but said that this process was needed to allow the maximum number of people to be heard from.



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4. Board Report: Cameron reported on behalf of the board on the year's activities. He mentioned expanded membership, new branding, a survey and mapping of local businesses (including home based), sponsorships for the printed newsletter and events, maintaining Alexander Park and the triangle, our monthly newsletter, E-blasts and improved website, and events such as Family Fun Day, Carlington Cup, mini shinny and the Yard and Plant sale.

Priorities for 2016-17 include Website overhaul, By –Law review, Fundraising, Community engagement on major projects (Sens Rink, Alexander CC programming and revitalization, Westgate Mall, complete streets), Volunteer recruitment and support of special projects, Links with underrepresented neighbourhoods and agencies (Caldwell, Raven Park, Shillington South, Alexander CA) and Strategy 2020!.

Robert Crout reported that funding is in place for the Veterans' Memorial Bench with installation by 2017.

Robert Brinker highlighted the many development projects that he has worked on for the CCA with the city: Embassy West expansion, Westgate redevelopment, CCHC expansion, Complete streets proposal for Merivale, Shillington improvements, the Civic hospital move and several other variance applications.

5. Linda Dodd, Treasurer, reported that there was an opening balance for the year of \$6,165.62, revenues of \$4,415.01, disbursements of \$4,814.84 and a closing balance of \$5,765.74.

6. Election of officers: Wendy Vasbinder introduced the election process and Article 8 of the bylaws. Ted Radstake presented the report of the nominations committee. Cameron Ketchum was the sole nominee for president. Wendy called three times for nominations from the floor for President. No additional names came forward and Cameron thanked members for their support.

Wendy called for nominations to the Board. The nominations committee presented the names of Charity Bartlett, Robert Brinker, Nelson Coyle, Robert Crout, Linda Dodd, Anna Du Vent and Cathy Younger-Lewis. Anna Du Vent was added by the committee to the candidates for director posted on the web site. Wendy asked for additional nominations and Wendy Tucker, Brenda Emerson, Denise Harper and David Hoey were nominated from the floor.

Candidates presented a brief introduction. Voting commenced.

7. Riley Brockington – The Councillor presented his report. He mentioned the Westgate redevelopment, the Carlington Health Centre project, the resulting relocation of the garden plots, traffic calming, red light camera at Coldrey and Kirkwood, slowdown signs available from his office, Rink of Dreams project, business outreach including the Taste of Carlington on



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November 1, evaluating the use of the Alexander Community Centre, Merivale Road (complete street and OC Transpo proposals), transit speedup on Baseline and the OMBA proposal for the Carlington hill. He stated that this latter proposal needs to go through the appropriate committee process at City Hall to get a full and timely discussion.

Wendy Tucker said that the area west of Kirkwood is not getting the information on the park proposal or on many other issues. Riley promised to look into this. She said that the city does not clean the Carlington hill – neighbours do. There is frequent dumping happening in the area. She said that the trails were not made for mountain bikes. Another resident asked about dust and the mix of bikes and pedestrians. Kevin Jones from City of Ottawa recreation staff said that there has not been an issue with the OMBA facility in Kanata – it is very popular.

OMBA said that there are clear rules and protocols regarding the operation of the jump track and all their trails.

Robert Crout asked about the expansion of the CCHC and noted that City Living is involved with the administration. He wondered if this was a good choice in terms of operations. Green space is important for seniors and has been cut back. What is the long term use of this facility? Riley said that OCH would respond. Grace said that a group took over a park and then sold that right to a private company. Riley said that an agreement would be needed to prevent any such occurrence.

Where would water come from to spray the track? They said that canisters can be used to store water to keep dust down. Eventually, it was hoped that services could be available.

It was noted that sex trade workers are seen at times in the area. Cameron and Kevin responded that this would be a city park and standards would be maintained.

Parking was discussed and some said that it will be an issue. There is some parking at the community centre and many will ride their bikes to the park. However, it was agreed that this would require some study. Washroom facilities are located in the community centre.

Susan congratulated the meeting on a good discussion and on the positive nature of the bike park for the community. She thanked the OMBA for their efforts.

Denise Harper asked about an environmental assessment. She also asked if OMBA would be willing to come to different parks with portable jumps etc. as was done at the Fun Day.



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Kevin said that there would be an environmental assessment if required for the full proposal and the CCA would not have to pay for this. OMBA agreed that they might have to fund raise for a study.

A resident said that a 30 metre margin has to be maintained between a project and an environmentally protected area. OMBA said that they would be flexible. Kevin said that there is a leisure zone and an environmentally protected, forested slope area. Currently, there is no need for an environmental assessment in the leisure area for Phase I. Kevin said that the OMBA is flexible as to the location of the pump track which does not require a lot of land so it might be feasible to locate it quite close to the community centre.

Wendy Tucker said that Councillor Chernushenko had passed a motion at Council today endorsing a green Ottawa.

Eric Betteridge said that he had an opportunity to go on a pump track in Vermont. A lot of kids and adults were there on a variety of bikes. People can ride their bikes to it and will do the same in Ottawa.

A resident who faces the park said that the more people there are around the park, the less damage there will be.

A resident said that there may be a negative image to bikers but she encouraged people to look at the OMBA web site. Volunteers are doing lots of amazing things.

OMBA asked members to please feel free to talk afterwards or to contact the OMBA. There will be a next step at the Parks and Rec Committee.

8. Voting Results - The vote count on the park was announced: 87 in favour and 37 opposed. The motion carried. Cameron thanked members for their input and noted that the vote closely mirrored the results of the survey done earlier.

Wendy Vasbinder gave the results of the election. There were 86 ballots cast. Cameron Ketchum was elected as president.

Elected to the board were: Charity Bartlett, Robert Brinker, Nelson Coyle, Robert Crout, Linda Dodd, Anna Du Vent, Cathy Younger-Lewis and David Hoey.

Wendy Vasbinder moved, seconded by Eric Betteridge that the ballots be destroyed. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at the call of the chair at 9:20 pm.