

Draft Minutes - CCA Board Meeting - Wednesday August 16th 2017

Present: Charity Bartlett, Robert Brinker, Nelson Coyle, Bhavik Mistry, Cathy Younger-Lewis. Guest – Marilyn Matheson, Caldwell Family Centre. Regrets - David Hoey

- **1**. **Approval of Agenda**: It was moved by Robert, seconded by Cathy, that the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.
- 2. Proposal for a Hub for the Caldwell Family Centre and related agencies: Marilyn Matheson presented a proposal from the Caldwell Family Centre regarding acquiring the land next to the Carlington Rec Centre for a new hub facility to replace the existing family centre structures including the food bank and to bring in community agencies. The board agreed to discuss this proposal and get back to her regarding our position on this request. It was suggested that we request a tour of the existing facilities including the Bellevue Community Centre. It was recommended to them that they undertake a public consultation even if they do not have an agreement re access to the land.
- **3. Approval of Minutes –** The minutes of the June 7th board meeting were accepted as circulated on a motion by Charity, seconded by Robert. Carried.
- **4 President's Report** Councillor Riley Brockington is looking for a sponsorship of a fireworks display on New Year's Eve. Members postponed a decision on this issue pending further discussion. He is hosting a Safety Night again on October 4th at 6:30.

Charity suggested and it was agreed that we try to meet with Catherine McKenna as a board in the evening. Charity, Robert and Bhavik will meet with Yasir Naqvi at his office or for coffee.

There will be a CDP presentation at the September 13 Board meeting which will start at 6:30. The other members of the development committee will be invited to join this meeting. There will be an Open House on the Community Development Plan on September 21 at 6:30 in the Alexander Community Centre (note: later delayed). The city is seeking help from the CCA to promote a Business Improvement Association for Merivale.

September 20^{th} is the CCA general meeting – Cam MacLeod has agreed to speak re the CCHC development (note - subsequently his presentation was postponed to allow more time for CCA issues at the meeting).

Linda Dodd is organizing a Dec 1 potluck 6:30 to 8:30 and we will invite the politicians. Business cards prepared by Robert were circulated.

Charity asked Bhavik for help with the membership form (WooFu) and associated PayPal revenues.



5. Development Update – It appears that the development of Westgate has been delayed. Monkey Joe's signed for a five-year lease and no site plan has been applied for. Travelodge is under review and we are waiting on their response to community input. It is not easy to communicate with the city planning department at times. A couple of properties will be rezoned along Merivale to bring them into line with the CDP for Merivale.

Re Transportation - Merivale Road will get the bus lane (paint but no sidewalks). Shillington is being resurfaced with a bike lane going east

6. Greening Committee/Newsletter – David and Linda Darwin have done a great job maintaining the Merivale Triangle. We thanked Cathy who has maintained the planters at the Alexander CC. Harrold Place Park potty is doing well and funding is needed for another year. Alexander Adopt-a-park fall clean-up is coming in September. The Gowling school connection has been great.

The Newsletter is starting September 1. Bhavik will assist in automating it. There will be an Eblast re the Vets bench memorial service August 26. Cathy to send password for Mail Chimp to Bhavik.

- **7. Finance and Treasury Update** Members discussed the proposal from David regarding reserve spending. Nelson felt that a larger reserve should be contemplated because of potential legal costs. The formula for community funding could be simplified. It was agreed to delay a decision until the September board meeting.
- **8. Communications/Website** Bhavik met with Chris Taggart regarding proposed changes to the website. He presented a communications plan to the board regarding our website and associated automation of our various communications tools.

It was moved by Nelson, seconded by Cathy that the CCA request a Terms of Service from Textperts and Bhavik Mistry to take over the web site and allow this company to advertise its services (details to be included in terms of service), and that a proposed new website be presented to the September general meeting. Carried.

- **9. Alexander Healthful Food Working Group** Nelson reported on the gardening workshops for the Healthful Food Working Group. There have been five in all at the Lawn and Plant sale, at the Alexander CC, two at Carlington Recreation Centre and one at the Lepage Manor. He has been invited to the BBQ at Lepage Manor on August 28. Members agreed that using flowers in the later workshops was within the spirit of the motion re funding at the June meeting.
- **12. Adjournment -** The meeting adjourned at 9 pm at the call of the chair.