



Approved Minutes: CCA Board Meeting – Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Present: Charity Bartlett, Robert Brinker, Nelson Coyle, David Hoey, Bhavik Mistry, Cathy Younger-Lewis. **Guests:** David Darwin: David Brouwer, Chris Cope, City of Ottawa; Justin Date, John Wright, IBI Group.

1. Approval of Agenda: *It was moved by Robert, seconded by Bhavik, that the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.*

2. Presentation re Community Design Plan, City of Ottawa – Chris Brouwer and Chris Cope from the City of Ottawa planning office and Justin Date and John Wright from IBI Group presented the Merivale North Community Design Plan that they have prepared. On October 5, there will be a presentation at the Alexander Community Centre of the CDP at 6:30 pm. After that, the CDP will be finalized and go to Planning Committee in late 2017 or 2018.

3. Approval of Minutes – *The minutes of the August 16th board meeting were accepted as circulated on a motion by David, seconded by Robert. Carried.*

4 President's Report - Robert and Charity met with Riley to look at ways of improving Merivale. They will be developing some low cost options to implement in the short run while the CDP is unfolding over the coming 15 years or so.

The Carlington Arts Initiative (CAI) has applied for a Spark grant for a year to create more art programming in the community – free to residents. This will include Paid Artists. The grant application and letter of support is in the drop box under CAI if anyone wants to look at it. Two performances are proposed – one for the Arts Fall Showcase and one for the Family Fun Day (FFD). They need a choir director – it will be a paid position. Anyone knows someone who might be interested, contact Linda at CAI. The CAI program for immersive art for 7 to 11 yr olds is starting either Sep 23 or 30.

The application for rink maintenance has come in – Charity is checking with Kevin Waghorn to ensure he is still up to managing the volunteer program to clear the snow. There is an application for civic funding which Charity will apply to for funding for the FFD.

Andrea Reid from the CCH C is writing up funding grant requests for the bike repair stations – she has applied to CIBC and now is applying to Telus. We can have up to 2 to 3 signs on the stand regarding CCA funding for the stand. We may need to go to local businesses – Campbell Ford, Palmyra Pharmacy etc – the contributions would need to be \$1350 unless there is one big donor and then 2 small ones. Andrea provided a list of the usual requirements for funding requests – put up in the Drop Box.



May is biking month. Should the CCA have an event? Cathy will look into that.

5. Development Update – Robert asked whether we had reached a conclusion re the request from Caldwell Family Centre for support for land for a new centre. It was agreed that we could write letter of support in principle if they do a public consultation but members wanted to do a tour of their facilities first. Charity agreed to request a tour on a Tuesday night at 6 pm.

Members agreed to advertise the CDP open house on Facebook. Robert agreed to flyer Merivale Rd.

The Travelodge design failed at the urban design panel. Too high etc. A Kingston ave development and a Turnbull school redevelopment proposal has neighbours concerned. Robert will provide advice to them re how to deal with it. A developer is planning on taking three house lots and putting two apartments there. The proposed development at 1110 Fisher is also going ahead. There is a technical meeting re hospital site rezoning coming up.

6. Greening Committee/Newsletter – Alexander Park cleanup is the following weekend. Cathy asked whether we could have an award at the May AGM for CCA volunteers every year?

7. Finance and Treasury Update – The meeting agreed that we should present a plan for reserve spending at the general meeting. Charity said we should solicit ideas. David said we need to maintain a buffer. There should be no more than \$2000 annually in discretionary spending with a maximum of \$1000 to one place. He wanted the meeting to develop and endorse guidelines, a process to benefit the larger community. He said we needed to check the CCA Mission Statement. Charity suggested we could provide the example of the bike stand and propose a letter of support for this project. David said there is \$8100 in the bank. \$200 was added to the surplus this year. Cathy mentioned she had seen an article regarding volunteer hours funding for Hintonburg – reimbursement. She agreed to circulate the article.

8. Communications/Website – Bhavik reported that he had found good themes for the revamped website. The Home page will be more highlights with links. The home page we see today will be separate and will include the ads. A draft was promised by Monday night of the next week.

It was agreed to leave the question of New Year gala sponsorship to the next meeting.

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