



Carlington Community Association

Minutes (APPROVED) - CCA Board Meeting – November 7, 2022 (Zoom Pro)

Present: Brian Beard, Alaine Spiwak, Heather Darling, David Hoey, Robert Brinker, Peter Zakrzewski

Regrets: Alexandria (Allie) Hodgson

Call to Order by Zoom Pro: 7:05 p.m.

1. Introductions and Land Acknowledgement

'We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded Algonquin territory.'

2. Motion to Approve the Agenda: Moved by David Hoey, seconded by Robert Brinker. There was no opposition, the motion was carried.

3. Motion to Approve the September 12, 2022, Minutes: Moved by Heather Darling, seconded by Robert Brinker. There was no opposition, the motion was carried.

4. Advisements of Conflict of Interest: None noted.

5. President's Report:

a. Neighborhood Response Team Discussion

i. Met with 5 of the members of the Neighborhood Response Team (NRT), (Community Policing Model), at the Alexander Community Center to discuss their experiences, their role.

1. Discussed potential presence at CCA events, i.e. where/when we can invite them to certain events.

2. Can the CCA Board consider polling the broader Carlington community, not just membership, to ask their input on attendance? Include it in the newsletter and maybe a Google form.

3. Previously Riley organized a dedicated meeting for the NRT to attend.

4. There is a Town Hall organized by Riley on December 6 for this.

5. **Take Away:** Board will wait until after the Dec. 6 Town Hall, then will look at inviting the NRT to a meeting and will include details in a Newsletter going forward.

b. Merivale Safety Issue - with the accident on Merivale that resulted in a death, Brian is going to reach out to the Transportation Committee to consider a report outlining the problems that exist, and some potential solutions that can be done to make Merivale safer for everyone.

i. Robert would like to bring a motion forward at the next Transportation Meeting to file a formal report with the City of Ottawa to fill the hole on Merivale at Thames before winter.

ii. As well, the two street lights on both sides of Thames are not working at Merivale where Hydro changed the poles. This is a dangerous issue - Robert has filed a formal complaint.

iii. Brian is going to request some of the speed data on Merivale from Riley.



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- c. Official Plan Changes from the Province: Change on Fisher will go to a 6-storey maximum.
- d. GM Meeting: Discussed guest speaker options, Alaine to reach out to the Carlington Health Centre to have the new Executive Director potentially join.

6. Follow Up/Open Items (Heather)

- a. GM Meeting - November 22
 - i. New Director at Community Health Center - Alaine to look into it.
 - ii. Confirmed Hybrid - Brian to book the room at Alexander Community Centre.
 - iii. Robert will bring a microphone.
 - iv. Discussed dates for documents to Peter: including Minutes, Agenda, Documents. All to Peter for 17.
- b. Next Grant Proposal
 - i. Discussed timing: Launch it in February, run the submissions to the first week of April, Board to made a decision at the May Board Meeting.

7. Website Editing Review (Vivian)

- a. Brian to reach out to Vivian to discuss doing a recording outlining how to manage the website.

8. Finance (Dave Hoey)

- a. Completed Art Installation at Thames: Maggie submitted her claims, we advanced her \$400 for supplies, materials, \$600 for artist fee. \$19 saved/left over due to some donations, forwarded to the \$19 to the local artist.
- b. Bank Account:
 - i. \$1753 to mailed out to insurance company.
 - ii. Raven Park Event – Charity - Expenses were \$700 as she had raised about \$700
- c. Rink:
 - i. In last newsletter, sent out a call for volunteers.
 - ii. Snowblowers might need tuning up.
 - 1. Approximately \$300 - \$400 need to be set aside for that
 - iii. Brian forwarded an email to David from the City regarding the rink contracts, which are around a two- to three- year commitment.

9. Development (Robert Brinker)

- a. **Bill 23 From Province:**
 - i. Means greater housing supply, more units are able to be built, which will have a significant impact on the City of Ottawa. Province is dictating that 3 dwelling units are allowed on every lot in the province instead of single dwelling units. Basement units in a house as well as a coach house would be allowed.
 - ii. **Affordable housing** - There will be a reduction in development fees for developers when building affordable housing. If a builder builds a new suburb, the developer would have to build



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the infrastructure to support it, to pay for it. As well, a reduction of development fees in rental housing will have a big impact to the city.

- iii. **No “Appeal Rights” going forward for site plans**, none will be discussed at planning committees anymore. Only Zoning will be discussed, staff will approve site plans, no longer open for discussion.
 - iv. **One-size-fits-all for all neighborhoods**: All Urban Design guidelines are going away, i.e., what has to be included in a building. In the future, developers can build the same everywhere in the City, and City has no say.
 - v. **Developments over 10 units**: Developers don’t have provide exterior design or landscaping for development anymore. The City will provide the size of the building and units, but no longer how it looks.
 - vi. **Reduction in Park Land, Community Benefits, formerly Section 37**: If a builder is getting something approved higher than zoning is allowed, they pay far less “Community Benefits”.
 - vii. **No money transfer from Province to City to offset the revenue losses**: Means developers will no longer pay for that, so costs will be shouldered by taxpayers.
 - viii. **Inclusionary Zoning**: Will be limited to 5% of the new dwelling units.
- b. **New OP**
- i. Approved by the ministry with 30 changes to it. Biggest changes for us is: “15 min neighborhoods”, that everything should be walkable, but it’s not mandatory anymore.
 - ii. 6-storeys are back in the Plan again.
 - iii. No protection for rental housing anymore.
 - iv. Urban boundary is getting further extended, it’s now 43% bigger than before.
 - v. Developer does not have to provide transportation to the new developments anymore, means the taxpayers will have to pay for it.
- c. **Zoning By-law**
- i. The City is moving to a “Form Based Zone”, which means the City is determining the size of the building, not what is inside

10. Communications (Brian)

- a. Tweeted out a few items.
- b. Allie is looking at changing over to a comms specific role (social media). Brian will reach out to her to get her thoughts there.

11. Greening (Alexandria Hodson)

- a. Cleaning the Capital went great. 5 or 6 people showed up, and more joined in when they saw them cleaning up happening.
 - i. Recommended maybe wearing CCA shirts during these events to help promote the clean-up.

12. Membership (Peter Zakrewski)

- a. 88 Members
- b. November Newsletter - December Newsletter Soon



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- c. 55.7% out of 458 recipients opened the newsletter.

13. Activities

- a. Met with Riley a couple of weeks ago about events he is planning to look for where they can connect and collaborate together.
- b. Carlington Community Health Centre - met with the Health Centre about sharing posts on social media, running some great initiatives and events.
- c. Met with Charity to discuss the Merry and Bright event.
- d. CDF Meeting from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on November 17th, Heather and Alaine will try to attend.

14. New Business

- a. Dec 9 - tentative day for a Town Hall on NRT (Neighborhood Response Team)

Adjournment: Move to adjourn by Heather Darling, seconded by Alaine Spiwak at 8:19 p.m.

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