



Minutes (Approved)- CCA Board Meeting – September 9, 2024 (Alexander Community Centre)

Present: Robert Brinker, Brian Beard, Julie-Ann Kirkpatrick, Mateusz Trybowski, Alexandria (Allie) Hodgson, Cathie Fraser, Jenn Sailus

Regrets: Olivia Jones, Alaine Spiwak

Confirmation of Quorum

Call to Order: 7:00 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 Brian Beard, seconded by Robert Brinker. There was no opposition, the motion was carried.

3. Motion to Approve the June 3, 2024, Minutes: Moved by Jenn Sailus, seconded by Brian Beard. There was no opposition, the motion was carried.

4. Advisements of any conflicts of interest: Jenn has recently taken a position with the federal government department of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada. Though there are no current conflicts of interest, there is the possibility for future ones and she wished to make the Board aware.

5. Shepherds of Good Hope

- Colin is our new contact, SGH will be invited to meetings moving forward.
- Work within our motto, particularly safety aspect, focus on combating mis- and disinformation; request to have a one-pager about what SGH does in order to educate the neighbourhood.
- Adopt a pro-housing approach, housing first, with established services in place to provide support to residents.

6. President & Transportation Report (Brian Beard)

- Brian met with Riley in July.
- Speed on Carlington streets east of Merivale were supposed to be 30km/hour, but 40km/hour and 50km/hour signs went up; any changes to speed limits require Council approval. Councillor Brockington to advise if he will pursue with Council.
- Inconsistency with changing yield signs to stop signs; Riley to investigate.
- General Ave was selected for sidewalk repair two years ago but has not yet had it; Riley to pursue why.
- SGH continues to reiterate that if someone spots something, call the police and not the SGH.



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- Ottawa Police data showed, over a one-year period, 721 reported crime; 15 involved a residents from SGH, of those 15 6 involved the *Safe Streets Act* (likely panhandling).
- 2% of reported crime in the neighbourhood has a link to SGH.
- Brian continues to pursue having Central Park data removed from Carlington numbers and potentially move us to the second phase.
- Idea to have local artists paint murals in the ACC gym, funded with remaining grant money; waiting for information about when ACC renovations will begin in order to determine if it's worth it; option to paint something on an exterior wall, wooden panels that can transfer.
- Discussion regarding constitutional by-law text.
- Discussion regarding increasing events in the neighbourhood; ACC interested in a joint event in the spring. Ideas include basketball, soccer, other sports.
- Advertise small grants available to streets for community parties; create party pack for rent to facilitate community parties (more sustainable), could loan water jugs (they were popular at the recent party); open up event planning to non-Board members; hosting events at the ACC - if the CCA rents the space, there are fewer logistical considerations than if it's run by the City.
 - Person at YMCA who runs a youth gambling awareness program suggested hosting an event; target age is 8-24 and adults who work with youth; CCA would advertise and run registration.
- Set a regular date each month when an event happens - find 12/year, hosted by the CCA; to determine if volunteers would run the event and we donate the space.
- Following October OPL meeting, re-connect with the Board to determine path forward.
- Create a call-out for volunteers, possibility of honorarium as opposed to payment.
- Ideas for events: yoga, phishing and cyber security, movie nights, Ottawa Police Services home safety/making your house more secure.

7. September General Meeting (Brian Beard)

- Discussion of guest speakers: ACORN suggested, OPL extended an invite, SGH will be present, Chandra Pasma (MPP)
- Allie to send out invitation and registration details, pizza will be offered.
- Action: zoom info, getting in to zoom during the meeting, mic & webcam, registration forms.

8. Finance & Library (Mateusz Trybowski)

- Finance updated, minus money involved in Raven Park event which is being finalized.
- Greening event, surplus thanks to donations.



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- CCA grant: working with ACC to identify times for computer session (October targeted); WE Gowling suggested a buddy bench and will return to CCA with vendors and costs.
- Rink maintenance: snowblowers require servicing and/or replacement.
- CCA's request was to set aside a budget for communities that do not have a library branch; OPL has staff to assist but low budget; depending on the activity, Riley can support with additional funding; OPL to provide data to Riley.
- CCA to identify 3 low-cost activities and work with Riley to determine budget and details; focus on literacy (i.e. English language conversation groups, homework clubs).
- Riley to report on process to adjust bookmobile times, current times not desirable for the community.

9. Development (Robert Brinker)

- Ongoing zoning b-y-law, ward meeting last week where City said intensification is coming, response was neutral, Robert flagged that some areas in the neighbourhood are not properly zoned in new system as they are based on old map; zoning should be consistent (high on the outside, lower as you go to the middle); Robert to send suggestions formally to the City; consultations are underway until end of October; next draft will come out March 2025; implementation by end of 2025.
- One site plan application for former Carlington Coffee House, missing ground-floor commercial opportunities

10. Communications/Membership (Allie Hodgson)

- New square with tap function.
- Allie to identify number of attendees for AGM.
- Kit list: merchandise is the main thing missing, speaker and camera could be upgraded if we continue to offer hybrid meetings.

11. Greening (Olivia Jones)

- Absent

12. New Business

- Need to establish a procedure for rinks for this year
- Raise concern regarding red revert lights in the neighbourhood
- Concerns regarding pedestrian light at Fisher and Tunis

13. Adjournment: Move to adjourn by Allie, seconded by Robert at 8:57 p.m.