



Draft Minutes

Monday, April 25, 2016
7:00 to 9:00 PM
Sandy Hill Community Centre

Present from the Board: Chad Rollins, Bob Forbes, Pat Archer, Ian Anderson, Sally Southey, Benoit Belisle, Jeremy Silburt, Judith Rinfret, Susan Young, John Verbass, Marc Tremblay

Present from the community: Larry; Kelly McRae; Marg Dawson; Cathy Major; Mathieu Fleury; Emeline Sparks.

Regrets: Denis Forget

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| 1. Welcome & Introductions to the monthly Board meeting | 19h00 |
| 2. Review & Approval of Agenda | 19h05 |

Chad added items 5 a,b,c,d and e. It moved and seconded. All approved.

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| 3. Review & Approval of Minutes of previous meeting | 19h08 |
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Judy moved to adopt as amended. Marc seconded. All approved

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| 4. Councillor's Report and Questions from the floor – Mathieu Fleury | 19h10 |
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Mathieu and his office will hold a property standards walk and clean up on May 7. Will include reporting and picking up debris on properties. Sally mentioned the need to avoid houses that don't have problems, and to focus on problematic addresses according to Clare's list.

Ottawa Police Board: Mathieu has been collecting data on service calls, which he brings when engaging with the City, including with the new City Manager. A meeting with Steve Kay (spelling?) will take place May 2, and Mathieu will follow up afterwards.

256 Rideau: The lack of parking spaces will make the building less adaptable for future uses. Judy brought up the issue of garbage collection. Nighttime private garbage



collection is part of the site plan. Mathieu will follow up on site plan conditions related to multi-stream diversion, as Susan asked.

Somerset cycling: Mathieu will ask for funding for work on the bulb outs and speed reduction. Funding is unlikely for 2016. Phase II of the plan could lead to bigger improvements. Painting will start in May. Bike traffic has increased

Closure of the underpass in uOttawa: Starts May 2, could be closed as long as Aug. 22. This is for demolition only - it can re-open through the construction phase afterwards. There is a 3-month window to increase the capacity of the underpass. The underpass to Nicholas isn't being touched. The transitway portion is, which is being doubled. A multi-use pathway will follow the transitway from Lees to uOttawa. John questioned the project's timelines and Mathieu confirmed them. Mathieu talked about 2 detours, one at Laurier and Nicholas and the other via Main street. Chad noted the lack of advance notice on the closing, and noted that the demolition timeline seems long.

Byward Market revitalization: report coming on May 3 on governance, zoning (moratorium on nightclubs and bars), and streetscaping (\$82 million). Once the LRT is up and running, the City will measure parking needs of the area and will factor that into the streetscaping. Susan asked about greening opportunities in the plan. John asked about the potential removal of a parking garage on York. Mathieu mentioned it's a possibility. Judy asked about the overpass and access between Byward Market and Rideau street.

Rideau Street revitalization: in 2018, there will be a new look and feel to Rideau with LRT access. Marg asked about removing alcoves near the Bay, which have been the site of public misbehaviour. Mathieu is in discussions with the manager of the Bay.

Safe injection site: strong feelings on both sides of the debate. These are federal and provincial funding issues. Addicts need 18 months for treatment, as it stands. Supreme Court says its effective. If an application comes forward, let's modernize it. Why not have a mobile site? Why not have safe injection areas in multiple health care centres, and not one neighbourhood? Mathieu is looking for modernization in any application being seen by Health Canada. There is interest coming from other entities in Ottawa too. The current federal bill makes it possible for only one agency to apply for one location, and he is looking at how that can be changed.

Pat asked about the recent fire at an illegal rooming house fire on Marlborough. Pat asked for a copy of the fire department's report, and Jeremy asked about any remediations required for the property. Mathieu said the building code dictates what's allowed. Chad noted the history of single-family homes being and apartments being turned into rooming houses, and asked about what triggers inspections of these buildings. Chad asked what the City is going to do to enforce the building and fire



codes. Chad raised the issue of a rooming house registry as a way of gaining right of entry for inspections. Jeremy offered to work with Mathieu to create a pamphlet for distribution to students outlining their rental rights and what to be on the lookout for when renting accommodation in Sandy Hill.

Mathieu will be meeting with the 12 most problematic landlords. Bylaw will follow up with those that don't show up to the meeting.

Sally asked Mathieu's office for a report on what has happened in the last 6 months on by-law enforcement, especially noise, property standards, and solid waste.

Chad asked about whether illegal parking and whether it would be possible to get the City to crack down on it. Mathieu said we would speak with the City about it.

Bob asked whether By-law had extended their hours. Mathieu said he's look into it and said that complaints at or after 4 a.m. should be handled by the police and the criminal code.

Information

5. Special Items

19h30

a. AGM

Chad asked for member to inform him whether they will be running to renew their Board mandates. Chad noted a few other groups could be invited, including those involved on various issues. Pat provided an update on food preparations for the AGM from St. Joe's supper table. Bob mentioned the need for more nominations for volunteer of the year. Chad noted the need for committee chairs to submit year-end reports on their activities within a week, which will be delivered to the AGM. Chad suggested having Board members arrive at 5 p.m. to help set up.

Information

b. FCA

Chad and Judy attended the FCA forum on Saturday called Imagine Ottawa. Issues discussed included greening projects.

Information

c. City planning forum

Jan Harder is running a forum on how to present at the committee of adjustment. Chad has more details for those interested.



Information

- d. Supervised injection site - was discussed during Mathieu's update.
- e. Photo radar

John suggested that the City should have the ability to decide whether to implement photo radar. ASH is being asked to support a letter supporting this initiative. All voted in favor except for Jeremy, who voted against, and Pat abstained. John offered to write the letter. Mathieu proposed suggesting it start in school zones.

Information

- 6. Block Representatives Report – Susan Young 19h45

Susan said Nicole met with a community leader from Strathcona Heights, who will look for members from that area.

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- 7. Executive Committee Report (if applicable) – Chad Rollins 19h55

Chad said there is no report.

- 8. Treasurer's Report – Pat Archer 20h00

Pat presented a report covering the period of January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. The report will be brought to the AGM in May. The closing balance was \$26,088.62, \$9,288.55 in the Save Sandy Hill account for a total of \$35,377.17.

As of March 31:

Total: \$31,835.63
Chequing: \$15,837.16
Homestead: \$6,834.92
Save Sandy Hill fund: \$9,163.55

Chad mentioned that the Sandy Hill Community Health Centre has about \$1,200 of our money, and Jeremy suggested using it for the ping pong table to be built.

Sally mentioned that the Save Sandy Hill money should be spent on the projects that it was raised for. Chad mentioned that other planning-related projects were also mentioned in the call for funds, and therefore we might have some flexibility. The Board would need to vote on future spending, in any case.

Information



9. Committee Reports

20h05

a. By-law Enforcement – Sally Southey

Sally mentioned that Clare has been helping with this committee's work recently. Sally will send a list of properties around.

b. Communications & Membership – Jeremy Silburt & Denis Forget

No report. Chad mentioned that Denis said he had sent around notices to those members whose membership has expired.

c. Engagement with the University of Ottawa – Bob Forbes

No update, except for the problematic landlord session with Mathieu tomorrow.

d. Governance – Marc Tremblay

Chad had proposed amending the ASH by-law to remove the obligation to automatically appoint Board members when the number of members drops under 12.

Marc said that only one provision applies, stating a maximum of 16 and minimum of 12, which also sets quorum. Marc suggested dropping the number to 10, while 8 would be the lowest he'd consider. Judy said she would prefer to limit the number of Board members so that it's not too large, and that all members should have roles.

Marc proposed a motion to read as follows: that the minimum number of Board members be moved to 10, effective immediately. Judith seconded. Passed unanimously.

Decision

Marc will present an addendum at the AGM to update the by-laws that haven't been updated since previous changes have been made.

e. Heritage – Benoit Belisle

No report.

f. Planning & Transportation – Judith Rinfret & John Verbaas

Judith circulated a planning report to the Board prior to the meeting (attached).

Judith proposed ASH attends the committee of adjustment to discuss one of the issues contained in the report. ASH is in favour of the planning committee's position.



Chad reminded the Board of its upcoming meeting at the Sandy Hill Community Health Centre consultation on May 2.

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10. Next Meeting – Monday May 30 20h59

Meeting Adjourned 21h00
