

Riverview Park Community Association

Minutes

March 14, 2018

Maplewood Retirement Residence

Members Present:

- Kris Nanda
- Bob Perkins
- Bryan Orendorff
- Craig Cormier
- Anne Stairs
- Liz Smith
- Marilyn Minnes
- Dianne Hoddinott and
- David Hood

Guests:

- **Councillor's Office:** Jean Cloutier and Erin Loney
- **Community Members:** Raylene Lang-Dion and Marty Koshman

Regrets: Kirsten Fraser

Updated Action Items from March 14, 2018 Meeting (see Annex A)

- *Governance to be discussed at an upcoming meeting (Bob)*
- *Information on flooding issues from Kevin Kit, Elmvale Acres CAcommunity association, to post on the RPCA website (Bryan/Dianne)*
- *Follow up on issues related to installation of park benches (costs, construction, responsibilities, etc.)(Dianne)*
- *Contact MPP John Fraser to discuss the issue of coyotes. (Kris)*
- *Email board regarding choosing date for RPCA AGM (Craig).*
- *Park clean up to be discussed at April 11 2018 meeting. (Kirsten)*

1. Agenda approval

Motion to Approve:

- First moved – Marilyn Minnes; Seconded – Marilyn Minnes
- Approved by all

2. Approval of Minutes from last meeting (January 10, 2018)

Motion to Approve:

- First moved – Bryan Orendorff; Seconded – David Hood
- Approved by all

3. Business Update Arising from the February 21, 2018 Meeting

a) Trainyards High Rise Development

- Presentation by Marty Koshman, President, Controlex Corporation (Trainyards) identified some of the following key points:
 - Development of the train yards shopping area always included the aim of creating some residential infrastructure
 - Timeframe for this work is 8 – 10 years with the construction beginning in late 2018. Tenants in the remaining depot building will moving out in May 2018.
 - Target date for completion of the first residential building is 2020.

- Working with the City on density, height allowance of buildings, and curb appeal – also working with Urban Design Review Panel (UDRP).
 - First phase to include 2 buildings with the buildings increasing in height as they move from Sanford Fleming towards the Walmart.
 - The current aim is for rentals not condominiums
 - Creating a mixed use of the buildings that works for all types of people such as families, singles, ages, professionals, students, disabled, etc...
 - Raised 3 key issues with developing an overpass to connect with Via train station and Tremblay LRT Station
 - (1) Train station is Federal Property
 - (2) Creating a bridge over the existing track (which is part of the National Transportation Corridor) requires approval with National Capital Commission
 - (3) City has re-commissioned a further review of costs associated with the overpass – being done in 2018.
 - Community Information Session and Presentation to be held at the Maplewood Retirement Residence on March 19, 2018, following RPCA request.
 - An update was also provided on status of current and future Train yard commercial tenants (Figaro coffee bar opened first week of March, Urban Barn furniture store opens later in the Spring - Yellow Shoes has closed .
- Key points raised by Board Members during the discussions.
 - Proximity of amenities (e.g. shopping, services, transportation, entertainment) for both residents who will live in Trainyards complex and for the Riverview Park community at large.
 - Creating better and safer walkability for pedestrians
 - Concerns about parking and the increase of more vehicles
 - Affordable Housing
- b) Proposal for 851 Industrial (Dymon Storage) – Bryan Orendorff
 - Despite representations by the RPCA (Bryan) and Councillor Cloutier against the height and retail zoning variance, Dymon Storage's proposal was approved by City Planning Committee and then full Council.
 - There are lessons to be learned should RPCA wish to make address Council in the future on local planning variance applications – but RPCA concerns were clearly brought forward.
 - It was noted that the developers are better positioned to address these types of issues and that the committee can learn from this event with future initiatives.
- c) Follow up with Perley Rideau VHC - Marilyn Minnes
 - Perley Rideau continues to look for input from the local community on services it offers and is considering adding
 - Another meeting to discuss services is planned for May 2018 – Community Liaison meeting is also being held later in the Spring.
 - Marilyn Minnes provided a course catalogue of events at the Perley Rideau for Spring 2018
- d) Governance - Bob Perkins
 - Bob was asked about the status and details of governance review (by-laws etc) and will present update. Item tabled to next meeting
- e) Flooding Concerns - Bryan Orendorff
 - A meeting was held on March 4, 2018 with the Elmvale Acres Community Association to discuss past and current flooding concerns (especially after October 30, 2017 massive flooding).

- o Discussion on how RPCA could respond to the issue including putting together an information package on how to better protect your house from flooding.
- o There are insurance rebates for installing sump pumps in homes.
- o Councillor Cloutier provided some follow up on the issue noting the past flooding issue that happen on October 30th 2017. Currently there is a Valley Drive project in Elmvale Acres for which City funding is being gathered, Chapman Boulevard is having some water sewer work completed and that there will a meeting to discuss these issues on March 28th.

Action Items: Acquire some information on flooding issues from Kevin Kit, President, Elmvale Acres CA, to post on the RPCA website (Bryan/Dianne)

- f) Community Investment - Dianne Hoddinott
- o Dianne provided the costs for installing park benches.

Action Items: Dianne to carry out follow up on the installation of park benches (costs, construction, responsibilities, restrictions etc.)

4. President's Report (see Annex B)

- Via email vote (secretarially) RPCA Board approved \$200 towards the May 29 All-Candidates debate for the upcoming Provincial Elections in June 2018.
- Public meeting on re-zoning and infill being held at City Hall on March 21, 2018.
- Riverview Alternative School is now back again on the Accommodation Review the list for potential closure.
- Concerns continue to be raised about speeding on the Alta Vista Corridor and right hand turns onto Alta Vista Drive (heading north)
- RPCA AGM meeting has a tentative date of October 24, 2018, though this may need to be revisited since municipal election is October 22.
- Presence of coyotes in the neighbourhood is becoming an increasing concern. Some have been seen around the allotment gardens and Hospital Link. Councillor Cloutier has provided a pamphlet to schools and residents.
- Ottawa Champions no longer providing 2 free flex tickets to RPCA members but will provide special on-line discount (\$10 for adults, \$5 for youth)

Action Items:

- Follow up required with MPP John Fraser to discuss the issue of coyotes. (Kris)
- Craig Cormier to send out an email to confirm date of the RPCA AGM.

5. Councillor's Update

- With the further delay of the LRT not starting until November 2018, has met with John Marconi regarding connectivity (including re-opening path on LRT Bridge between Hurdman and Lees Stations since track has been laid). The Councillor continues to look at ways to allow better cycling and pedestrian connectivity during the delay including the potential to accelerate the opening of some current blocked off underpasses and overpasses in the neighbourhood.
- Noted that vehicle traffic infrastructure will return to previous configurations once LRT service begins.
- Will be hosting the "Let's Talk About Healthy Transportation" meeting at the Elmvale Acres Public Library on March 29th, 2018.
- A Visioning exercise is being held on the Heron Gate Development on April 7, 2018.
 - Discussed some issues on pedestrian safety in the neighbourhood and the need for safer sidewalks.

6. **Treasurers Report** (see Annex C)

7. **Committee Reports**

a) **Communications** (See Annex D)

b) **Memberships**

- No free tickets to the Ottawa Champions baseball games this season.

c) **Parks and Recreation** (Kirste)

- Easter egg hunt scheduled for March 31, 2018.
- WHO? Received a permanent key for the Balena Field House

Action Item: Park clean up to be discussed at April 11 2018 meeting.

d) **Planning and Development** –

- P&D Committee met on Feb 16 to discuss 851 Industrial (Dymon) and Steamline Drive (Trainyards high-rises).

8. **Other Items**

- Anne Stairs to attend the next FCA meeting in Kanata
- David Hood's church (Southeast Church) has set a movie night date for Friday August 10th, 2018, with a rain date of August 11th.

9. **Approval to adjourn meeting (8:56pm)**

- i) First moved – Bob Perkins; Seconded – Bryan Orendorff
- ii) Approved by all

Next Meeting: April 11, 2018

Board Members: Craig Cormier, Kirsten Fraser, Dianne Hoddinott, David Hood, Karen Keyes-Endemann (*Ex-officio*), Marilyn Minnes, Kris Nanda, Bryan Orendorff, Bob Perkins, Liz Smith, Anne Stairs

ANNEX A

ACTION ITEMS TRACKING

OPEN

Month Identified	Item #	Item Description	Person(s) Responsible	Status
November 2017	2	RPCA to revisit how to manage charity related presentations	All Members	Ongoing
	11	Governance Team to explore a process to review how the RPCA manages charity related requests. A meeting is planned in the coming months to discuss updating the RPCA governance process.	Bob Perkins and Governance team	Members asked to review the current committee by laws in advance of a discussion at the next RPCA meeting in January 2018. (Open)
	15	Volunteer Extraordinaire update to Dianne for posting on website	Kris Nanda/Dianne Hoddinott	Underway- Dianne is to look at AGM minutes for names from last few years
December 2017	2	Follow up with City on status of toboggan hill	Kris Nanda	Open
	4	Explore possibility of asking city council to designate the former little league baseball building as a future spot for a habitat for humanity project.	RPCA Planning committee	Status Update to be provided at the February 21, 2018 meeting- further update in the Spring
	3	Contact the Perley Rideau VHC as a potential guest speaker the next AGM in October 2018.	Kris Nance and Marilyn Minnes	Closed - will be invited to have booth but not make presentation in 2018 (due to election's)
January 2018	4	Review RPCA By-law and Constitution items prior to next meeting	Governance Committee	Open
	7	Proposal on the unused building at Date	Bob Perkins	Ongoing
February 2018	1	Governance to be discussed at an upcoming meeting	Bob Perkins	
March 2018				

