



## **Meeting Minutes - May 13, 2019**

### **1. Introduction**

Present: Karen, Gary, Louise, Toby, Garth, Fran, Miranda, Mireille

**2. Approval of Agenda** as amended. Approved by consensus.

### **3. Regular Business Items**

3.1 Approve April 8th minutes. Tabled until next month.

3.2 Update on action items from minutes also postponed.

**4. President Update** – Gary met with City Counsellor Matt Luloff and other community association presidents:

- Matt reported the number of pothole and ice complaints from last winter. A substantial amount of money was spent on a contractor to do grading.
- Any time there is a need, a service request is a must so that there is a paper trail.
- Slow down signs are available if anyone wants them. Matt has them at his office and Miranda has two at home.
- LRT and St. Joseph repaving have been well covered on our FB Page.
- Hiawatha Park splash pad has also been advertised by Matt and on our FB page.
- There will be a multicultural event in Orleans on July 2, no venue set yet.
- Matt's new ward office is now on Tenth Line (Ray Friel). There was some communication from Matt re Minto property near park and ride at Place d'Orleans. 6 development blocks are planned, with 2 new streets. No height limits in this area. Some trees have already been removed to start drains etc. It was suggested we push for them to add a fenced dog run. It was also suggested we ask for some community space as part of the development. It was suggested that we invite Matt to our next meeting to share our ideas and to have some dialogue with him.

### **5. FCA update** – Miranda

Last month's topic was the official plan. This month is about recreational facilities and life cycle plans. Miranda is re-joining the board.

Next FCA meeting: May 15<sup>th</sup> at Hunt Club

## **6. Financials – Mireille**

There was some discussion about advertising in our newsletter. We have 337 people on the list. We can let businesses know the numbers it would reach and let them decide if they wish to advertise. We can start with \$75 per newsletter. Gary will ask Matt if he wants to sponsor the June newsletter. Fran needs to have the electronic file by May 24<sup>th</sup> if he chooses to advertise.

## **7. Communications**

7.1 There was some discussion about possible Newsletter topics for June. Some of the suggestions made were: Canada day event? More targeted senior's news, Ecology Ottawa giving away trees, maybe get a group to help with sandbag removal? Dinner under the stars Aug 17<sup>th</sup>. Louise to write a little article about her experiences volunteering during the flooding. Review of dog walkathon. Shout out to RBC Manager.

Stats this month: gained 35 people in FB book, 119 people of just over 330 opened the newsletter.

7.2 Miranda- Web hosting update: The website has moved, there is some more work that needs to be done. The google calendar caused us some grief in that we removed an event from FB calendar, but not from Google calendar. Google calendar is currently turned off.

## **8. Events Planning**

8.1 Gary - Dog walk - RBC, April 27 th RBC volunteers were fantastic to work with. Raised around \$1700, RBC gave \$1000. It was suggested by some participants that we have a shorter rout as well as longer one. About 30 people and 18 dogs participated. RBC is willing to do it again, same time next year.

8.2 Mireille - Walkability info/training session June 4 at the Library on Orleans blvd. Karen moved, seconded by Miranda, that we approve Mireille to spend up to \$25 for this event. Carried.

8.3 Karen - Community BBQ update, July 20. It was suggested we invite Matt Luloff now, so he has lots of time to plan in order to be there. Karen will create generic letter requesting sponsorship, add letterhead and get to Gary to sign before approaching Metro, Shoppers Drug Mart and Dollarama

8.4 Mireille - Yoga in the park: Mireille just discovered there is a community fund available for renting parks. Mireille inquired, and we have \$150 credit for renting parks. Ideally, Mireille is aiming for every Wednesday night in the summer. There was some discussion about possible indoor location for rain days. Mireille is still looking for yoga instructors. Mireille will give us an idea of potential costs for this program. Possibly reach out on FB for potential instructors.

## **9. New Business**

9.1 Miranda- Heritage Property Registry update. There are three properties in our area that are going to be added to this list: St. Joseph church, Desjardins bank and the barn that backs on to 174 (near No Frills).

9.2 Garth - Seniors Services - Web Pages – The medical and health ones are done. There are a few other things to put up but is essentially done for now.

9.3 Garth - Rink Coordinator position – subcommittee still needs to meet on this topic. The information about the city preferring community associations to run the rinks is not on their public information pages. Garth will send a message to Parks and Rec with suggested wording to update their website.

9.4 Gary - Interprovincial Bridge – Gary has been invited to meet this Friday with David Birtchie and some others on this topic.

9.5 Gary - Volunteer recognition for rink volunteers – All volunteer recognition was delivered to volunteers. George, who has been the Rink Coordinator for the last two years, does not wish to continue. All keys have been returned to CGOWCA.

9.6 Mireille - welcome signs at start of neighbourhood: The board discussed the possibility of a Convent Glen sign and where to put it. Queenswood Heights has to replace their sign, perhaps we could get one at the same time if it would be cheaper to do two? Mireille would like to put one with the association name and/or logo. We will need to fundraise and pay for it, but we will need Matt Luloff's help to get permission to put it on city property. It was also suggested that maybe we could put it at the Convent Glen Mall with the owner's permission.

9.7 Board member portfolio titles: There was some discussion that we add areas of interest titles to board members, e.g. Miranda, City Planning/Transit champion. There needs to be more discussion on this with a view to who we may need to recruit for next year.

9.8 AGM date Sept 23. Invite Matt Luloff.

9.9 Official City Plan re Payday Loans: City looking for feedback re how close these businesses should be to each other, Miranda is planning to draft a submission, run it by us and then submit on our behalf.

9.10 Hiawatha Park, Company of Fools is coming. This year they have asked if we want to do something with them.

## **10. Forward agenda items**

### **April Minutes**

#### **Discussion with Matt**

## **11. Next Meeting**

June 10

Meeting adjourned at 8:56pm

**Action Items:**

- Karen: Draft letter for donations and submit to Gary to sign
- Karen: Contact Metro and other possible sponsors to our BBQ
- Gary: Talk to his printer about our logo and possibly get a banner made
- Gary: Invite Matt Luloff to our BBQ and AGM
- Gary: Contact Matt Luloff to see if he is interested in advertising in our June newsletter. Note submission deadline is May 24
- Mireille: continue to work on Yoga in the Park plans