

**Rockland Neighbourhood Association**  
Minutes - Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Virtual Meeting  
Wednesday, May 20th, 2020

Present: Marc Hunter, Sandra Jackman, Chantal Meagher, Bob June, Art Hamilton, New member, Dave Clark, Geoff Young (council liaison)

Guests: none

Absent: David McWalter

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM

Agenda

Motion to approve - Art seconded by Bob approved unanimously

April 21st 2020 minutes

Motion to approve - Bob, seconded by Art, adopted with no edits

Councillor's Report (Geoff)

Counsellors are attending meetings in person now, but public attendance is not permitted at public meetings. Comments on agenda items will need to be submitted beforehand. City Hall is still closed until physical distancing measures are in place.

Joan Crescent duplex - staff is recommending this proceed, CALUC has advised that it doesn't make the roof line recommendations. Discussion ensued about the design of duplex developments. Projects are starting to get going again.

Marc enquired about the status of the homeless population. Geoff advised that people who arrived before a certain date (April 25th) will have homes. The province is eager to stop new people from arriving in camps. All temporary housing is within the city and it is expected there will be impacts. There are currently issues with Burnside. The city and province have both been working on the housing issue. The province is hiring support workers, but the issue is the number of homeless keep growing. People have arrived from up island and even other provinces.

Chantal advised that according to VCAN there are approximately 1500 people in encampments around the city.

### Calendar Review

Art to follow up with Anthony on the June and July calendar items below.

June 04 - CRA filing deadline for T2 short  
Public Body GST rebate

July - Renew general liability insurance through Fairfield Community Association.

July 30 - Deadline for payment of Directors and Officers liability insurance  
- Submit request to City for reimbursement of premium

### VCAN Update (Chantal)

VCAN is not going to meet in May.

### **Committees Reports:**

#### Land Use (Bob)

Things are pretty quiet now - possibility of 1475 Fort apt complex may go to committee of the whole. Neighbours are working on responses.  
St Charles has not come forward with advance plans.

#### Environment (Dave C)

Nothing to report

#### Membership

Not much to report. Only one cheque has come in by mail. Art will look into on-line payments, and will follow up with Anthony. Chantal noted that many renewals are done at the AGM

#### Social

All social activities are on hold.

#### Welcoming (Dave)

No welcoming happening at this time.

#### Woodland Garden

The RNA received a \$10,000 Garden Coordinator Grant from the city for our coordinator, Janet Simpson. The terms of the grant permit up to 20% for materials, equipment and supplies and up to 5% for other hires. Janet now participates in monthly meetings with the people from other NA/CAs. We will work with Janet to explore possibilities for community gardening initiatives. Discussion ensued about accountability and reporting, and additional information is requested. Follow up discussion to be held at our next meeting. Dave and Art will provide more info.

Money: After paying Janet, the RNA currently has just over A\$20k in the bank.

### **Unfinished Business:**

#### **New Board Members**

Fern and Jamie are no longer available, but Pearl is interested in becoming a board member.

Website - Melissa is now on board and available to update the website. A discussion ensued about how this would work best. Chantal to consider becoming the RNA's Communications Manager.

#### **MOTION:**

Bob motioned that Art develop terms of reference for Melissa, working with Sandra. Sandra will consult with Melissa on how best to achieve that goal. Sandra will be the conduit with Melissa to get info posted to the website.

Motion seconded by Dave - all in favour.

During this time the RNA's focus is on getting the house in order, and catching up.

### **New Business:**

None

#### **Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned 8:42 PM

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 10th, 2020 7 PM via Zoom. Please advise Sandra if unable to attend.