

Rockland Neighbourhood Association
Minutes - Meeting of the Board of Directors
Virtual Meeting
Wednesday, APRIL 13th, 2022

Present: Art Hamilton, Sandra Jackman, Dave Clarke, Patricia Kidd, Carollyne Yardley, Susan Evans, Asal Poinen, Dave McWalter, Charlayne Thornton-Joe (council liaison), Gary Pemberton (neighbourhood liaison)

Absent: Chantal Meagher, Bob June,

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

March 9th minutes

Accepted, Motioned by Patricia

Councillor's Report (Charlayne)

The Prime Minister was at City Hall for the second time in five years to talk about issues and initiatives. Prior to these visits, a PM has not visited since the 1960s.

City staff have been busy dealing with truck convoys, which now seemed to have moved up island.

Affordable housing development approvals have been delegated to city staff.

Neighbourhood Plans are behind, staffing and covid have further impacted this.

There was discussion about the task forces taking over for police in mental health situations, and how best to contact them (911 or another number). Charlayne will enquire with the street nurses as to the best practices and advise.

Neighbourhood Update (Gary)

The My Great Neighbourhood Report was handed out prior to the meeting.

Neighbour Hubs: These are gathering points, muster stations, a place for information, emergency supplies, etc. The city is looking to do presentations on this topic. Gary advised that Burnside Gorge would be willing to speak at one of our meetings.

Next Community Virtual Lunch and Learn: April 20 - Neighbourhood Traffic Calming

Car traffic on Vancouver street decreased from 3500 to 500 cars per day. Oak Shade Lane is having issues with increased traffic due to diversions from Richardson.

Calendar Review

Art to speak with Anthony about the CRA filing.

VCAN Update (Chantal Meagher)

No update

Committees Reports:

Land Use (Bob)

No updates

Social

The board discussed the possibility of a zoom meeting/activity for the neighbourhood, and also a walking heritage tour. Dave will explore the walking tour options, Asal will work on the communication, and we will add this to the Short Notice Board.

Membership (Art and Brittany)

We currently have 434 members due to free memberships for people on our mailing list.

Environment and Woodland Garden (Dave C)

Gonzales Community Mapping: Dave met with Gonzales crew to review the framework for their map. It started with the community plan, their goals, then adding map features to align with their strategies. Open source IT was used to create a document. If it goes well it will be upgraded to be web based, so they can make updates. Carollyne volunteered to assist Dave in exploring creating a map for Rockland.

Communications (Patricia)

Melissa is no longer able to look after our website. Patricia offered to take over this role for the same honorarium, after getting training from Melissa. Art asked if we can use City Coordinator funding for a board member. Gary will look into this and advise.

Treasurer (Art)

RNA currently has \$40,180 in the bank.

Traffic (Carollyne)

Traffic Virtual is on April 20th - communication has gone out. The pothole on Rockland at Joan Cres has been filled (almost completely).

Unfinished Business:

AGM planning: The board determined that Grace Lutheran is the best location. We are aiming for June 21st or 22nd at 7pm. Sandra and Pat volunteered to work on putting this together.

New Business:

None.

8:03 meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: May 11th, 7 PM by Zoom. Please advise Sandra if unable to attend.