

Church Wellesley Neighbourhood Association

Minutes

Monthly Meeting 10 April, 2021

Zoom Video - 10am – 12pm.

Board Members Present: Connie Langille, Paul Farrelly, Robert Packham, Trevor Hennig, Neil Gibb, Donald Altman, Kyle Iannuzzi, Sam Katz

Regrets: Tara Schorr

Guests: Jonathan Grimm, Ben Russell, Rama Fayaz

1. Administration

1.2 Land Acknowledgment

1.3 Agenda – approved as amended

1.4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest - none

1.5 Minutes of Last Meeting , March 13, 2021 - approved

1.6 Review of Action items from March 13, 2021

ACTIONS from February meeting

- Tara (not present at this meeting):

- forward background info re policing - *done*
- post Safety update on Facebook Group
- draft letter re 7/11 liquor license application

1.7 Financial Status - \$3,509.27

1.8 Guests – Welcome

2. Activities Report Out

2.1 Government Relations - Kyle

- Survey Monkey paid plan would be ideal for surveys. Approved: \$324 year subscription.
- Community survey will go out as soon as we have the right app to distribute (SurveyMonkey)
- Policing: Tara distributed information on policing reform and this will be the main topic of the next Government Relations Committee meeting; Kyle will ask committee members to read up before meeting.

2.2 Affordable Housing - Neil

- TVO is following housing issues on a regular basis; other jurisdictions have many solutions to housing that are not used in Ontario. Affordable Housing committee meeting is pending.

2.3 Governance - Don

- Report out April 3rd meeting which laid out the work plan for the governance committee.
Don **moved** the following: *Every committee mandate ought to have at least the following sections: Preamble, mandate, composition and appointment, authority, meetings, quorum* **Approved**.

2.4 Fundraising - Sam

- Charitable status: we have received a business number and are making progress in completing the application for charitable status. Aim is to submit to CRA by August; may take over a year for processing. Committee will meet again soon to plan out.

2.5 Communications & Membership - Trevor

- New process for monthly individual renewals is working well; working on process for buildings.

2.6 Safety - Paul

- April Community Safety Network meeting report out – Paul, Tara, Don attended
 - Downtown East Action Plan de-escalation team update (there will be 2 teams of 5)
 - Network structure: propose working groups on Park Animation, Harm Reduction, Violence Prevention, Crisis Response Protocol that will report each meeting.
 - discussion as to how CWNA can reach out to buildings regarding the activities of the Network.

- TPS officer meeting – Virtual meeting hosted by community officers had a turnout of 40. These are planned as a quarterly event and impressions were positive.

2.7 Development & Heritage - Paul

- 33 Isabella (Infill) – site plan meeting is April 29. Development Committee will review the site plan.
- 599 Yonge (The Gloucester) – elevator hoist will come down by August; hoarding should be removed by June; fencing on Dundonald will be there until September.
- 81 Wellesley -- Anti-graffiti coating being applied to ground floor precast panels as they are installed.
 - security cameras to be installed on the ground floor this month
- 70-82 Queens Park (Planetarium) - 7 storey building on property owned by the U of T is opposed by local residents (Queen's Park Heritage Precinct Coalition) and the Preservation Board. The development application has gone to mediation. The Coalition has requested our support. Paul will write a letter of support.
- Plan to meet with Bay Cloverhill Community Association
- Ontario Place for All – discussion as to level of support for a responsible and sensitive renewal of Ontario Place. Kyle recommended CWNA get actively involved. In the meantime Trevor will make sure we are on the OPFA mailing list and post news on Facebook. Kyle and Connie to consult on level of CWNA involvement.

2.8 Placemaking - Connie

- James Canning Gardens – Connie has asked for an update on the park (wood skateboard inhibitors, lights that are not working and when it will be planted)
- Renaming Alexander St Parkette – Facebook poll shows support for and against, with many neutral. Decision to proceed pending Placemaking Committee meeting.
- Spring resurfacing of Church & traffic light installation is ongoing
- In response to an inquiry from Connie regarding neighbourhood markers, Constituency Rep Tyler Johnson recommended CWNA provide two lists of placemaking asks:
 - one to the BIA for anything within the Church Street Redesign.
 Connie is going to ask the BIA / Councillor's office about 1) the status of the project and 2) a place at the table before the design goes out to general public consultations; the Board agreed this would be much more productive than submitting a list of asks to the BIA).
 - one to the Transportation Services Dept. for lanes outside of the BIA boundaries.
 Robert and Trevor had worked with Tyler and Robert Mayes to establish a set of laneway standards meant to be referred to as laneways are rebuilt (pavers, lighting, bollards). These details are usually decided on a case-by-case basis as part of the development / site planning process. Will clarify.

3 Recap of Actions & Upcoming Events

- Events: CWNA Board meeting: May 15 – 10 am
- Actions:
 - **Committee Chairs:** Hold meetings for Development; Safety; Placemaking; Governance (May 8); Housing; Fundraising.
 - **Paul / Robert:** Letter of support to Queen's Park Heritage Precinct Coalition; prep / attend 33 Isabella Site Plan meeting; arrange meeting with BCCA.
 - **Kyle & Connie:** correspond re level of support for Ontario Place for All
 - **Trevor:** subscribe to Survey Monkey
 - **Connie:** ask the BIA / Councillor's office about 1) the status of the Church Street Redesign project and 2) a place at the table before the design goes out to general public consultations