



Annual General Meeting – June 15, 2017 – Ottawa City Hall Draft Minutes

Present: Sheila Perry – [President], Overbrook CA; Chad Rollins, Action Sandy Hill; Maria DeFalco, Bel Air CA; John Stevenson, Bike Ottawa; Caroline B Parry, Britannia Village CA; Charity Bartlett, Carlington CA; Robert Brinker, Carlington CA; Tom Whillans, Centretown Citizens CA; Miranda Gray, Convent Glen/Orléans Wood CA; Roland Dorsay, Champlain Park CA; David Clark, City View CA; Joan Clark, City View CA, Nancy Wilson, City View CA; Archie Campbell, Dalhousie CA; Michael Powell, Dalhousie CA; Denys Cooper, Dows Lake RA, June Creelman, Glebe CA; Bob Brocklebank, Glebe CA; Sylvia Milne, Glebe Annex CA; Pat McLachlan, Glens CA; Erwin Dreessen, Greenspace Alliance of Canada's Capital ; Lorne Cutler, Hampton-Iona CG; David Jeanes, Heritage Ottawa; Neil Thomson, Kanata Beaverbrook CA; Kul Kapoor, Katimavik-Hazeldean CA; Rod MacLean, Katimavik-Hazeldean CA; John Chenier, Lowertown CA; Nancy Miller Chenier, Lowertown CA; Thierry Harris, Lowertown CA; Christian Pupp, Old Ottawa East CA; Bob Parkins, Old Ottawa East CA; Kathy Krywicki, Old Ottawa South CA; David Williams, Pineview CA; Bonnie Oakes Charron, Riverside Park CA; Craig Searle, Riverside Park CA; Phil Sweetnam, Stittsville VA; Graeme Roderick, Tanglewood Hillsdale CA; James O'Grady, Trend-Arlington CA; Al Crosby, Trend-Arlington CA; Gillian Salmond, Wellington Village CA; Stephen Sandiford, Westboro CA; Catherine Casserly, Westboro Beach CA; Don Stewart, Westboro Beach CA; Mari Wellman, Westboro Beach CA; Cora Murphy, Woodroffe N. CA; and Dave Grosvenor, Woodroffe N. CA

Guests: Marc Dehnez, former member of Ontario Municipal Board; Councillor Toby Nussbaum; Amy Zhou, Kanata North Ward Councillor's office; Barbara Myslinki, Heritage Ottawa Development Inc. and Ian Johns, architect.

1. Welcome: Sheila Perry - chair, welcomed all participants and invited each person to introduce themselves.
2. Adoption of Agenda: On a motion by John Chenier, seconded by Don Stewart that the agenda was approved.
3. Presentation of 2017 Awards
 - The 2017 FCA Award was to Judy Forrest, which was accepted on her behalf by Tom Whillans of Centretown Citizen CA
 - The FCA Builder Award was presented to Ian Johns, an architect who combatted urban sprawl with neighbourly privacy.
 - The FCA Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to former president Archie Campbell.
4. Guest speaker Marc Dehnez discussion of "Fixing the Planning System" focused on the trials and tribulations of avoiding a precise definition of the concept planning.

The system is only as good as the principles that underpin it, but the criteria for planning were not begun to be identified until some twenty years ago.

Now we have many criteria constraining planning but no public support. Ultimately, the goal needs to be that of making planned development work for the whole community. The target has to be realizing the highest and best use of property. The current proposals would improve procedures but do not tackle this crucial issue. Until the highest and best use is resolved, Ontarians will face uncertainty and inefficiency in the system as we try to muddle through.

Question and Answer:

Phil Sweetnam (Stittsville VA) asked: 'Who might be members of the new Local Planning Appeal Tribunal', to which Mr. Dehnez replied that he imagined that the current OMB members.

5. Business Meeting:

- i) Rod MacLean was appointed to record the draft minutes of the AGM 2017
- ii) On a motion by Archie Campbell, seconded by Thierry Harris, the June 07, 2016 draft minutes as circulated were approved.
- iii) President and Board's report was presented by Shelia Perry with heartfelt wish that past president Gary Sealey's health would improve
- iv) Treasurer's Report, presented by Lorne Cutler, indicated that 40 organizations were paid members of FCA, that reports were now on an accrual basis and that FCA committees and the FCA itself were budgeting their finances for the 2017-18 year. Lorne also informed the members that FCA may need to increase the membership fee.
- v) Yearend Survey Report was presented by Thierry Harris which came from responses by 58 individuals representing 46 organizations.
- vi) Nominations Committee Report -- presented by Archie Campbell. Sheila Perry was proposed as president; Alex Cullen was proposed vice-president; Graeme Roderick was proposed as secretary and Lorne Cutler was proposed as treasurer. In making the presentation, Archie invited other nominations from the floor three times after stating each nomination. There being none in each case, he declared the candidate acclaimed.
The Members-at-large, also acclaimed, were:
Robert Brocklebank, Roland Dorsay, Miranda Gray, Thierry Harris, Kul Kapoor, Bruce Lindsay, Maria-Luisa Marti, Chad Rollins, Don Stewart, and Phil Sweetnam.
- vii) On a motion by Graeme Roderick, seconded by Don Stewart the reports presented to the AGM were accepted with thanks to the executive and the nominations committee.
- viii) Sheila Perry with the assistance of Don Stewart and Chad Rollins organized a series of draws to award the twelve packages of tickets to the Mayor's July 1st Breakfast at Lansdowne Park donated by Councillor Jan Harder.

6. Announcements:

- i) David Jeanes advised the participants that Heritage Ottawa would be sponsoring walks in the City over the summer and there would be one on June 18, Sunday at Parliament Hill.
- ii) The next general meeting will be on Wednesday, September 20, 2017

7. Adjournment:

On a motion by Archie Campbell, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm