

Federation of Citizens' Associations of Ottawa (FCA-FAC)

General Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2019

Location: Peter D. Clark Place, 255 Centrum Blvd, Orleans

Attendees: Sheila Perry (Chair) – Overbrook CA, Catherine Higgins - Wellington Village CA, Denys Cooper - Dow's Lake CA, Bob Brocklebank - Glebe CA, Mare Jorgeville – New Edinburgh CA, John Stevenson - Bike Ottawa, Graeme Roderick – Tanglewood-Hillsdale CA, Karen Lynch – City View CA, Dave Clark – City View CA, Kul Kapoor – Katimavik-Hazeldean CA, Ian McCallum – Woodpark CA, Morley Brownstein – Bel Air CA, Al Crosby – Fairhaven, Debra Park – Manor Park CA, Alice Nakanishi – Centretown Citizens CA, Miranda Gray – Convent Glen-Orleans Wood CA, Catherine Hacksel – Lowertown CA, Maria Luisa Marti – Friends of James and Bay, Roland Dorsay – Champlain Park CA, Rod MacLean – Katimavik-Hazeldean CA, Robert Brinker – Carlington CA, Stefan Bagiuki – Greenspace Alliance, Toby Bossert – Convent Glen-Orleans Wood CA, Mary Hung – Centretown Citizens CA, Don Stewart (Recording) – Westboro Beach CA

Guests: Matt Luloff, Josee Adam, Krystal Taylor, Inge Roosendaal, Michael Srogosz-Bolduc

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm.
2. Adoption of agenda – moved by Roland Dorsay, seconded by Robert Brinker, carried.
3. Miranda Gray gave an overview of Convent Glen-Orleans Wood Community Association.

Welcome from Matthew Luloff, Ward 1 Councillor

4. “My healthy neighbourhood”– Ottawa Public Health

The presentation highlighted the role of public health in creating healthy built environments, and information on OPH resources for FCA members to use with their communities to create environments that enable all people to be healthy, thrive, and live to their fullest potential.

Krystal Taylor gave the overview. Inge Roosendaal reviewed why healthy built neighbourhoods are important. This included the need for street trees and greenery for mental health and opportunities for exercise. Josee Adam discussed “My Healthy Neighbourhood”, with a focus on healthy eating and active living. The Public Health web site is www.ottawapublichealth.ca. Their presentation to the meeting will be made available on the FCA web site.

5. Business: Local Issues:

- Catherine Hacksel invited all to a screening of the film “Blue Roses” at the main library branch on December 7 followed by a discussion on end of life.
- Kul Kapoor raised the question of whether CA's pay for meeting facilities for board and general meetings. Information on this will be distributed. A survey of attendees revealed 11 have a City facility, 5 pay for space and 6 have no public place.
- The question of whether the City auditor should review the LRT was referred to the Board.
- Al Crosby raised the issue of rural development polluting wells.

6. President's Report - Sheila Perry

- Community policing under review, 3 pilot programs- Carlington, Heron Gate, Overbrook-Vanier.
- “Building Community Through Theatre”, a manual on how a small neighbourhood successfully co-created and staged a community musical- copies were distributed
- Pointed out that grant opportunities are available from the Ottawa Community Foundation with a February 1 deadline for applications
- Requested a motion to donate \$100 to support the Climate Change Workshop through the Greenspace Alliance. Moved by Graeme Roderick, seconded by Robert Brinker – carried.

7. October Minutes approval: Moved by Graeme Roderick, seconded by Don Stewart – carried

8. Treasurer's Report - Sheila reported for the Treasurer that there are now 55 members, an all-time record.

9. Committee Reports

(a) Planning & Zoning: Announced meeting dates, including December 4.

(b) Communications: Focus is on revising the web site. We now have a brochure and banner.

(c) City Relations: There are pre-consultation meetings – NDA concerns which will be looked into.

(d) Logistics: The next General Meeting will be December 11, location to be announced.

(e) Transportation: Made presentation on budget. Members were reminded about the Transportation Workshop on November 30.

10. New Business:

(a) A vote of thanks was expressed to Bob Brocklebank for his excellent meeting preparation slides.

(b) Priorities of Council were discussed. It was recommended the first point on point on Ottawa-Gatineau transportation be reworded. The Board and Transportation Committee will review.

(c) Roland Dorsay promoted the “Neighbourhoods Count” workshop on November 23 at Overbrook Community Centre.

11. **Adjournment** was moved by Graeme Roderick

Don Stewart, Minutes prepared.