



DRAFT Meeting Minutes – FCA General Meeting
 Wednesday, December 14, 2022
 Via Google Meet

Minutes Recorded by Leeanne Van der Burgt

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1	Call to order, welcome and land acknowledgement	The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm Forty-two people were in attendance	
2	Approval of Agenda	There were no changes requested from attendees. Motion to Approve the Agenda as presented Motion: Alex Cullen Second: Leeanne Van der Burgt	Carried
3	President's Report Robert Brinker	<p>The External Relations Committee prepared the FCA response to Bill 39; Better Municipal Governance Act which was submitted prior to Membership approval due to the short deadline available from the province. Motion to confirm the submission and adopt the letter. Motion: Roland Dorsay Second: Alex Cullen FCA is pleased Ottawa has decided not to take advantage of the special powers available through the Bill.</p> <p>FCA representatives Robert Brinker and Roland Dorsay met with Charmaine Forgie at the City to discuss the relationship with the FCA and request regular communication. There was agreement that there will be regular meetings.</p> <p>Robert Brinker reported having attended the Central Experimental Farm Advisory Council meeting. Updates to the governance plan remain in progress. There is focus on protection of the Farm as development increases in the area.</p> <p>Committee of Adjustment is expected to begin meeting again soon.</p> <p>New Zoning Bylaw Working Group met. The City will begin consultations with communities, developers and other stakeholders in early 2023.</p>	Carried

4	Open Mic – Local issues	<p>Alex Cullen, Rhys Phillips and Lorne Cutler City Budget - City Budget. The City will need to address revenue shortfalls and added expenses from decisions like freezing transit rates, changes in development charges and pending union contracts. The Water Quality Standards</p>	
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5	Adoption of the Minutes from the November 16, 2022, General meeting	<p>No changes were requested.</p> <p>Motion to approve the Minutes: Motion: Leeanne Van der Burgt Second: Maria Luisa Marti</p>	Carried
6	FCA Submission: Bill 39	This topic was addressed in Item 3; President’s Report	
7	Treasurer’s Report	<p>Lorne Cutler reported: FCA Membership: 70 Bank balance of \$26,943.00</p> <p>The 2023 FCA budget is being prepared for presentation and approval in January. The new budget item in 2023 will be for the new Administrative Assistant.</p>	

<p>8</p>	<p>Committee Reports</p>	<p><u>Planning and Zoning Committee</u> The Committee met on December 7. The primary topics were Bills 23 and 39. The next meeting will be January 11, 2023</p> <p><u>Transportation Committee</u> The Report of the Ottawa Light Rail Transit Public Inquiry has been released and is available online. The Committee is looking for a new FCA representative to sit on the City Parking Management Committee. Please notify FCA if you are interested.</p> <p><u>Communications Committee</u> The primary focus of the Committee has been interviewing candidates for the Administrative Assistant Role. The Committee has supported the communication of the FCA's submission on Bill 23. Submissions shared with FCA by other Members and organizations are available on the FCA website.</p> <p><u>External Relations Committee</u> The Committee has a goal to see more equitable representation on City Committees. The implications of Bills 23 and 39 will be monitored and public consultation encouraged.</p> <p>There was lengthy discussion again about the City Budget.</p>	
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9	Working Groups	<p><u>Committee of Adjustment Working Group</u> The report generated by FCA following the CofA workshops and associated recommendations will be sent to Council before the holiday break. This will be followed by further communication with Council and the Committee in early 2023 with a possible Op-ed piece for public awareness.</p> <p><u>Insurance Working Group</u> Alex Cullen and Lorne Cutler The Working Group had a meeting scheduled with City Staff on Friday, December 16 to discuss insurance for outdoor rink operators. It now appears that this meeting will be open so all affected community associations and rink operators may attend. More communication will be forthcoming once there is clarification about this meeting.</p> <p>The topics to be raised include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - seeking an ODR insurance status update - understanding of the exemptions - understanding if there are additional requirements for events held at these facilities - seek a meeting with all rink operators - clarity of what is and what is not currently covered and what the options are. <p>A poll was taken of attendees on this topic:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have you contacted your Councillor (about insurance)? 11 Yes 2. Have you asked for mitigation? 6 Yes 12 No 3. Will your group not sign the rink contract this year if your volunteers and employees are not covered? 1 Yes 3 No 9 Not Sure <p>Alex Cullen will send an update to the FCA Membership.</p>	
10	Other Business	<p>LRT Inquiry Alex Cullen – The Report of the Ottawa Light Rail Transit Public Inquiry will be reviewed by the FCA Transportation Committee.</p> <p>City Budget This topic discussed through the course of the meeting.</p>	
12	Adjournment	<p>Motion to adjourn the meeting Motion: Don Stewart Second: Maria Luisa Marti</p>	Carried

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 18, 2023

