

RPCA MEETING

MINUTES

Riverside Park Community Association

Wednesday, 10 April 2024

Location: Hybrid meeting

Board members attendance	
Dave Coyle, President Tony Tran, Vice President Kevin Wolfe, Treasurer John Mark Vaissi Nagy, Director	Rob Vhoven, Director Terry Wood, Director Gabriel Gonzalez, Secretary

1. Welcome and call to order

- 1.1. Dave called the meeting to order, and acknowledged that it took place on unceded Algonquin Anishinaabe land. The [agenda](#) was approved by Terry, seconded by Kevin.
- 1.2. Dave moved to approve the [minutes](#) of the March meeting. Terry seconded.

2. Financials review (video starts at 11:55)

- 2.1. Kevin presented the [financials](#) for the months of February and April. The only revenue over those months was the last City payment for the rinks. The RPCA was in a positive cash flow for these two months. Kevin expected the RPCA will purchase a few items for the rinks next year, including another liner, which helps at the Pauline Vanier park.
 - 2.1.1. Terry moved to accept the financial report. Dave seconded.
- 2.2. Dave brought up the need to decide on whether to waive the need for an audit under Ontario Not-for-profit Corporations Act (ONCA) as the RPCA's financial as always available to the members. The motion must be presented to the membership at least 10 days (and not more than 50 days) before a special meeting of the members. To pass, the **motion will need 80 percent of voters being in favour at a meeting with at least 10 members present.**
 - 2.2.1. John moved a motion to move forward with the waiver motion, in accordance with ONCA, at a specific meeting of the members to be held on 8 May and with the appropriate advance notice to the membership posted on the RPCA website and through the mailing list. It was seconded by Terry. The whole board was in favour.

3. Ward updates (video starts at 44:00)

- 3.1. Councillor Brockington went through his community update report:
 - 3.1.1. He started with development, noted progress on the Revalie site, and focused on the upcoming construction at the Brigil site. He announced an upcoming pre-construction info-session involving the contractor to explain how the project will unfold (18 April 7:00PM). Work is also expected to start at the Docks site.
 - 3.1.2. The Councillor gave an update on OC Transpo bus route changes in the community as part of the Line 2 opening.
 - 3.1.3. Other points raised by the Councillor covered the possibility of adding a basketball court at Mooney's Bay, traffic calming measures, festival parking, value village development plans, and upcoming community events, including planning for Earth Day.
 - 3.1.4. During the Q&A, the Councillor answered questions on speed enforcement, the Brigil development (planning for immediate demolition as soon as tenants are finalised), public transit, as well as the need for the community to be fully considered as part of the Value Village mall redevelopment.

4. Community updates (video starts at 1:14:15)

- 4.1. Rink contract 2025 - Rob confirmed the contract for the rinks continues into 2025 (three year contract ending after the 2025 season) and that he would like to purchase more liner for the next season, to line the entire Pauline Vanier rink.

Rob proposed a small lunch for the volunteers to thank them for their work.
- 4.2. Communications - Tony raised the issue of the Riverside Park garage sale clashing with the Great Glebe Garage Sale. Tony also invited members of the community to share any events they're organising that can be shared on the RPCA channels.
- 4.3. Corporate By-Law - John explained that he made a draft update of the by-laws to ensure compliance with ONCA. They need to be consistent with the legislation by 19 October. Following discussions with board members, he agreed to provide a risk analysis looking at the implications for each of our by-laws staying as they currently are, giving the board an option to amend or continue with the by-laws as they currently are. The board agreed to have the By-Law modernisation completed in time for approval at the general meeting of the members (October 2024).
- 4.4. Community gardens - Marianne gave an update on the community garden beds, with 13 gardeners already subscribed and two beds still available. If the beds remain open, they will be offered to gardeners who want to support local agencies. She also called for more volunteers, including for the seedling giveaway on 18 May. She also informed that some plants are being grown for the concrete planters along Walkley.
- 4.5. Fall and Spring festivals - Dave reviewed plans for upcoming events and proposed motions to fund the two festivals. He also suggested a motion to open a membership class for highschool students to give them a chance to participate more actively in the community. Dave also asked that the membership options be expanded on the registration form.

Terry suggested funding the Brookfield food pantry through a donation rather than with the proceeds of the garage sale. He supported funding the fall festival. John supported the idea of a highschool membership to encourage volunteering (by-laws need to be updated).

There was a discussion on the possibility of allowing e-voting in which case there would need to be updated membership to better keep track of voters within a family membership.



5. Next Meeting: Wednesday, 8 May, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

6. Adjournment

Dave moved a motion to adjourn the meeting. Terry seconded.

Motion carried.

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