

MINUTES

Riverside Park Community and Recreation Association RPCRA Annual General Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday, October 2, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Location: Riverside United Church

1. Call to Order

1.1. The meeting was called to order by Joel at 7:02pm. The following directors were in attendance:

- George Brown, Director
- Nicole Christy, Director
- Travis Croken, Vice-President
- Joel Duff, President
- Barbara Haines, Treasurer
- Paul Willets, Director
- Gillian Wintonic, Secretary
- Andrew Wintonic, Director
- Terry Wood, Director

1.2. Regrets received from Director Mark Staz.

1.3. The following RPCRA members were present:

- Donna Bueckert
- Emma-Leigh Boucher
- Lewis Burpee
- Kate Cathrae
- Carolyn Gauthier
- Marvin Kaplansky
- Sandra Kearns
- Bob Laird
- Helen Lee
- Keith Lee
- Marika Magro
- William Manzer
- Paul Penna
- Carolyn Percy-Searle
- Teresa Reeve
- Craig Searle
- Oliver Treen
- Linda Vervaeke
- Susan Wade

1.4. The following RPCRA members were present by proxy:

- Hugh Howie
- Tara Peel
- Lauren Snowball
- Mark Staz

1.5. The following guests and observers were present:

- Councillor Riley Brockington
- Council Staff Anthony Chiarello
- Renée Elson
- Elsy Fuentes
- Victor Fuentes
- L. Goudas
- Margaret Kirkpatrick

1.6. Joel declared that more than 10 members were present, establishing quorum for the meeting.

1.7. He announced that he had designated Barbara Haines to act as his proxy for the duration of the meeting, so as to avoid a conflict of interest while chairing the meeting. He also announced that the following proxies were received: Hugh Howie (proxied to Nicole Christy), Tara Peel (proxied to George Brown), Lauren Snowball (proxied to Travis Croken) and Mark Staz (proxied to Paul Willetts).

2. Adoption of the Agenda

2.1 It was moved by C. Gauthier seconded by S. Kearns to adopt the agenda as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes from the 2018 Annual General Meeting

3.1. It was moved by C. Gauthier and seconded by K. Cathrae to accept the 2018 AGM minutes as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1. None

5. 2018-2019 Report from the Board

- 5.1.** Joel presented a report from the Board of Directors that recapped a number of events that have occurred within the community over the past year. The slide deck for this presentation is available on the website.
- 5.2.** The RPCRA Action Plan was developed in 2018 and sets the framework for the RPRCA activities into 2020. Feedback from community members is welcome and appreciated. The board will revisit and revise the Action Plan at the next board retreat (scheduled for November 28, 2019).
- 5.3.** Joel reported that the Communications Committee has increased communications through monthly eblasts and social media engagements. A resident and local business survey will be undertaken in 2019/2020.
- 5.4.** Joel reported on behalf of Mark Staz that the Community Safety Committee is a joint committee with the Hunt Club Community Association and focuses on a number of safety issues including wildlife and local crime.
- 5.5.** Nicole reported that the Environment and Parks Committee has been working to inventory local green spaces and organizing park clean ups. The Committee has also been involved in consultations with Canoe Bay regarding the new park that will be developed on their property.
- 5.6.** Travis reported that the Events and Culture Committee had worked hard to support several community events in 2019, such as Shakespeare in the Park and the Hunt Club – Riverside Park Fall Festival. The Committee also shared local history articles via social media and the RPCRA website.
- 5.7.** Terry reported that the Land Use, Development and Transportation Committee had had a busy year, responding to several important files. The Committee has been focused on major projects such as traffic calming measures, expansion of the Airport Parkway, transit service, LRT development, short term rentals, and updating of the City of Ottawa Official Plan.
- 5.8.** Gillian reported on the joint Library Services Committee which is seeking members from Riverside Park. The Committee is working to preserve and promote existing library services and secure new services for our community.
- 5.9.** Andrew reported that the Recreation and Rinks Committee had a very successful season maintaining the neighbourhood rinks. He has confirmed with the City of Ottawa the intent of the RPCRA to operate the Pauline Vanier and Arnott Park rinks for the 2019/2020 season.
- 5.10.** C. Percy-Searle had questions regarding Committee involvement in the Canoe Bay development. Terry clarified that the Environment and Parks committee has been looking after the project related to the park development. The Land Use,

Development and Transportation Committee has represented the association at other Canoe Bay consultations.

5.11. It was questioned how the naming of the Canoe Bay park would proceed. Councillor Brockington reported that there will be solicitation and consultation on naming in the future.

5.12. Members of the community have persistent concerns over traffic safety issues such as speeding and failure to stop at stop signs. Residents were encouraged to report infractions as they occur, and to get involved on the RPCRA committees.

5.13. It was moved by C. Searle and seconded by B. Laird to receive the board report.

MOTION CARRIED

6. 2018-2019 Financial Report

6.1. Barbara presented the approved 2018-2019 RPCRA financial report to the membership and noted that the majority of RPCRA income comes from operation of our community rinks.

6.2 It was moved by T. Reeve and seconded by W. Manzer to receive the 2018/2019 Financial Report.

MOTION CARRIED

7. Notice of Motion: Association Name Change

7.1 The following motion was served with due notice in advance of the meeting by the Board of Directors:

Whereas the Riverside Park Community and Recreation Association (RPCRA) is an unnecessarily long and cumbersome name; and

Whereas the recreational activities of the association will continue to be entrenched in the mission of the association but can reasonably be assumed under the activities of a community association; and

Whereas the association has on its current board of directors, professionals with legal and graphic design experience, who can implement a name change with minimal cost to the association; therefore

Be it resolved that the name of the Riverside Park Community and Recreation Association (RPCRA) be changed to the Riverside Park Community Association (RPCA); and

Be it further resolved that all official documents of the corporation, including articles of incorporation, letters patent, mission and bylaws be amended accordingly.

7.2 It was moved by Nicole and seconded by George that the Riverside Park Community and Recreation Association (RPCRA) amend its name to Riverside Park Community Association (RPCA).

MOTION CARRIED

8. Board Elections: Revelstoke Director

8.1. Nicole reported that the board had issued a call for nominations of a director from the Revelstoke neighbourhood. One nomination had been received, from member Paul Willetts, but no nominations were received from residents living Revelstoke neighbourhood. Nicole called for nominations from the floor, but none were received.

8.2. Nicole declared Paul Willetts acclaimed as a director to the RPCA for the Revelstoke neighbourhood. His term will be two-years, starting from October 2019 until the RPCA AGM in October 2021.

9. River Ward Councillor's Report: Riley Brockington

9.1. Councillor Riley Brockington presented his report, and touched on emerging issues including:

9.1.1. The 2020 City Budget consultation will be held on Tuesday, October 22 6:00 – 8:00pm at Jim Durrell Arena.

9.1.2. The Mooney's Bay Pavillion project is seeking funding from provincial and federal governments.

9.1.3. The Riverside Mall has been put up for sale. It is currently zoned for general mixed use, but the new owner could file to have the property re-zoned.

9.1.4. The City is hosting an open house for the Bank Street Redesign on Thursday, October 17 6:30 – 8:00pm at Jim Durrell Arena.

9.1.5. Riverside Drive will potentially undergo repaving in 2020 and 2021, pending budget approval. The paving work will need to be undertaken at night and the councillor will consult with the community when more details become available.

9.1.6. Summer festival bylaw stats have been compiled and will be distributed shortly.

9.1.7. The traffic calming pilot on Walkley Road is anticipated to begin in spring 2020 and will test options for traffic flow with an off ramp from the Airport

Parkway. A good communications plan will be needed. He will provide further information on traffic calming to the Board in November.

10. Riverside Park Nursery School Update: Donna Bueckert

- 10.1.** Donna reported that the Riverside Park Early Learning Centre is in the final phases of site plan approval. The early learning centre will provide 88 full-time child care spaces for infants, toddlers and preschoolers.
- 10.2.** Community fundraising campaigns will soon be underway to close a funding gap.
- 10.3.** Construction is set to begin in March, 2020, with funding dependent on a December 2020 opening. Questions can be sent to RPELC.Community@gmail.com.

11. New Business

11.1. *Snow Removal Services Issues*

- 11.1.1. Joel gave an overview of snow removal service concerns in the neighbourhood. There have been many reports of lack of competition and increased prices for 2019/2020 contracts. Concerns were raised over companies working together to divide up territories and sharing of private client information.
- 11.1.2. The RPCA has been communicating with the Hunt Club Community Association and encouraging residents to file complaints with the federal Competition Bureau.
- 11.1.3. RPCA and Councillor Brockington have been working with CBC to have this issue reported in the media. The story will air on CBC TV on October 7. In the meantime, residents are encouraged to share their issues with the RPCA and the media.
- 11.1.4. In the meantime, the RPCA is working to find other contractors who are willing to service the Riverside Park neighbourhood and will be promoting these options on the website and social media.

12. Other Business

- 12.1.** There was no other business brought forward at the meeting.

13. Next Meeting

13.1. The next Annual General Meeting of the RPCA will be held on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Riverside Churches, 3191 Riverside Drive.

13.2. The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Riverside Churches, 3191 Riverside Drive.

13.3. The Board meeting schedule for 2019/2020 is as follows:

- Wednesday, December 4, 2019 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)
- Wednesday, January 8, 2020 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)
- Wednesday, February 5, 2020 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)
- Wednesday, March 4, 2020 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)
- Wednesday, April 1, 2020 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)
- Wednesday, May 6, 2020 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)
- **Saturday, June 6, 2020 – 11 a.m. (Community Centre) *Summer Meeting***
- Wednesday, September 2, 2020 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)
- Wednesday, October 7, 2020 – following the AGM (Riverside Churches)
- Wednesday, November 4, 2020 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)
- Wednesday, December 2, 2020 – 7 p.m. (Riverside Churches)

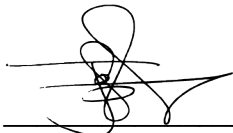
14. Adjournment

14.1 The meeting was adjourned at 10:01pm.

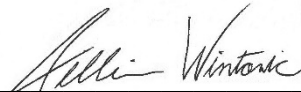
Meeting minutes were prepared by:

Gillian Wintonic

Minutes confirmed by:



Joel Duff, President



Gillian Wintonic, Secretary