

CENTRETOWN CITIZENS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting - Draft AGENDA
Tuesday, 21 January, 2014
7 - 9 p.m., Ottawa City Hall, Billings Room

1. Call to Order, Welcome and Board Member Regrets

1.1) Regrets - Lauren Rock

2. Adoption of the Agenda

(MOTION) That the Board approve this draft agenda.

3. Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes and Business Arising

(MOTION) That the Board approve the minutes of its December 2103 meeting.

(MOTION) That the Board approve the minutes of its November 2013 meeting.

(MOTION) That the Board approve the minutes of the October 2013 Annual General Meeting

(MOTION) That the Board approve the minutes of its September 2013 meeting.

4. Announcements

4.1 Call for announcements

5. Somerset Ward Councilor's Report

6. Executive and Committee Reports

6.1) President (by Thomas McVeigh)

Letter of resignation attached.

(MOTION) That the Board accept the letter of resignation of the President

6.2) Vice-President (Lauren Rock)

No report received.

6.3) Corporate Secretary (by Peter Thorn)

Minutes done. Reports filed in conjunction with Alice Nakanishi.

6.4) Membership Secretary (by Graham Pressey)

Update on membership numbers

6.5) Treasurer (by Alice Nakanishi outgoing & Paul Mennier incoming)

Report Forthcoming - Will be available at meeting

6.6) Executive Committee

No report received, Committee did not meet -

6.7) **Heritage Committee (by Katherine Charbonneau, chair)**

No report received.

6.8) **Planning Committee (by Judy Forrest and Robert Dekker, co-chairs)**

1. **291 - 239 Lyon Street:** A presentation was given to the committee for a proposal for a new development at 291-293 Lyon Street. The new construction at 293 Lyon was to compliment 291 Lyon which was recently built. The combined 291-293 will have combined 12 units on four storeys and according to the owners, will be mid-range for rent. The front main level will be an accessibly designed for unit for wheelchairs.

The Committee had generally positive comments on the development. The main concern was regarding the accessibility of the garbage/storage and bicycle rooms. The access to these rooms is a ramp. The committee would like to see the access conform to standards for wheelchairs and scooters as set out by the City of Ottawa.

The proposal is going to the Committee of Adjustment February 5th. See the attached letter for approval by the Board to send to the CoA.

Motion: Approve letter from Board to Committee of Adjustment

2. **515 Somerset St. W (Beer Store):** The committee received a presentation regarding a proposal to demolish and rebuild as a 3 unit commercial building. There are several appellants.

The committee expressed interest in having the property developed as a Mixed Use building with commercial on the ground level and affordable rental units above. At the meeting the Murray Chown, representing the developer advised that there was no interest at the present time to adding housing units to the project – but he would take our comments back to the developer.

The attached letter was drafted to be sent to the CoA.

The scheduled date to appear at the Committee of Adjustment has been postponed and is yet to be re-scheduled.

Motion: Approve letter from the Board to the Committee of Adjustment

3. **Official Plan Amendment Appeal:** Ten people have agreed to form an ad-hoc committee to spearhead strategy and the work required by the CCCA for the OMB Appeal. Fundraising was discussed, a plan will be put together to raise the money needed for a successful appeal.
4. **Committee Chair Selection:** The status quo will remain for now, with Judy Forrest and Rob Dekker remaining as co-chairs of the Planning Committee. The expanded workload of the OMB Appeal ad-hoc committee was seen as important and was a priority over finding new co-chairs.

5. **Planning Committee email distribution lists:** The current list will be split to a 'discussion' list and 'announcement' list. Committee Co-Chair Dekker has access to the list and will be completing this task.
6. **Next Meeting: Monday February 3rd 2014, Honeywell Room 6:30pm - 8:00pm**

6.9) Seniors Committee (by Patricia Marsden-Dole, chair)

Seniors Report. We met on Monday 13 January at the Sun and Flowers. No sign of Mrs McVeigh (*she was not feeling well and missed it – her son the president*). We discussed the importance of supporting a diverse population in Centretown. We have decided that our next project with an article for the Buzz will be to collect from 12 people responses as to how they live in Centretown (house, condo, rental), why they made this choice, and their level of satisfaction with their choice. We want to ensure that we have a representative sample without turning this project into a social science study.

Draft of a letter to the Minister of Industry re the Post Office issue.

Motion: Approve attached letter to Minister as drafted by committee

6.10) Transportation Committee (by Michel-Adrien Sheppard, chair)

The transportation committee would like to propose that the board adopt/approve its amended report on the Elgin St walkability audit as attached to this agenda.

6.11) Trees and Greenspace Committee (by Bonnie Mabec; Chair Tomas Whillans Absent)

Ed Lawrence event, Jane's Walk and Plant Sale were discussed.

Motion : Approve setting aside a budget of __ \$t for expenses related to the Ed Lawrence Event.

6.12) Communication and Promotion Committee

Committee Met. Chair was elected. Priorities set were moving internet service provider so that we have a stable web presence, and updating website permissions so that access is more fine grained so that committees will have access so that they can update their own areas, keeping the website more up to date and reducing workload on president.

7. Other Reports and Business

7.1 Accountability letter (by Henry McCandless, director of the board)

To be deferred to next month as the champions of this piece are not available to speak to it, and ensure that the final product meets their expectation.

8. Question Period

9. Forward Agenda Items

9.1 Next Board meeting: February 21st, 2014, City Hall

10. In Camera Discussion re: Crerar Appeal

(MOTION) That the Board go in camera to discuss an ongoing legal matter

11. Adjournment