

Riverview Park Community Association February 9, 2011 Meeting minutes

Present: Carole Moulton, Chris Mark, Kris Nanda, Sherry McPhail, Marian O'Connor, Nazish Ahmad J.P. Thibault, Nadine Chamorel

Guests: Greg Fougère, Cheryl, Jen from David McGuinty's office, Concerned residents Stefan Dubowski, Angela Graham, Nancy Swan

Absent: François Allard, Bruce Aho, Karin Keyes Endemann

Next meeting: March 9th, 7pm Dempsey

Actions from meeting:

- Marian to count # of emails on RP list
- Sherry to get in touch with insurance about soccer
- There were a number of city meetings to attend, most in regards to the AVTC hospital link road. RPCA sent at least one delegate to each, including:
 - **Feb 11:** Bus garage drop-in 6:30 to 7:30pm (JP, Nazish, Kris went)
 - **Feb 15:** Environment committee meeting. (Carole and Sherry wrote submissions and attended meeting but were not allowed to speak.)
 - **Feb 17:** Councillor Hume's budget consultations 7-9pm Pleasant Park Baptist church parlour (Karin, Carole and other RP residents)
 - **Mar 1:** Budget savings town hall (Karin, Carole, others)
 - **Mar 3:** All city budget meeting 7pm City Hall (Karin, Kris, Marian, Sherry and many other RP residents)
 - (Planning & Transportation committees had already met; RPCA sent delegates)

1. Call to order & introductions

2. Approval of agenda

3. Approval of minutes – 11 January 2011 Board meeting

4. Perley Rideau expansion update

Presentation by Executive Director Greg Fougère and Cheryl Homuth, Program Manager of Gatineau site and Assisted Living program contact.

- 15-year plan is to create a senior's village: expand assisted living program to support seniors at home instead of unnecessarily in long-term care (LTC) beds
- Area of support: Queensway to Hunt Club, Bank Street to 417
- 139 apartments, 40 cluster units for dementia patients, less than LTC
- 45 below-market rents for referrals from Ottawa Housing registry
- 3-storey, 42-unit apts on Russel Road, building starts March, done spring 2012
- 5-storey, 97-unit apts on north PR building, building starts May, done Dec 2012

- No change with pond; little league moved out on their own 2 years ago
- Saunderson-Pullen path remains, only slightly shifted
- Will add 86 parking spaces to keep cars off residential streets
- Parking will also be allowed on Russell

5. **Participation of Board Members on Committees**

Open positions:

- RPCA Garage sale organizer (June 2011) (no volunteers--need time to think)

6. **Committee reports:**

Communications: (Marian O'Connor)

- Website (photos, bios, stats, still need some bios and photos)
- added all info on the hospital link
- cleaned up email list

Planning and Development: (Kris Nanda)

- **Trainyards (395 Terminal Avenue) 8-storey building for Canada Revenue Agency:** Submitted positive comments and need for pedestrian access over or under the ViaRail tracks as per requirement in 2001 Train Yards zoning amendment
- **425 Terminal ave:** 9-storey building proposed on land owned by ViaRail
- **Cycling/pedestrian:** Asked offices of Hume & Chernushenko if we can plow path between Hurdman & Lees
- **CAFEs feedback:** (Community Associations For Environmental Sustainability) Kris attended February 7 meeting and raised AVTC; proposal for more robust organization to address communities' environmental concerns
- **Bus Garage:** Alternate access route opening in fall. Kris to attend open house on Feb 10.
- **Cancer Foundation House:** scheduled for completion in April 2011
- **Community garden:** Trinity Nazarene Church (on Avalon) is interested
- **Proposed residential building off Russell:** Privately owned road, located across the street from Perley complex; condos proposed.
- **Alta Vista Transportation corridor:** This was a larger discussion and the reason many guests had attended. The RPCA had voted on a position of opposition against the Hospital Link at a special meeting (Jan 28). We discussed what we'd done and what we could do.

Actions complete:

- Article in Ottawa This Week; follow-up letters to say RPCA is not alone
- Posters in the woods
- Riverview Reviews articles
- Press release to Cit, Sun

Actions to do (volunteers did all of these things and more; too numerous to list here)

- Presentations at meetings as listed above; write to committee coordinator
- Contact other media venues such as Openfile.org for community journalism. Editors take ideas, send to professional journalists
- Gather list of potential allies/partners, people in RP and other CAs; Rosemary Nelson for Transportation: ask coordinator to distribute to all members of committee
- Research brownfields in Ottawa
- Investigate removal of item from budget; what can \$ be used for instead; AVTC road can only be removed from Official Plan and Transportation Master Plan in 2013

The AVTC hospital link issue had a great deal of media coverage of both sides, but council voted on March 8 to build the hospital link.

Parks, Recreation and Environment: (Chris Mark)

- **Winter carnival/skating party report:** 150 people came, thanks to all volunteers. Total costs \$370, donations \$88, need cheque for \$50 to scouts and cheque for Chris Mark for expenses. Had to pay permit. Will remove ashes in spring. Consider paying for ads in Riverview Review. Chris Mark will bring it up next year.
 - **Riverview Park:** City will paint swings and look at drainage problem.
 - **\$20 gift certificates for rink volunteers:** Chris Khoury requested.
 - **Soccer:** Sherry to get in touch with insurance; there is no mention of location.
7. **Fieldhouse development (Chris, Francois, Pam, Karin, Will)**
 - Will meet now that carnival is over.
 8. **Riverview Park newspaper update (Carole Moulton)**
 - Went bigger: 40 pages, 16-colour, cost 64 cents per paper, 4200 copies.
 - Will try to get more ads in next issue.
 - Believe signing will be done this week.
 9. **Treasurer report: (Bruce Aho)**
 - Bruce gave Carol cheque for Neighbourhood Watch
 - Chris has invoices and needs 2 cheques for skating party
 - Deposited \$3600 for first and second city rink contributions
 10. **New business:** none
 11. **Adjourned at 9:15**

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