

Minutes of NOCA Board Meeting November 19, 2012

Present:

Dean Forsyth
Andrea Blakman
Lawrence Reiper
Michele Hillier
Alexia Penny

Regrets:

Ian Knipe

1. Approval of Agenda – as amended.

2. Approval of Minutes of September 17, 2012 – m/s Andrea/Lawrence, carried.

3. Visitors from CoN: Dave Stewart and Chris Scholberg – Lawrence requested that they come to talk to the Board about the development process due to the requests and information coming our way.

Dave indicated that there are different types of development applications:

- a) where the developer already development rights. These are sent to as FYI with no comment expected;
- b) where the developer is seeking additional development rights. In this case, the neighbourhood has more input, can be present at the City process. With regards to rezoning requests, we can respond at the public hearing.
- c) liquor licensing requests – there will be an actual request for comment and input;
- d) requests for variance, e.g. relax height, no response expected from us.

They spoke about “What’s Building?” on the CoN website which shows most development that in process. Dave did an online demo. Subscription to the site can be by development type, location or all applications in process.

Chris responded to a question re: how do we respond? He says anyway we want: email, letter, phone. Particularly on rezoning it is important to indicate support or not, and why. Development permits can be responded to if we feel strongly.

4. Director’s Reports:

a) Treasurer’s Report – attached. Approval m/s Andrea/Dean, carried.

b) Dean/Barb – Transportation Workshop – they inquired about the bus loop, reply that there will be a plan in the next 5 year.

c) Lawrence – NNN – Dark Sky Project was discussed, chair was elected, Harewood Neighbourhood Plan – phase 1 is completed.

d) Andrea – Good Neighbour Committee – re: fellow who does little pick up, Old City Quarter applied for a City grant for a modest stipend for him; Gord Cote and Sandy of Harris House will administer. Motion to donate \$100 toward winter boots for him, m/s Michel/Alexia, carried.

- emergency shelters – some spaces have been lost at the church on Waddington; numbers appear to be slightly down; Wet Weather shelter at the Unitarian church is open.

5. Discussion Items:

- a) **New Executive** – President – Andrea
VP – Dean
Secretary – Alexia
Treasurer – Barbara

Lawrence, Michele and Ian continue as Board members at large. M/s Barbara/Alexia, carried.

b) Letters of Thanks:

- Harris House - \$100 in Salvations Army meal tickets
- Doug Creba and Hugh McLeod – in thanks for service on the Board
- Chris Scholberg – in thanks for continuing support

Andrea and Alexia to draft letters, circulate for approval and send.

c) Debrief AGM – discussion around need to hold future AGMs in a local venue; and to focus on more efficient flyering. Barbara to follow up by contacting Canada Post re: possible mailing of flyers in future.

d) Community Centre – tabled to December meeting.

e) 433 Milton Street – Board unsure if this is actually an issues as development request does not alter allowable density. Alexia and Andrea to write letter as per developer's request, c.c. to Dave Stewart.

f) Insurance for Board members – tabled.

6. Next Meeting – December 17, 2012 at 7:00 at Harris House.