



**Glebe Community Association
Draft Minutes of the Board Meeting
Tuesday, 28 Feb 2017**

Present:

Board Members: Christine McAllister, Elizabeth Ballard, Sharon Chartier, Rochelle Handelman, Angela Keller-Herzog, , Peter Leyser, Carolyn Mackenzie, Carol MacLeod, Johanna Persohn, Nini Pal, Alex Norbert, Jason Vallis, Dan Chook Reid, Sarah Vieback, Colette Downie, Sam Harris.

Others: David Chernushenko, Edward Ocampo-Gooding, Chelsea Battell, Jennifer Raven, Joshua Van Noppen, Liz McKeen, Scott Blurton, Jamie Brougham, June Creelman, Laura Ndoria, Rob Gottschack, Stephanie Lemieux (Ottawa Police Service).

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted. (Christine McAllister moved, Nini Pal seconded, Carried)

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the 24th January 2017 meeting were approved. (Christine McAllister moved, Carol McLeod seconded, **Carried**).

Councillor's Report – David Chernushenko

- 890/900 Bank St Beer Store/ Mr. Muffler, city staff report due March 17. Asked how to get more attention on community concerns e.g. Urban Councillors.
- Transit Plan: Carling Ave from beyond Westgate to Bronson to give higher priority to bus transit. Adding cycle tracks, may include 2 cycle lanes across onto Glebe Ave. Capital Ward newsletter has link. Does not include proposed new hospital location.
- Rink at SHP, not built this year (staff changes). Confirmation that \$ are still available. Councillor to follow up for next year.
- Glebe team at Capital Cup was all male. Must be 50% female, 50% male.
- McDonald's leasing space at Bank and 5th Ave was not known by BIA Board. GCA reaction: Community had asked for opportunity to discuss certain parameters when lease is signed. BIA agreed to advise and did not. Reflects poorly on GCA relationship with BIA. Is outdoor signage compliant with by-laws? Dangerous effects of fast food marketing in school zone well documented. Will be requirement for extra garbage containers.

Community Police Officer: Constable Stephanie Lemieux

- Sarah Viebeck introduced new community policing officer
- 12 years with Ottawa Police (patrol officer, school resource officer, community policing)

- Centretown, Glebe, Glebe Annex, Chinatown, little Italy, Old Ottawa east, Ottawa south make up her area
- Service Initiative: last 5 years, how to make policing sustainable without hiring more, 15 officers to 10 in community policing, area sizes have increased.
- Request for Officer to attend functions: if community officer cannot attend, request will go to regular police force and be prioritized.
- She is direct link to Ottawa Police, contact her first. She can liase with other depts as required. lemieuxs@ottawapolice.ca
- www.ottawapolice.ca mischief, theft from vehicle, graffiti, traffic complaints – report them, intelligence led policing. Every report is read and feeds intelligence gathering.
- Mischief down 56 %, Theft from Vehicles down 20%, Break and Enters down 18% in the Glebe.
- Hoping to be out on bike patrol this summer
- School Resource Officer assigned to every school.
- Naloxone kits available at pharmacies free of charge to address fentanyl overdose
- Make the Right Call campaign: to be launched
- Will write articles for community

President's Report – Christine McAllister

- FCA next mtg March 15, sponsored by Greenspace alliance, Parks or Environment Committees may want to go.
- \$770 deposited to GCA Account by Carol McLeod from 2016 fundraising campaign turned in late by canvasser.
- 50th Anniversary: Sept 30, pm free family friendly event, evening more adult event (concert and performers) may charge for this. Past Presidents writing Glebe Report articles. Much more could be captured. Approval of adding 50th anniversary notation to logo. Request for more time on agenda next month.
- GGGS Colette Downie: any photos of 2016 event for website, May 27th this year's date. Do we want connection to Canada's 150th? Continue to partner with Ottawa Food Bank. Washroom access is always an issue. Need to communicate about Food Bank donation program. Connect from GCA website?
- Health and Social Services Committee to provide health input, planning committee to consider being involved, tenants committee may have input, Heritage involved, Area rep. Collaborate on what could be suggested re: McDonald's.

Motions

Motion 1 – Nomination of Alex Nobert as Chair of the Communications Committee and member of the Executive Committee

Background – The position of Chair of the Communication Committee has been left vacant after the resignation of Basia Vanderveen earlier this year.

Motion – That the GCA Board of Directors appoints Alex Nobert as the new Chair of the Communication Committee and mandate him to be part of the Executive Committee as well. (Christine McAllister moves, Sharon Chartier seconds, Carried)

Motion 2 – To enter into a collaboration, on behalf of the GCA, with Kind Canada to plan and promote activities

Motion

Whereas the mandate of the Glebe Community Association (GCA) is to advocate for a liveable, sustainable, diverse urban neighbourhood.

Whereas Kind Canada is a national not-for-profit organization that promotes and encourages all Canadians to help create a pervasive culture of kindness from coast-to-coast-to-coast.

Whereas the GCA and Kind Canada share the view that kindness can make Glebe and other neighbourhoods even more caring, generous and vibrant communities.

Whereas the GCA and Kind Canada have discussed their shared interest in a collaboration for the purpose of organizing a series of activities as part of the GCA's 50th anniversary and Canada's 150th birthday.

Whereas the purpose of such activities would be to promote and encourage kindness within the Glebe community, and beyond.

The GCA Health and Social Services Committee moves to enter into a collaboration, on behalf of the GCA, with Kind Canada to plan and promote activities intended to reinforce the idea that "small but powerful acts of kindness can make a big difference" in the lives of the people around you. **(Sarah Viebeck moves, Carolyn McKenzie seconds, Carried).**

MPP has planned a Kindness Week with Kind Canada. GCA will be fully aligned with those opportunities.

Committee notices, issues, Q&A

1. Communications Committee - Alex Norbert

- Aims to provide better access, better tools and support to communicate what GCA is as distinct from GNAG, Glebe Report.
- Monthly newsletter: some content to come from community and committees
- More focus on social media, engagement with community
- Tools and support for Board and Committees e.g. develop content for website
- Will get GCA on Instagram
- Looking for photos from community

2. Planning Committee – Carolyn McKenzie

- 890/900 Bank St: 3 partners would not agree to GCA request. Expect city staff to approve 8 story proposal much to community's disappointment. Petition to be online in next 48 hours. May consider protest at City Hall between March 17 and 28th.

3. Transportation Committee: installation of sound barriers on Qway has created a safety issue when entering the Qway at Lyon. Request to committee to look at issue.

4. Environment Committee – Angela Keller-Herzog

- Old Home Energy Event (Apr 22)
- 150 Tree team has been active
- City report on climate change and environment very disappointing. Attending April 18th CAFES meeting to raise concerns.

Other Business: nothing raised

Adjournment: 9 pm (Christine McAllister moved, Alex Norbert seconds, Carried).