



GCA Board Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, May 23rd, 7:00 p.m. at the Glebe Community Centre
 Chair: Sharon Chartier
 Secretary and Timekeeper: Sylvie Legros

| Administrative | Speaker / Lead | Time | |
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| Approval of the agenda and April minutes | Sylvie Legros | 5 minutes | 7:00-7:05 |
| President's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM (final touch up) • Nomination for 2017/18 | Sharon Chartier Sharon Chartier | 15 minutes | 7:05-7:20 |
| Councillor's Update | Councillor absent | 0 minutes | 7:20-7:20 |
| Comments/Issues from the Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tulip Festival display at Aberdeen Pavilion | Carol MacLeod All | 10 minutes | 7:20-7:30 |
| Committees with motions/seeking approval | 0 motions to pass | 0 minutes | 7:30-7:30 |
| <u>No Motion so far</u> | | | |
| Committee notices, issues and Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health & Social Services Committee – review of the noise by-law (letter sent to the City attached in Committee Reports) • Membership Committee | Sarah Viehbeck Carol MacLeod | 25 minutes | 7:30-8:45 |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GGS • Planning Committee – Beer Store • 50th Anniversary • Environment Committee Report | Colette Downie Carolyn Mackenzie June Creelman Judith Slater | | |
| Other business | All | 5 minutes | 8:45 – 8:50 |
| Adjournment | All | | 8:55 |

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1- Health and Social Services Committee



May 6, 2017

Mr. Jerrod Riley
 City of Ottawa
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Dear Mr. Riley,

The Glebe Community Association (GCA) is a volunteer, non-profit, membership-based and City-recognized organization advocating for a liveable, sustainable, diverse urban neighbourhood. The GCA informs, consults and engages with residents and other groups in the Glebe on issues of importance and promotes the interests of our community with all levels of government and other organizations. On behalf of the GCA, I am writing with regards to the City of Ottawa review of its noise by-law.

We read with interest the materials associated with the City's noise by-law review and proposed options and also attended one of the City-led consultations. Noise has been well-established as a health concern. The World Health Organization has linked noise to sleep disturbances, hypertension, heart disease and mental health problems. A number of the issues in the proposed revisions to the noise by-law are likely to have benefits to residents and serve to reduce noise. The GCA is supportive of many of these efforts and is disappointed that a proposed noise exemption for Lansdowne is bundled in with many other positive proposed changes. We protest

lumping special events changes, which seem to favour relaxing the by-law regulations, in an omnibus noise by-law that seems to be generally tightening noise provisions.

The issue of noise at Lansdowne Park has been a matter of concern for the GCA since 2010 and persists as a significant “hot button” issue for the Community. As a result, the GCA wholeheartedly opposes any options related to the potential for increased noise at Lansdowne Park and respectfully requests that such an exemption be removed from the noise by-law review for the following reasons:

1. There are **considerable** differences between Lansdowne and the Canadian Tire Centre - both venues are specifically mentioned in the proposed option. Lansdowne is nestled in a residential neighbourhood, located on water which carries noise, and is an open air venue. As such, Lansdowne and the Canadian Tire Centre are not comparable and should not be treated as such.
2. The Lansdowne Park re-development has been an ongoing challenge within the Glebe. The development has resulted in challenges associated with traffic and considerable ongoing noise associated with the music played at all times of the day by restaurants and bars have been largely accepted by the neighbourhood. It is well understood that such a large event venue comes with periodic exemptions, but those should indeed be the exception and not the rule.
3. As the City continues to expand its ‘festival city’ reputation and widely promotes the use of Lansdowne Park for events, it is particularly critical that the controls to minimize noise from the venue. We believe this to be imperative for noise associated with special events and not. The venue is surrounded by family dwellings, seniors’ residences, and condominiums and these private residences merit protection from public noise, particularly at late hours.
4. At the April 26, 2017 City consultation, City officials spoke to data that for the most part special event permits (and related exemptions) are approved by Councillors, but that is not always the case at Lansdowne. It is the view of the GCA that these data suggest that the existing system of Councillor approval is working and that rather than offering a blanket exemption to events at Lansdowne that is a strong argument for the Councillor maintaining a decision-making role given his understanding of the local issues.

The GCA would like to voice its appreciation for noise enforcement efforts and its support for the ongoing actions, regardless of hour or event, taken to reduce noise whenever possible at the venue. Further, we would request that any proposed changes to the current application of the city's noise by-law at Lansdowne be subjected to robust community consultation with Glebe residents. The GCA would be pleased to work with the City to facilitate such efforts.

We do hope that the staff report and the Community and Protective Services Committee will agree that Lansdowne and its surrounding residents need protection from increased noise, not exemptions that normalize noise in our neighbourhood.

Sincerely,

Sarah Viehbeck

Chair, GCA Health and Social Services Committee

cc. Councillor David Chernushenko

cc. City of Ottawa Community and Protective Services Committee members (Councillors Deans, Brockington, Mitic, Qadri, Chiarelli, Egli, Nussbaum, Fleury, Darouze, Qaqish)

cc. Mayor Jim Watson

2- Items from June Creelman and Sam Harris

a) Underground Sound

The Underground Sound board is working hard to spend the Underground Sound monies and wrap up this organization was never intended to be an ongoing activity. This year, the Underground Sound board intends to:

* Fund a bird-themed mural on the side of Yarn Forward and Sew on to mark the entry into the Glebe. The cost of this is \$7000.00. This was a mural that was selected last year by Underground Sound and the BIA and was not approved under the City mural program.

* Contribute to the City mural program, which is jointly funded by the Underground Sound, the BIA and the City. All three groups must agree on the mural artistic approach, and then the owner of the building must also agree. The Underground Sound approved five different designs and we are hoping that at least two will be accepted by all and proceed this year. (For this mural program, the City contributes half and Underground Sound/BIA contribute the other half—Ex: \$3000 City, \$1500 US and \$1500 BIA = \$6000 for a mural.

* Continue to support the parklets this year. Ongoing conversation is going on regarding future storage, maintenance etc. If there are any future requests for Underground Sound funds it would be important to identify them soon.

* Monies have been set aside to support the beautification of green spaces at St. Giles and the Fourth Avenue Baptist church. It is taking more time than expected to move these projects forward, but we are hopeful progress will be made this year.

* Contribute \$5000 to landscape maintenance on Bank Street. This will support the work of the Garden Angels.

* GCA may be interesting in two proposals that have come in to Underground Sound that may have merit but likely do not fall within Underground Sound's mandate of beautifying Bank Street. One is a community mural by GNAG on the back of the Bridgehead building. Another is the potential re-surfacing of the concrete retaining wall in Central Park West to cover the graffiti. The idea is that Christopher Griffin would be asked to do some of his etchings on this section of the wall.

* GCA may also be interested in knowing that the BIA wishes to create some additional street signage on Bank Street (a second blade) to indicate the Glebe.

Two questions for the GCA board:

1) Is the GCA still interested in the creation of some sort of community info board on Bank Street? It has been hard to identify a location for this.

2) Are there any other Bank Street beautification projects that the GCA wishes to proposed before Underground Sound wraps up—probably next year.

b) GCA 50

Work is proceeding on the GCA 50th celebration on **September 30**. Two items for the board meeting:

* Would Committee chairs agree to have tables at the event? The event will be from **3 pm to 5 pm.**, so we are probably looking for a 3.5 hr commitment in all—1 hr. set-up, 2 hr event, 30 minute take down.

* The GCA 50 committee (June and Sam) is recommending that to keep the focus on community and celebration, that we keep the speeches short and only have speeches from the GCA (maybe oldest and newest and the key community organizations that the GCA gave rise to, namely GNAG and the Glebe Report.

We would acknowledge elected officials, past and present, but would not invite them to speak. Does the GCA board agree?

3- GCA Environment Committee - Report – 2017 05 22

Trees & Greenspace

- Ecology Ottawa/Tree Ottawa have several thousand samplings that they will have roving volunteers hand out at the Great Glebe Garage sale. We are helping by setting up tree-refill stations at distributed points in the Glebe. Hopefully info on saplings planted in the Glebe can be shared with us for the 150 Trees in the Glebe project (to be confirmed).
- the presentation of the next draft of the Urban Forest Management Plan to the City Environment Committee was postponed from the May 16th meeting to the June 20th meeting due to the fact that key staff were involved in emergency management and post-emergency response planning. Despite this, the intent is still to release the draft only the strict minimum 7 days prior to the meeting.
- 2017 05 09 Garden Angels (Judith, Linda, Angela) met with BIA (Dana Thibeault, regrets from Andrew). Agreement that BIA would plant and maintain a number of flower and green-space locations along Bank St:

- FarmTeam Cookhouse (upon permission from the property owner)
- Bank Street and Fifth Avenue
- Delilah's garden bed
- PetValu
- Bank Street and Second Avenue (requesting both sides, budget dependent)
- Shopper's Drug Mart (looking into raised planters for 2017)
- Yarn Forward

Garden Angels will continue to maintain the bed at the Papery and locations off Bank St.

- we will also follow up with City forester re. replacement of trees at Shoppers, Cookhouse and ex-LCBO locations.

Climate Change and Energy

- the final accounting for the Old Home Earth Day Event is attached. Not counting people's time, it was a \$3K event; we benefitted from some very generous partnerships and sponsorships; net revenue for Environment Committee was \$12. 63.
- in pursuit of a Renewable Energy Strategy for Ottawa, a group of community associations part of CAFES (Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability) have been asking for a meeting with Mayor Watson, following up on meetings with Councillors on this topic. So far the Mayor has not been willing to meet with us. A meeting for CA reps is scheduled for May 26th with Serge Arpin (Mayor Watson's Chief of Staff) and Robyn Guest (Director, Policy; Mayor's Office). Angela Keller-Herzog will attend for GCA.

Waste & Recycling

- We will repeat the neighbourhood drive for environmental stewardship and responsible disposal after the Great Glebe Garage Sale. Main categories of the left-over drive are: furniture, books including text books, clothing & household goods, and electronics (working and waste). We have updated GCA web-site and outreach to partners. Enterprise Truck Rental is making two vehicles available for \$100.00 and Value Village Fun-Drive will re-imburse this expense as well as intake left-overs on Sunday morning. Any proceeds will be donated to 10% Foodbank and 90% Ottawa Centre Refugee Action.



Administrative

- Jennifer Humphries has agreed to volunteer as co-chair of the Environment Committee for GCA 2017-18. (Judith Slater is stepping back as she is moving to Centretown).
- We have started work on improving our section of the Web-page and are in touch with Elspeth and Alex.

Financial report next page

| Statement of Income & Expenses | | | Prep by Angela KH, reviewed Vaughn Guy | |
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| Income | | | Notes | |
| Donation | David Chernushenko | 200.00 | direct deposit to GCA account Feb 2017 | |
| Sponsorship | Algonquin College | 500.00 | Cheque #937522 | |
| Sponsorship | Lagois Drafting & Construction In | 200.00 | Cheque #37146 | |
| In-kind Donation | SmartNet Alliance | 1,432.04 | | |
| In-kind Donation | William Nuttle | 150.00 | | |
| In-kind Donation | Angela's Bed&Breakfast | 150.00 | | |
| In-kind Donation | Whole Foods | 75.00 | | |
| In-kind Donation | McKeens | 100.00 | | |
| In-kind Donation | David's Tea | 45.00 | | |
| In-kind Donation | Bridgehead | 45.00 | | |
| Contribution | GCA for insurance on rental contract | 162.00 | | |
| Total Income | | 3,059.04 | | |
| Expenses | | | Paid By | Expense Claim Voucher # |
| Glebe Community Ctre Room Rentals* ** | | 544.22 | William Nuttle | 1 |
| Printing - promotional business cards | | 50.83 | William Nuttle | 2 |
| Printing & Supplies | | 120.00 | William Nuttle | off-set |
| Graphic design of logo, poster, wide banner | | 688.00 | Smartnet Alliance | off-set |
| Banner and Printing & Lamination 11x17 posters | | 166.58 | Smartnet Alliance | off-set |
| Table cloth rental (33) | | 482.85 | Smartnet Alliance | off-set |
| Supplies (poster boards, duct tape, hooks, etc) | | 54.11 | Smartnet Alliance | off-set |
| DVD Rogers TV Interview | | 40.50 | Smartnet Alliance | off-set |
| Trees in the Glebe Banner | | 32.94 | Jennifer Humphries | 3 |
| Printing - posters, programs, cards | | 387.50 | Angela Keller-Herzoc | 4 |
| Food - Bananas, cookies | | 75.00 | Whole Foods | off-set |
| Food - Muffins, sandwiches | | 100.00 | McKeens | off-set |
| Food - Apples, Juice | | 30.00 | William Nuttle | off-set |
| Food - Coffee, Mandarin Oranges, Apples | | 150.00 | Angela's B&B | off-set |
| Food - Coffee | | 45.00 | Bridgehead | off-set |
| Food - Tea | | 45.00 | David's Tea | off-set |
| Food - Cream, lemonade, cookies | | 33.88 | Judith Slater | 5 |
| Total Expenses | | 3,046.41 | | |
| Net Revenue Environment Cttee | | 12.63 | | |
| Expense Reimbursements to be issued by GCA Treasurer: | | | | |
| Jennifer Humphries | | 32.94 | | |
| Judith Slater | | 33.88 | | |
| William Nuttle | | 595.05 | | |
| Angela Keller-Herzog | | 387.50 | | |
| * does not include \$100 refundable deposit returned to Bill's credit card by city. | | | | |
| ** includes \$162 insurance to be paid out of GCA general funds | | | | |