



GCA Board Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, June 26th, 7:00 p.m.
Glebe Community Centre**

Present:

Board members: Louise Aronoff, Elizabeth Ballard, Bob Brocklebank, Dan Chook Reid, June Creelman (proxy for Rochelle Handleman), Joan Forbes, Angela Keller-Herzog, Carolyn Mackenzie, Carol MacLeod, Brenda Perras (proxy for Jennifer Humphries), Bill Price, Laura Smith (proxy for Sam Harris), Sarah Viehbeck

Others: Annalise, Christine McAllister, Vaughn Guy

Regrets:

Sue Stefko

DEVELOPMENT AT BANK AND FIFTH

Carolyn reported on the June 26, 2018 City Planning Committee meeting. The development was approved by the committee, and it is expected that it will be approved by City Council as well. There is no further action with respect to Bank and Fifth planned at this point; an appeal is not recommended. Carole added that construction is likely to begin in September 2019.

The board discussed future engagement with the City on a community development plan. There is a working group that will consider the general process and specifics as they relate to the Glebe. Board members suggested that roles and responsibilities with the City be clarified.

Action item: The working group's ideas with respect to the community development plan will be presented to the GCA in future.

Action item: The Planning Committee will consider how pertinent information about the development could be communicated to the community.

AGENDA AND MINUTES

The agenda was approved as presented (moved by Carole, seconded by Bill). The minutes were amended to clarify that motion 6 specified that the GCA contribute *up to* \$6,281.15. They were approved as amended (moved by June Creelman, seconded by Louise Aronoff).

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Sarah thanked those involved with the AGM, particularly Nini, June, Sylvie, Bob, Carole and Bruce. She advised that David Chernushenko will be away as of mid-July, but that his staff will be available. There were few noise complaints associated with the Escapade music festival at Lansdowne Park, but there were some public health concerns (e.g., overdoses, drunken behaviour). Finally, Sarah thanked Vaughn for his years of service to the Board.

COMMENTS / ISSUES FROM COMMUNITY

Elizabeth stated that speed limit signs have not yet been installed on Patterson Avenue. The committee expressed a desire to know what traffic calming tools are most effective.

Action items: The Traffic Committee will investigate why speed limit signs have not yet been installed on Patterson Avenue. The Traffic Committee will also look into the effectiveness of different traffic calming measures.

The Board discussed transferring the role of Treasurer as soon as possible, particularly with respect to signing authority. In the interim, the Board agreed that Vaughn would continue to have signing authority.

Action items: Vaughn and Sylvie will meet soon to arrange the transfer of signing authority. Carole and Vaughn will discuss deposits to ensure that they can continue.

MOTIONS

Motion 1: Budget for all candidates debate

Whereas the GCA has traditionally organized all-candidate meetings for federal, provincial and municipal elections; and,

Whereas community members expect the GCA to organize these meetings so they can hear directly from candidates who wish to represent them,

Be it resolved that:

- the GCA organize an all-candidates meeting for the October 22 municipal election, either on its own or in collaboration with other community associations within the ward.
- the GCA authorize a budget of up to \$500 to cover expenses for this meeting.

Discussion: Carole has already engaged contacts in Ottawa South and Ottawa East about arranging an all candidates debate prior to the municipal election.

(June Creelman / Louise Aronoff)

Carried

Motion 2: Crossing guard at Fifth and Bank

Whereas the GCA advocates to create a more liveable urban neighbourhood;
Whereas community safety is a key component to this aim and school crossing guards are one approach to support safe walks to school for our neighbourhood children; and,
Whereas traffic at Bank and Fifth is an identified concern to many parents at Mutchmor School who have been advocating for a crossing guard at that intersect for sometime,

Be it resolved that:

- the GCA join community advocacy efforts to request a crossing guard put in place at the corner of Bank and Fifth by sending a letter of support to the City, Capital Ward Councillor, School Board and/or other relevant parties. The increased heavy truck and construction traffic at the corner of Bank and Fifth due to developments ongoing or planned at that corner will be mentioned as part of the argument for this request and its acceleration for the 2018-19 school year. The GCA will also request that the City adopt the new set of standards published by the Ontario Traffic Council published in May 2017.

Discussion: June chaired the discussion and Sarah presented a joint motion of the Health and Social Services, Transportation, and Education committees.

(Sarah Viehbeck / Dan Chook Reid)

Carried

Motion 3: A vote of thanks for Yasir Naqvi

Whereas Yasir Naqvi served as the Member of Provincial Parliament for Ottawa Centre for over 10 years and served the Glebe and the GCA well during his time in office,

Be it resolved that the GCA expresses thanks for Yasir Naqvi's service to our community.

Discussion: Elizabeth presented the motion.

(Brenda Perras / Elizabeth Ballard)

Carried

Action items: The GCA will send a letter of thanks to Yasir Naqvi. Sarah will also thank him in the next GCA article in the Glebe Report.

Motion 4: A vote of thanks for Vaughn Guy

Whereas Vaughn Guy served as Treasurer of the GCA for several years and volunteered many hours in service to the community,

Be it resolved that the GCA expresses thanks for Vaughn Guy's years of service as Treasurer of the GCA.

Discussion: June thanked Vaughn for his many years of service to the GCA. Vaughn said that he had enjoyed the role and looks forward to being involved in a different capacity. Angela and Sarah presented Vaughn with a small token of the GCA's appreciation.

(Angela Keller-Herzog / Carole MacLeod)

Carried

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Angela presented a brief report on the work of the Environment Committee. The committee is planning to conduct a consultation in July on waste and plastics. The project with Algonquin College is proceeding well. The committee has also filed a grant application to the Community Energy Innovation Fund for windows for the Glebe Community Centre; the results of this application should be known in July.

Discussion with the City is ongoing with respect to a contract for funds to cover the facility rental for Old Home Earth Day.

Motion 5: Authorization to accept funds

Whereas conversations with the City of Ottawa are ongoing with respect to funds to cover the facility rental for Old Home Earth Day,

Be it resolved that Angela Keller-Herzog, as a director of the GCA, be authorized to accept funds given to the GCA from the City of Ottawa for the purposes of the facility rental for the 2018 Old Home Earth Day event.

(Elizabeth Ballard / Louise Aronoff)

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.