

**Meeting of the Carleton Heights and Area Residents Association (CHARA)
May 28, 2019 6:30 pm**

Attendees: Mike Mack, President, Noel Sabbagh, Director, Yvele Paquette, Secretary, Darren Dicks, Director, Jody Sunstrum, Director, Anthony Chiarello, from the office of Councillor Riley Brockington, Susan Baker, Jane Lund, Li XIAOBO, Guo Zhemin, Ranjeet Nanner, Gail Denton, Judy Staniulis, Tim Patterson
Regrets: Adam Martin, Treasurer, Elizabeth Anderson, Vice President,

Yvele called the meeting to order.

Introductions were made.

The agenda was approved, moved by Darren and seconded by Noel. (Only the order of the items was changed).

Mr. Anthony Chiarello kindly provided the councilor's updates. His email containing full details can be found at the end of this document. Subjects covered are:

- Permanent installation of the Reflection of Greece sign blades along Prince of Wales
- Hogs Back Bridge Meeting overview
- Road Resurfacing Timelines for Dynes and PoW
- Rental Housing Regulatory Review
- Public meeting on the Claymor and Senio water infrastructure renewal
- Strawberry Social, Thursday June 6 1:30-3:30pm *Hunt Club, Riverside Park Community Centre, (HCRPCC) Please RSVP with Mr. Chiarello - **SOLD OUT***
- Inventory of Poor Sidewalk Conditions

Website

Tim Patterson has 2 students available to create a new website for CHARA. The platform suggested is called Wix. It is rated as the easiest to use to build a site. Yvele will collaborate with Tim after receiving suggestions for the layout, required links, etc. This step is required in order to come up with the costs and payment to the students. **Action: Yvele to collect suggestions from board members as soon as possible**

Spring Cleaning: we had 4 adults and 4 children attend the clean up. A fair amount of cigarette butts were picked up around the community centre. Together we picked up a few bags of garbage and leaves. One participant mentioned that signs might be helpful to share info with the community (he doesn't have Facebook). Maybe we could look into generic boards that we can write on or place posters on for different information. **Action: Mike** will store CHARA sandwich boards at his house. **Jody** will get them from previous president, Ed Chapin and deliver to Mike. The snow blower will be stored at Noel's garage.

BBQ in the park - July 9, 2019 5 to 8 p.m.

Jody provided a great outline of the event. Grill Master and Circus Delights will be there. Kids and adults will be able to check out a fire truck and police car. Councillor Brockington will be available. Various groups will have booths such as, Crime Prevention Ottawa, Girl Guide representatives, Safer Roads Ottawa and Crime Stoppers. There will be free hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. Currently 250 hotdogs and hamburgers have been ordered. But with the increase in budget that number will be increased. Total quantity is to be determined. Jody will communicate updated numbers to CHARA once she hears back from Grill Master. Jody will make corrections to the flyer and forward to the councillor's office for printing and distribution. CHARA is responsible for the costs of printing.

Jody will contact the community centre to investigate options if weather is rainy.

Yvele will woman a CHARA table along with Mike. Tim will be a floater to help out where needed. One concern is about attendance because this event is in July rather than June as for previous years. A money saving suggestion was made that local grocery stores may sponsor a BBQ in the future. (They bring and do

the BBQ as well as provide the food). We will check into this for next year. The committee appreciates the financial support from Councillor Riley's office for delivery of the brochure. The board decided to increase the funds from \$2600 to \$3000, moved by Darren and seconded by Mike.

Financial Report

The current bank account balance is \$9,742.02. There is some petty cash on hand too.

Action: Mike will look into outstanding payments from the city for the rink. As well, **Mike** will provide grant information to Adam. **Action: Jody** to provide info about the BBQ from last year. Did we have any revenues from it?

Annual General Meeting (AGM) June 25, 6:30 pm Carleton Heights Community Centre

Action: Mike will provide meeting minutes from last year and agenda. Elections of board members will take place. A yearend financial report will be presented. **Action: Adam.**

Courtland Park

A resident of Courtland Park presented concerns with development and student housing in her neighbourhood. She has attended and presented at numerous Committee of Adjustment hearings supported by dozens of neighbours but the "minor" variances were always approved. Landlords are getting around Rooming House designation by renting to one student, and that one student then sublets to other students. Some students are not very responsible, e.g. drinking on the roof, missing the recycle pickups and damaging the premises.

Residents of Courtland Park are very frustrated and concerned about housing and rental properties (aka sub-letting). Properties are being purchased and developed and the landscape of the area is changing significantly. Density is problematic as houses are built quite close to one another. Meeting with the adjustment committee proved to be pointless.

Residents appreciate the support received from Councillor Brockington. As per the report from Anthony, residents are encouraged to participate in the survey and workshops

The City has launched the Rental Housing Regulatory Review. This includes a dedicated web site. The City has prepared Discussion Papers on Short Term Rentals (AirBnbs), Student Housing, and Housing Conditions (including rooming houses) that are available at this site. There are also a series of workshops planned to give members of the public an opportunity to provide their input to the process.

<https://ottawa.ca/en/city-hall/public-engagement/projects/rental-accommodations-study>

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To: 'Yvele Paquette'

May 29 at 9:12 AM

Good Morning Yvele,

Below are my notes from last night's CHARA meeting.

Sincerely,

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1. Permanent installation of the Reflection of Greece sign blades along Prince of Wales
Previous Council authorized pilot project 2016, 2017, 2018
Designed by Hellenic Church. All costs paid for by the Hellenic Church, not taxpayers
Councillor plans on moving a motion on June 12 for Council debate on June 26.
Councillor requests CHARA consider a motion supporting the permanent installation of Reflections
of Greece sign blades on PoW between Hog's Back/Meadowlands and Baseline.

2. Hogs Back Bridge Meeting overview and notes.
Noted the timelines of the project.
Highlighted some of the issues raised from the meeting

- Closing the bridges in sequence rather than concurrently. Wanted to keep access to Colonel By open at one end at all times to relieve traffic pressure and provide access to Carleton U
 - Heron Road transit lane to be extended to allow right turning vehicles to enter the lane earlier and relieve some of the queue
 - Double left from Heron to PoW
 - Double left from Baseline to Fisher similar to last year
 - Continuous double lane southbound on Fisher on the shoulder – staff looking into

 - Meadowlands/HogsBack/PoW traffic light timing needs to be reconfigured to allow more time for left hand northbound traffic accessing PoW from Meadowlands.

 - Potential lane reconfiguration should be looked at while the swing bridge construction is happening as there will be significantly less westbound traffic coming from Hog's Back Road and eastbound traffic moving through to Hog's Back Road.

 - Please share any suggestions you may have and we will ask traffic to review
 - Mailing list started to provide updates to community. If anyone wants to be added to mailing list please contact our office.
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3. Road Resurfacing Timelines for Dynes and PoW

- a. Contractor is supposed to mobilize to the site the first week of June. All works including iron work, landscaping, final paving, and deficiency corrections should be completed by the end of July.
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4. Rental Housing Regulatory Review

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 - We encourage members to get involved in the review.
 - If you require any other information I am happy to send to you via email.
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5. Inventory of Poor Sidewalk Conditions

The Councillor is developing a list of sidewalks that are in a poor condition. If you are aware of any, particularly the exact location, please let the Councillor know.

6. Public meeting on the Claymor and Senio water infrastructure renewal is being planned for this fall. Staff are currently undertaking the scope of work to provide recommendations to the consultant which will inform the preliminary design of the work. Significant planning, designing, and budgeting is needed to undertake this infrastructure project.

7. Strawberry Social, Thursday June 6, 1:30-3:30pm, HCRPCC, RSVP our office. All are invited.

8. Andrea in our office working on the distribution of the AGM and community BBQ flyers with the association.
