

Champlain Park Community Association

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday Feb 1, 2022, 7 pm
Virtual Meeting by Zoom

Minutes

Chair: Nick Xenos

Approximately 33 people attended the meeting.

Guest Speaker: David Wise, City of Ottawa, Planner and Program Manager, Zoning Unit (see file *A1 - New OP-Zoning Presentation Deck_Rev1*)

David explained that this Official Plan is more prescriptive than earlier plans, it's a brand-new plan, meant to apply for 25 years; Ottawa expects to grow to 1.4M people in the next 25 years; the plan has been approved by council, now waiting for Ministry approval.

In answer to questions David said:

Driveways: are the greatest threat to trees, driveway width is regulated, impermeable space is limited, consolidated driveways should be built if a lot is severed.

Future of R1: 70% of city is R1, this is not effective, hard choices needed, R1 and R2 take up large space, will be looked at; 60-80 units per hectare is objective vs the 15 units per hectare now in R1.

Recreation: there is an approved Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Financial Report from CPCA Finance Committee: Dave Harding (see file *A2 - 2020-21 Financial Report*)

Dave went through the report and mentioned that there has been no revenue from memberships or fieldhouse rentals therefore expenses were \$1,000 approximately more than revenue. For next year he also predicts a shortfall of about \$2,700, have a buffer in the bank account for 2021-22 expenses.

Election of Board for 2022: Nick Xenos

Nick recognized the time and experience of Daniel, Roland, Adrian, Dan, Ian, and thanked them for their efforts and contribution.

The slate of candidates listed below was moved by Roland Dorsay, seconded by Dave Harding, unanimously approved.

Executive Officers

Co-Chair	Lynne Bankier	<u>champlainpark@gmail.com</u>
Co-Chair	Heather Pearl	<u>hptek20@teksavvy.com</u>
Vice-chair	Vacant	
Secretary	Liz Gyalokay	<u>champlainpark@gmail.com</u>
Treasurer	Dave Harding	<u>champlainpark@gmail.com</u>

Board Members

FCA Representative	Richard Lohead	<u>rlohead@sympatico.ca</u>
<u>Communications</u>	Carol Arnason	<u>arnasoncarol@gmail.com</u>
<u>Environment</u>	Kris Phillips	<u>kriscpca@gmail.com</u>
<u>Fieldhouse</u>	Laurie Fagan	<u>lauriefagan59@gmail.com</u>
Membership	Jennie Hornosty	<u>Jennie.Hornosty@gmail.com</u>
<u>Planning and Zoning</u>	Heather Pearl	<u>hptek20@teksavvy.com</u>
<u>Social Convenor</u>	Nick Xenos	<u>chparkevents@yahoo.com</u>
Member at Large	Michael Cheng	<u>cheng12@sympatico.ca</u>
Member at Large	Josh Bizjak	<u>tjbizjak@gmail.com</u>
Member at Large	Vacant	

Report from City Councillor: Jeff Leiper

Jeff reviewed the ongoing and planned work of council, there will be a municipal election in October, he mentioned the status of various City initiatives e.g. the transportation master plan, the solid waste master plan, recreation facilities for intensified neighbourhoods, inclusionary zoning, gentrification of Kitchissippi (a wonderful place to live but becoming unaffordable), increased Green Space plan, the Tunney's Pasture plan which will include affordable housing, the Ottawa night life strategy, the parks plan, the connection of ski trails across the city, and the need for more outdoor space due to the pandemic.

In answer to questions Jeff said:

Pandemic: The impact of the pandemic and the move to working from home will be studied in the next few years but it is premature to predict the impact of the unused office space situation.

Recreation: There is uncertainty about where land might be available for more recreation facilities; it will be difficult to buy it because of prices in Kitchissippi Ward; a source is existing federal land like Tunney's Pasture or the CBC building; the city has said that an indoor gym is needed at Tunney's Pasture.

Water supply: We use about 1/3 of our total capacity; either water plant can supply the entire city; not necessary to build a new water treatment plan; the infrastructure master plan will look at that for 2046.

Who takes the lead on affordable housing in Tunney's Pasture? Tunney's Pasture will be zoned by the city and the federal government will probably require some amount of affordable / not for profit housing as it's their land.

Business Items:

1. Approval of minutes of previous AGM 27 Jan 2021 - Liz Gyalokay (see file B1 - CPCA AGM Minutes 20210127 DRAFT)

Motion to adopt the minutes was moved by Roland Dorsay, seconded by Heather Pearl, approved unanimously.

2. Reports from the 20-21 Board

- a. Planning and Zoning – Heather Pearl (see files B2a1 Planning and Zoning Report 2022, B2a2 CPCA OP Submission to PCARAC 211014)

Heather reviewed her reports. Heather recognized Amy Kempster's contribution to the community and expressed condolences to her family.

- b. Environment – Kris Phillips (see file B2b Environment Committee Recap)

Kris thanked those who worked on environment projects.

c. Rink Update - Dan Wilcock

Dan said that temperatures have been great for making ice, there is good volunteer turnout, and a great level of interest, the limits on skaters are now removed, the maintenance contract with the City ends this year, for continuity Dan recommended that CPCA write a letter commending Matt's work and suggesting that the City award the contract to him for next year.

Dan stated that he is looking for someone to take over his activities regarding the Ottawa River; he has a water quality test kit available for the next person.

d. Communications: Carol Arnason

Carol said that the Communications Committee has an enthusiastic group of members; Adrian Bradley provides technical advice; she urged people to subscribe to the Champlain Park website; the Champlain Speaker is published 3 x per year.

e. Membership – Jennie Hornosty

This year the membership drive was online; membership fees can be submitted directly to the Treasurer, but few people did so, i.e., 10% of households joined as compared to previous years. Jennie is optimistic that we can have a door to door drive this year, and urged people to get involved.

f. Social – Nick Xenos

Social events held were: the Halloween and holiday decorating contests, the holiday auction raised \$800 for the Parkdale food centre, annual chess tournament, hockey and baseball pools are ongoing, Nick is optimistic that normal social events can resume this year.

g. Civic Engagement - Roland Dorsay

Roland mentioned the need to engage with each other and urged people to come to monthly CPCA board meetings.

The new crosswalk at Island Park and Clearview is in operation, some drivers are ignoring it, so pedestrians should be careful; the Tunney's Pasture master plan is for a big development over the next 25 years, will be a sustainable mixed use community, possibly a gym, more green space, access to river, commercial space will be on Yarrow Drive, there will be a pathway between Northwestern and Tunney's Pasture, there will likely be an increase in traffic in Champlain Park, see NeighboursforTunneys.ca for more information.

General Questions:

Laurie: suggested looking at September for membership drive.

Richard: suggested having a one-pager with community achievements for promotion during the membership drive.

Laurie: The current city requirements for cleaning and for contact tracing are too onerous for volunteers so it is impossible to open the fieldhouse for our usual operations; Laurie will contact Jeff to discuss.

Nick: Need for benches in the park; Nick will contact Jeff to discuss how Jeff can help.

3. Call for volunteers – Lynne Bankier

Lynne thanked people who are staying on the board: Heather, Nick, Liz, Laurie, Jennie, Dave, Carol, and key communications volunteers Kelly, Alex. She encouraged volunteers to get involved and suggested that attending CPCA virtual Board meetings is a good introduction; we specifically need someone for the risk management committee who can read contracts and advise on them.

4. Other Business

There was none.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 pm.