Sir John's Homestead Ratepayer Association Inc. MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2018

AGENDA

1.	Welcome & Introductions	Keith Salt
2.	Activity Reports	
	a) President's 2017 report	Keith Salt
	b) Green Spaces & Clean up	

c) other
d) 2017 AGM Minute Approval
Keith Salt
Treasurer's Report
Axel Breuer
2018-2019 Membership Drive
Craig Finlayson
Election of new Directors
Keith Salt

6. Message from Councilor Matthew Mahoney

(and others)
7. Question & Answer

8. General Discussion

9. Adjournment

1. Welcome & Introductions

Keith Salt

Keith Salt welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. There were 33 members present – five (5) Board Members and 28 General Members (including the presenters), thus meeting our quorum requirements.

Keith reviewed the agenda. The agenda, as noted above was adopted as presented.

2. Activity Reports

a) President's 2017 / 2018 Report

Keith commented on our great membership participation rate. The Board enrolled 101 homes in the neighbourhood, which reflects a 75 percent participation rate.

b) Green Spaces & Clean Up Keith Salt

Keith reported on the clean-up and planting and plotting new flowers and shrubs in the playground area.

c) Other Keith Salt

The following was presented to those in attendance by K Salt.

Comments were provided regarding the student rental homes with a possibility of seven to eight in our neighbourhood. The membership was encouraged to be watchful and inform the Board of home sales and changes to occupancy.

Regarding the MIRANET (Mississauga Residents' Association Network) organization, it was noted that it appears to have been less active as in past years. The SJHRA is currently a member of MIRANET and will consider membership from year to year.

The Entrance Gardens and City involvement with maintenance was presented to those in attendance. It has been generally considered that the gardens could use more frequent attention. It is the City's responsibility to prune shrubs and carry out general upkeep. Recently, the contractor responsible for the gardens was reminded to ensure that the area was not neglected.

The park benches (with plaques) have been upgraded recently with better wood, inset plaques and arm rests.

A "Facebook Group" page has been set up by a couple of our residents, which all are encouraged to join. If there is interest in belonging to this Facebook group, contact any Board member and an email link will be sent to you – this can be especially of interest if membership is interested in being kept in the loop with all neighbourhood activities.

A reminder in the form of an email will be sent out to the members reminding them that their leaves should not be placed on the road, but on the boulevard.

A late spring or early summer neighbourhood BBQ is being considered in 2019. More details will be provided later.

d) Approval of 2017 AGM Minutes Keith Salt

The 2017 AGM minutes were circulated via email to all SJHRA members and has been posted on the SJHRA website. A motion to approve the minutes as circulated was moved by Keith Salt and seconded by Alina Zogala. Carried.

3. Treasurers Report Axel Breuer

Axel reviewed our financial position and provided details of the year's expenditures. We have 101 households as "members" with one household that paid for two years, explaining that our membership budget was \$2,070.00. The usual operating costs were paid out, \$200 donation to the Grange. We were not able to obtain a discount for the website this year, there were no legal fees. Closing balance as of August 31, 2018 is \$7,344.46. Our goal is not to have a big cash fund/reserve, however in the event we need to secure a lawyer for rooming house issues, funds are available.

A motion was provided by Axel Breuer and seconded by Lorne McDonald to approve the financial statements Carried.

4. 2017-2018 Membership Drive

Craig Finlayson

It was noted by Craig Finlayson that there were 101 homes that renewed for 2018/2019, and one home had paid for two years, making 102 membership households. If you have not renewed for 2018/2019, dues can be paid this evening at the meeting or in the near future, Board Members will be visiting to encourage homes to belong to the Association. If contact is not made, for some reason, a sign-up sheet located on the SJHRA website can be printed, filled in and dropped off at either 3248 SJH or 1760 Solitaire Court.

It is considered that the membership fee will remain at \$20.00 per household.

It was moved by Craig Finlayson and seconded by Rob Darlington to set the fees for the upcoming year at \$20 per household

The motion was carried.

5. Election of New Directors

Keith Salt

The following was presented by Keith Salt related to the Board of directors.

There is a need for more Directors to join the Board and a request was put forward to those in attendance. No volunteers came forward during AGM.

Due to other commitments, Keith has considered that he will be resign at the end of the year, December 2018

Due to the focus on spring / summer / fall activities, consideration has been given to meeting less frequently, i.e. not every month.

A motion was presented by Keith and seconded by Kaila Sugeng to accept the slate of six candidates.

Keith Salt (President)
Tom Zakrzewski (Vice President)
Axel Breuer (Treasurer)
Craig Finlayson (Membership)
Keith Salt (Gardening)
Alina Zogala (Past President)

Carried

6. Message from Matthew Mahoney – Ward 8 Councillor and others

The guests were introduced by Keith Salt,

Matthew Mahoney, Ward 8 (City of Mississauga Councilor);
Nigel Robinson - Inspections and Enforcement (City of Mississauga);

Tim Gallagher - Manager Zoning and Zoning Administrator (City of Mississauga);
Mike Keter - Municipal Law enforcement officer, Compliance & Licensing (City of Mississauga);
Jim Fowler- Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, Compliance & Licensing (City of Mississauga);
Constable Taryn Hill # 3254 Community Liaison Officer Division 11 (Peel Police);
Mark Overton- Dean of Student Affairs (UTM);
Andrew Stelmacovich - Executive Director of Advancement (UTM);
Paul Farrant- Captain, Fire Prevention (City of Mississauga Fire Department).

Councillor Matt Mahoney

- Commented on the Canker Worm issue and has become a bigger issue in the King Forest, Sir John Homestead and Sawmill valley areas. It was considered that the Cancer Worm was more frequent in these areas than other areas in Mississauga. There were questions about returning to carry out additional Aerial Spraying. It was noted that the Aerial spray was in the early morning hours ~ 5:00 a.m. This was due to light traffic at that time. Police closed off streets in the areas of spraying.

Matt commented on the condition of the walking / bicycle pathways and parks and they are working on rectifying these areas. They will tend to the areas that are a safety concern first. It was noted that recent work had been carried out to the north of SJH, i.e. trimming back shrubbery to create better sight lines and posting more signage to caution all to the bicycle / pedestrian presence.

Mark Overton

- Commented on how they are trying to prevent the student housing issue outside of their campus by erecting a new building for students. They plan to have 14, 880 students over the next 10 years. They have done renovations to the existing residence to accommodate double occupancy.
- -2,000 beds increase with the new changes. Their plan is to intensify and build up.
- The population projection will go down
- 20-25% of the students at UTM are international

Mike Keter

- Commented that there were 45 complaints in this area for student lodging houses.
- Fire departments goals is to ensure safety. Mike also spoke about the difficulty in proving student houses are present and the process that they need to go through to take action.
- Mississauga Fire Department launched a program in 2018 about safety homes to ensure basement apartments are registered.
- There are no registered lodges houses in Mississauga

Constable Taryn Hill

 Taryn commented that based on her information, our area is a great neighbourhood with no known issues. She also added that if we have any issues, such as parking or speeding, etc. to contact Taryn at Division 11

7 & 8. - Question & Answer / General Discussion

Speeding down Redstart has been a concern. - Signage, speed bumps have been spoken of, but nothing actioned at this time.

- Numerous questions were asked and answered during the presentations of the individuals above.

9. Adjournment - everybody was welcomed to coffee, tea and cookies.

At 9:16 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Keith Salt and seconded by Alina Zogala. Carried.

