

SIR JOHN'S HOMESTEAD RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, October 29th, 2024

Time: ~ 7:30 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Location: The Grange, 1921 Dundas Street West, Mississauga, ON

Attendees: Sir Johns Homestead Ratepayers Association Inc.(SJHRA) Board - Keith Salt, Axel Breuer, Kaila Sugeng, Anita Cianciolo, Carollene Sum, 19 SJHRA Ratepayers Association residents and 4 guests from City of Mississauga (City) and 2 guests from University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM).

Regrets: Rob Darlington, Liza Alexander

- 1) The SJHRA Annual General Meeting (AGM) was called to order at 7:38 p.m. by Keith Salt, SJHRA President
- 2) The meeting was opened with a Land Acknowledgement
- 3) Keith presented the agenda and introduced City, UTM guests followed by the introduction of the Board members.

The community were informed that the following motions would be made and would require a vote by the SJHRA members to be adopted.

- 2023 AGM Minutes
 - Financial Reports
 - Election of Board member slate for 2024 / 2025
 - Adjournment
- 4) The President's Report highlighted some community events and accomplishments:
 - For the current year, 63% of our neighbourhood homes are members of the SJHRA. This translates to 83 homes signed up SJHRA members. This is a good representation of SJHRA households.
 - Kaila Sugeng (Secretary) and Axel Breuer (Treasurer) will be resigning from the Board after the AGM after many years of service. Joining the board for 2024-2025 will be Anita Cianciolo as the Secretary and Carollene Sum as our Treasurer. Liza Alexander is still helping out remotely and, on an ad-hoc basis.
 - A description of the Community Group Registry Program (CORA) was provided. The members were informed that the Directors and Officers Trisura Insurance Policy (affiliated with the City of Mississauga) was in place and at a good rate. A summary of CORA involvement was provided to the members.

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- A summary of student housing highlighted that there are approximately 8 student rentals in the neighbourhood. It was emphasized that these student rentals are NOT lodging houses as the definitions are different. The Board does receive feedback from the community on these rental homes. This helps the Board monitor the student rental homes for any issues.
 - SJHRA hosts the following annual events; Earth Day Clean and Gardening Day, Social Day. Our Social event, aka Ice Cream Day, was a success. Jayme Gaspar from Heritage Mississauga has been very accommodating by offering use of the Grange and organizing crafts for the younger community event attendees.
 - The stone entrance wall at the east side of Redstart and Dundas has been repaired with a minor stone cap repair pending at the east end.
 - It was noted by residents that the St. Jean Baptiste school announcements were broadcast over their exterior speakers. The School Board management was contacted, and the issue was resolved by turning off the exterior speakers.
- 5) The Draft October 2023 AGM Meeting Minutes were posted on our website for member review. A motion to approve the 2023 AGM minutes was made (Keith) and seconded (Kaila). The motion was approved.
- 6) The following provides a summary of the communication tools used by the SJHRA.

The SJHRA Facebook page has been a good way to communicate information, key dates and activities and for sharing neighbourhood concerns, i.e. coyote spotting, snow removal etc. Our thanks to the Facebook page hosts who keep it updated. However, it appears that some businesses have been trying to advertise on our Facebook page by providing a false SJHR address. Although this has been monitored, it is difficult to confirm before a contact invite is accepted.

SJHRA Website; <http://www.sirjohnshomestead.com/> provide a good overview of our neighborhood activities.

It was mentioned that we are always looking for ways to enhance the website, so please share any ideas or suggestions.

- 7) Membership:
- The members were informed that canvassing will not be carried out by Door- to Door visits this year with the exception of calling on the new neighbours that have moved in over the course of the past year and for whom we do not have emails.
 - Membership fee remains \$20 per household
 - It was noted that the Association maintains some funds for legal consultation if ever required.

8) Financial Statements

Axel Breuer (Treasurer) presented the financial statements for 2024.

The 2022-2023 membership was at 91 which is somewhat higher than this year's total of 83

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households. The Board believes that this may be related to turnover in our neighbourhood, and as we are no longer canvassing, we may have not connected with new residents.

The financial statements were reviewed. The Treasurer mentioned that the budget and minutes are signed off by the board as well as submitted to the CORA.

The proposed 2024-2025 budget assumptions were reviewed.

- It is assumed that fees will be received from 85 households for 2024-2025
- It is anticipated that SJHRA account will hold less than \$10,000 which means that an expense for monthly banking fees will be incurred.
- A current account balance is \$10, 220.57 after a \$100 donation is sent to the Heritage Mississauga (the Grange).

Axel then provided a heartfelt goodbye speech as he resigned from the Board after the AGM.

A motion to accept the budget was made (Axel) and seconded (Alina). The motion was approved and the financial budget was approved.

9) Candidate slate proposed for 2024 / 2025

- Keith Salt- President
- Rob Darlington- Vice President
- Anita Cianciolo - Secretary
- Carollene Sum- Treasurer
- Liza Alexander – Marketing as needed
- Membership –board member will be published after the AGM
- Gardening – Keith Salt

Kaila Sugeng- Secretary – has resigned after 11 years of service on the board.

Axel Breuer – Treasurer- has resigned after 9 years of service on the board.

A motion to approve the new Directors for 2024 - 2025 (Keith) was made and seconded (Kaila) and the Directors were approved.

10) University of Toronto, Mississauga report

Amanda Paulter, Director of External Relations, University of Toronto, Mississauga (UTM) was introduced and invited to present updates from UTM as well as to answer questions from the neighbourhood. Dimitra Tsaltpouris, UTM was also in attendance.

Highlights from Amanda's presentation. The PPT deck will be shared:

- Changing the entrance at UTM due to the traffic
- Amanda will provide some data on international growth for the public system

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- On campus student enrollment is 16,200 This number has been relatively stable with growth at 2% each year.
- U of T remains one of the top universities in Canada
- UTM student housing will soon be increased by 400 beds with new on-site building
- The office of Indigenous Initiatives (OII) at UTM commits to Truth and Reconciliation which guides UTM's efforts in amplifying indigenous voices and placekeeping on campus. In addition, campus faculty and staff may consult the OII for help with Indigeneity integration. Indigenous student services are also available.

Constable Rowena Pryce (Peel Community Service Officer) was invited but was unable to attend. A follow-up plan will be put in place to hear/share police statistics for our neighbourhood.

11) Matt Mahoney Councilor Ward 8 / Deputy Mayor and City of Mississauga Staff

City guests were as follows;

- Matt Mahoney- Councilor Ward 8 / Deputy Mayor
- Scott Dalzell- Division Chief, Fire Prevention & Risk Reduction
- Chris Harding- Municipal Law Enforcement Officer-CPS Compliance & Lic Enforcement South
- Nathaniel McLaren – Manager, Compliance and Licensing enforcement

Summary notes for Matt Mahoney's presentation and responses to questions from the community:

- Councilor Mahoney discussed the re-vamp for Sheridan Mall. Dunpar, (the developer) is re-imagining the mall. It will be a mixed community that will offer a variety of activities such as Pickle Ball courts along with low rise residences etc.
- Transits hubs will most likely happen as a long-term project. LRTs are another item that is in negotiations right now.
- E-bikes and scooters that have been observed recently around the city is a Micro mobility project. It is a year-long pilot project for the city of Mississauga which has no financial impact to the City. It is a concern since the e-bikes and scooters generally are not operated or parked in a safe manner. The city will evaluate the pilot program with the possibility that it may not continue through the winter months
- The subject of washouts on Sawmill Valley Trail and along the Credit River north of Dundas St was discussed. High rainfall caused major floods throughout Mississauga and various trails were washed out. Repairs were made after a first major rainfall event occurred but an unanticipated second major rainfall had a similar detrimental effect on the trails. Presently, the City together with the Credit River Conservation Authority is

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considering better remedial plans.

- A member of the community had mentioned that the Glen Erin Trail (North of the SJH neighbourhood) is steep and perhaps rumble strips should be added to slow down bicycles descending the hill. An email will be sent to the Councilor by a resident to discuss this further.
- With respect to Airbnb's, Councilor Mahoney also stated that one home was fined in Sherwood Forrest.
- He mentioned that its' difficult to see if a home is for student housing due to the fact that it is hard to inspect the residence. The City needs to be invited into the home. The most common way to enter is by the Fire Department. They can access buildings without invitation.
- The City of Toronto has currently incorporated a vacant tax on houses. The City of Mississauga does not have anything in place at this time.
- The City is looking for ways to manage overnight city parking. If there is an offense, members are to call 311 and submit a request. The whole residential area will be monitored over a two-week period.
- A new bylaw has been implemented for loud mufflers. The fine went from \$115 to \$500. This is noise pollution and the City will not tolerate it. There are cameras that are in the works that can record the decibels of a vehicle and, if they do not meet the threshold, a ticket will be issued and mailed to the person.
- As for the budget of Mississauga, first responders get the biggest part of the budget.
- At the Carmel Height's site development in Sherwood Forrest, 68 single-home dwellings have been approved for development.
- The housing development project that was proposed at the southeast corner of Mississauga Rd and Dundas St. W. will not proceed.

On behalf of the Board, attendees were thanked for giving up their personal time to attend the 2024 AGM meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 p.m. by SJHRA member Gene Schuster and seconded by Ken Szeier and the motion was approved.

Minutes prepared by Kaila Sugeng