

SIR JOHN'S HOMESTEAD RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION INC.

FINAL MINUTES - 2020

Annual General Meeting – Tuesday October 13, 2020

Location: Zoom Meeting - 28 participants

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Attendees: Keith Salt, Tom Zakrzewski, Liza Alexander, Kaila Sugeng, Rob Darlington, Axel Breuer, Craig Finlayson, SJH Association residents (21)

1. Call to Order – Keith Salt

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The following information was provided by Keith.

- Rob went through the Zoom etiquette then passed it on to Keith
- Keith spoke to the SJH association with the President's Report slide
- Due to loss of events due to COVID, as a board we have donated money to the Mississauga Food Bank
- There may be around 4 or 5 student rentals in the neighbourhood, but not confirmed. We will be monitoring the area
- Keith spoke to the association about our signs and how they have been depleted. We are looking to invest into some new signage for 2021
- 72% of our neighbourhood are members of the association. Having these many members is unheard of
- Keith thanks the members for their continued support and addressed that board still meets on a monthly basis via Zoom Meetings

2. Approval of October 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes – Kaila Sugeng

Approval of minutes from the 2019 AGM on October 8, 2019. Andy, mentioned a correction from police dept traffic light was referenced in the minutes when it should have been referenced to the City. A motion to approve was forwarded by Kaila Sugeng with the one change of the traffic light. and seconded by Tom Zakrzewski, known as TAZ and all members took themselves off mute and agreed "Yes" in favour approved, with the understanding that Andy Harvey's correction be incorporated

3. Neighbourhood Connections – Liza Alexander

- Liza A. presented a summary of the neighbourhood connections slide that the Board carried out in 2020/ 2021. We now have an IG (Instagram) page that started in the summer and beautiful painted rocks were posted on it.

- Liza addressed that all of our communication of events will be posted on our FB page. Liza also mentioned that she is always looking for beautiful pictures of the neighbourhood. FB is an excellent tool to keep up with SJHRA communications

Action: Liza will add a section of the IG and the rocks in the next newsletter.

4. Membership Report – Craig Finlayson

- Craig F. indicated that there are two options to pay dues for the 2020/ 2021 year.
 - 1) Instructions on website on e-transfers
 - 2) Cheque/cash drop off at 3248 SJH or 1760 Solitaire
- Due to COVID-19, we will not be “door to door” canvassing this year.

5. Financial Report – Axel Breuer

- Axel B. presented the financial statements, providing a summary of income vs. expenses for 2019 / 2020.. Generally, the major expenses were incurred for insurance, website, Donation to the Grange and donation to the Mississauga Food Bank.
- Currently we hold a cash balance of \$8,604.56 as of August 31st, 2020
- A motion was put forward to adopt the 2019/ 2020 statements by Axel, seconded by Rob Darlington, all members took themselves off mute and agreed “Yes” in favour approved.
- Budget opens up \$8,604.56 for 2020/2021 year and membership fees will stay the same.
- Axel mentioned that the budget item of \$500 will go towards new signage in 2021
- The board will reassess the donations for 2021
- A motion was put forward for the 2020/2021 budget by Axel Breuer and seconded by Rob Darlington. All members took themselves off mute and agreed “Yes” in favour approved.

6. Slate for Board of Directors – Keith Salt

- It was noted that Colleen Close has resigned from the Board
- A motion was put forward to accept the Board of Directors slate as provided at the AGM 2020 by Liza Alexander and seconded by Craig Finlayson, All members took themselves off mute and agreed “Yes” in favour approved.

- **The Board of Directors October (2020 to October 2021)**

Keith Salt – President & Gardening

Tom Zakrzewski – Vice President

Kaila Sugeng – Secretary

Axel Breuer – Treasurer

Craig Finlayson – Membership

Liza Alexander – Marketing

Rob Darlington – Member at Large

- Keith addressed that in the past we have always asked at the AGM for new members to join the Board.. If members wish to join, please reach out to one of the Board members
- A special Thanks to Colleen Close was called out

7. Welcoming Guests – Keith Salt- 8:03 pm

Keith introduced and welcomed Matt Mahoney to our AGM.

Matt Mahoney – Councillor Ward 8

Colin Patterson – Supervisor, Road Safety

Tim Gallagher – Manager, Zoning and Zoning Administrator

Jim Fowler – Municipal Law Enforcement officer, Compliance & Licensing enforcement

Ted Rocki - Captain, Fire Prevention

Nigel Robinson - Division Chief - Inspections and Enforcement

The following was presented by Matt as an open forum to all attendees.

- Matt introduced the City attendees (as noted above)
- Keith provided Matt with key questions ahead of the AGM
 - 1) Student Housing
 - 2) Break ins
 - 3) Speeding
 - 4) New developments (Erindale Village)
 - 5) Carmel Heights

Student Housing

- Matt mentioned student housing statistics has dropped since COVID (less international students), as he just attended a meeting with the UTM Dean. In addition, UTM will be increasing 400 new housing spots on the UTM property
- Matt addressed that there needs to be clear and better communication between the City , Associations and UTM
- Matt had also spoke about student housing has been an ongoing battle in communities for a long time and that renting your home is not illegal. On the other hand Rooming houses are illegal (ie. Locks on each bedroom door).
- Nigel - had addressed several factors that they use as benchmarks to investigate. It is a serious matter to barge into somebody's home. In most cases the Fire Department has only access to enter homes that are believed to be student rooming homes.
- John Hutchinson asked questions to Matt about the current status of (refer to his notes)

Action item: Matt Mahoney is to provide statistics to the board and to Jon Hutchinson

- There has been conflicting information about the property at 3048 SJH. Some confusion around a false wall being built to cover up things. Ryan Russell apparently entered the premises. Tom from our Board claims that the house has been vacant since May 2020
- Action item: Matt will follow up on 3048 SJMatt also addressed that there was motion put in place to allow easier access to homes that are believed to be rooming houses.

Break ins

- Matt addressed that there have been break in's especially in cars. It appears to be younger people stealing change, or whatever they can get. Matt mentioned to deter the criminals by locking car doors etc.
- Break in's are common occurrences

Speeding

- Matt addressed that speeding limits in residential areas have been reduced. The city is in the process of changing the signs. New speed limit is 40 mph in residential zones and 30 mph in school zones
- Photo radar has also been implemented through some points in the city.

Action: Liza- to add the new speed limits in the newsletter. Matt had mentioned that this is a good way to communicate it.

- Liza had mentioned putting a stop sign on SJH and Solitaire Ct. (at the bend).

Action: Liza to send Matt Mahoney an email re-visiting the stop sign situation

- Liza has mentioned the coyotes in the neighbourhood. According to Matt it may be a good idea to invite animal services to the next AGM.
- According to Matt there have been no instances of coyote attacks on people

New Developments- Erindale Village

- It falls under Ward 7 but still borders Ward 8. Council did turn down the plans and it went to provincial court. The development is still in the process and no decision has been made as of yet

Carmel Heights

- Matt supports the Convent. New development zoned for a seniors home and senior rentals. Still waiting on results of the 200 plus senior homes.
- Sherwood Forrest is not pleased about the development due to the increase of traffic.
- They want to open up access from Dundas (old delivery road that has been closed off).

Sheridan Mall

- Had been purchased and will be developed into a boutique stores and restaurants.

Collegeway Cycling Infrastructure

- Status was ruled against it. They are planning on doing a raised boulevard for cyclists.

8. Adjournment

It was moved by Keith Salt seconded by Tom Zakrzewski that the meeting be adjourned (Time 9:05 p.m.) and unanimously carried.

Minutes recorded and prepared by, Kaila Sugeng