



## Hunt Club Community Association

MONTHLY MEETING, 3 OCTOBER 2022

**Present:**

1. Peter Brimacombe, President
2. Peter Foulger, Vice President
3. Audrey Bélanger Baur, Treasurer-Secretary
4. Lynette Joseph-Sankey, Director
5. Matt Page, Director
6. Brian Wade, Past President
7. John Sankey, Director
8. Zane Oueja, Director
9. Sabrine Barakat, Director
10. Patrick Morton, Director
11. Cathy Bourguignon
12. Dave Coyle
13. Norman McLeod
14. Andrew Sutton, City of Ottawa (Assistant to the City Councillor)
15. Piero Narducci
16. Riley Brockington, City Councillor
17. Tania Mushka
18. Abiodun Moso
19. Christine Johnson
20. France Picard
21. Melissa MacIsaac
22. Philippa MacDonald
23. Rachel McCarthy
24. Susan McCarthy

**Regrets:** Waciira Muya, Director

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **1. Approval of the agenda**

France recommends making the agenda a link document on the website, Susan and other members of the membership agree.

Agenda is approved

### **2. Approval of September minutes**

September minutes have been posted, and include the June minutes and August special meeting minutes.

Motion: To approve the September minutes

Moved by Peter B., seconded by Peter F., unanimously carried.

### **3. Christine: Community Engagement Project w/ Carleton University**

Christine introduces the students, Rachel and Philippa, of Carleton University present at tonight's meeting. Rachel and Philippa's team consists of seven members of their class collaborating with the HCCA. The class, Introduction to Community Engagement, is taught by Deb Conners.

The students are helping the HCCA set up an Instagram account to reach a more diverse and wider audience within the HCCA neighbourhood with the ultimate goal of increasing the membership's diversity and to use technology to expand community engagement and inclusion.

The Instagram account will feature some of the HCCA's activities such as the pollinator gardens.

It is decided that the email address to be attached to the Instagram account is the HCCA's social media account: [social@hunt-club.ca](mailto:social@hunt-club.ca).

The membership is invited to provide ideas and feedback. The project proposal for the Carleton class is to be submitted this week.

John Sankey provides feedback saying "Facebook is more useful than Instagram".

Christine explains that Instagram is to attract a more diverse group of people in the community, younger members to join the HCCA. This explanation is supported by many members (including Cathy and Susan) of the membership and directors.

### **4. Fall Festival**

Peter F. presents a PowerPoint presentation with a budget summary of the Fall Festival that was held on Saturday September 17th, 2022.

In the Aug 15 meeting, the budget of \$4950 was approved based on donations and sponsors secured to that date. There was a \$1000 backstop from the HCCA in case of a shortfall, and the surplus would go to future festivals.

Background: At the start of the (smaller) Board's term, Lynette and Matt formed a committee to plan and organize the event, supported by John.

The event was very successful, mild weather, lots of activities for children, lots of support from volunteers, donors, and elected officials from all levels of government attended.

Presented Budget Summary:

- Recap of the three motions passed on August 15th, 2022.
- Donations received in cash and cheques: \$6,712.57
- Expenses: \$6,528.82
- Surplus: \$183.75
- Donations not yet received: \$1250
- Donations in kind: \$1200

Matt notes that \$1000 of the outstanding amount has just been received 10 minutes ago. Outstanding donations not yet received (\$250) are from Riley's office and there will be a delay with that.

A summary of donations received and promised was given.<sup>1</sup> Several expenses were paid to performers and artists on the day of the festival, totalling \$1406.75.<sup>2</sup> Several additional expenses were incurred by director-volunteers and need to be reimbursed.

### HCCA Fall Festival – expenses to be paid

- Reimbursement claims to be submitted with receipts to Treasurer once budget approved
- Lynette Sankey \$4,709.47 for event rentals, supplies and volunteer thankyou  
John Sankey \$99.89 for supplies  
Matthew Page \$299.16 for rental and supplies  
Jason Dube \$13.55 for advertising

Peter mentioned that once these amounts are approved, the expenses will be submitted to the treasurer for reimbursement, including receipts.

The last slide of the presentation includes a motion by Peter Foulger, seconded by Peter Brimacombe, that the expenses be approved as presented.

However, before voting, members have questions.

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<sup>1</sup> Desjardins (\$2,000); Otto's BMW (\$1,000); MGIS (\$1,000); Anonymous: (\$1,000); TD Bank (\$500); Ottawa South Liberals (\$500); Ottawa South Conservatives (\$500); Lynette Joseph-Sankey (\$250); John Sankey (\$250); Peter Brimacombe (\$250); Peter Foulger (\$250); Riley Brockington (\$250); John Fraser MPP (\$200); overpayment to an artist return to the Fall Festival (\$12.57).

<sup>2</sup> Sharpe Dolper (\$200); Maura Volante (\$200); Dianne Nahal: \$120 (\$12.57 reimbursed); G Romanchenko (\$350); Fantasy Face Painting (\$536.75).

Sabrina asks what happened with the volunteer thank you, to which Peter F. responds that “it was held the week after the festival and is included in the totals”.

Audrey clarifies that the volunteer thank you wasn’t part of the August budget and was not submitted for approval to the Board since and wonders why there is resistance to sharing the amounts spent on different items.

Patrick reiterates that he “agrees the festival was a big success. The presentation has the expense breakdowns for the performers but not the reimbursements” and asks if those are available. As he “would like to understand what [he’s] approving spending for before voting”.

Peter F. declines saying “No, the details will be provided to the treasurer once it’s approved. Lynette fronted a lot of money on these items”.

A back-and-forth discussion followed on what the procedure should be in this case. The movers for the motion believed that the presentation was sufficient for the Board to approve expenses, that all receipts would be provided to the Treasurer after that, and that organizers had put in a lot of effort and taken on a lot of expenses to ensure the success of the event. The Treasurer, other Directors, and some members, expressed that the Board should carefully follow financial procedures, and that the details on spending should be given before voting to approve because “that is the foundation of financial accountability”. There was a disagreement over whether asking for more details was nit-picking or transparency. Peter F. explains that the intent of the presentation was not to provide all the details to avoid nit-picking like “Audrey talking her mouth off all night” by seeking financial clarification. Audrey further clarifies that \$12.57 in donations are double counted and that the total donations to date are of \$6,700. There was further disagreement over correct procedures, and on where communication broke down between Board members. The Treasurer further insists that the motions passed in August allowed for incoming donations to be used for the Fall Festival, but they still had to be presented to the Board for approval for the Board to carry its oversight responsibility. “It is unreasonable to ask us to vote on a budget and receipts that we have not yet seen”.

Tania requests “that the minutes reflect that we assume good faith by organizers of the Fall Festival”.

Christine suggests an alternative motion, that once item by item expenses have been submitted to the Treasurer for the Fall Festival budget, the board of directors will have an e-vote to pass the Treasurer’s budget, within 48h of having received all receipts.

Matt moves to adopt the motion proposed by Christine, seconded by Peter B, and carried unanimously.

## **5. Up-zoning**

Time to discuss up-zoning by Peter B. has been cut short because of the prolonged conversation on the Fall Festival. Peter. B. would like to propose a plan regarding the up-zoning of established neighbourhoods in our community, such that it does not exceed two units on one lot.

## **6. Municipal Election**

Audrey reminds the membership of the upcoming municipal election. An email was sent to the membership last week with information and links to mayoral debates. The HCCA will also accept

questions for school trustees, city councillors, and mayoral candidates to be shared by email, for the responses to be shared with the membership before election day.

## **7. AGM Election**

Brian speaks to the upcoming HCCA Annual General Meeting (AGM) Election. The election will be held online over the November 5th-6th weekend, and the results will be shared during the AGM on Monday, November 7th, 2022.

President and Director nominations will be accepted until October 28th, 2022. Please consider submitting your candidacy to serve our community.

Candidates will be asked to fill out a little online questionnaire to post on the HCCA's Facebook page, and will need to write a short biography about themselves.

To be eligible to vote, you must be a member in good standing as of October 28th, 2022.

## **8. Riley's report**

During the election campaign, incumbent City Councillors are not allowed to share written reports, so Riley's update is verbal to the present members.

- Paving on Hunt Club eastbound (2 segments) is taking place. The Northern side has been prioritized, southside is next.
- Coyotes continue to be an issue, the City hired a wildlife specialist to examine data on human-coyote interactions (pinpoint where those have taken place) and visit the habitats to try to understand why interactions with humans are off the chart this year.  
Riley submitted a motion to the city to create a coyote management plan and liaise with other municipalities, coyote watch, etc. to share insights.
- Park dog designations are of three categories: 1) no dogs, 2) on leash only, 3) dogs permitted and off leash (every park as a designation, but people don't know what it is because it's not marked).  
Owl park is between two schools and is designated as an off leash park for dogs, but this causes issues as students are prevented from taking their recess outside when dogs are off leash.
  - A hybrid option where dogs can be off leash outside of school hours, but on leash during school hours could be an option.
  - An alternative would be to establish a protected dog park, although dog parks can cost \$100,000, which is a challenge.
- New Basketball court on Paul Anka near the Community Centre  
Riley saw the court being shared between young men playing ball on one side and a mother with her toddler on the other side. It's beautiful to see in our neighbourhood.
- LRT Trillium Line  
A Phase 2 team will have an update presentation on Greenboro, South Keys station, and the Hunt Club bridge. More information to come.
- The detour on Sawmill Creek pathway will be in place well into 2023.

- What Council approved years ago is no longer valid. Tagart is starting over with a new residential development only. They are committing to providing his office with a monthly written update as the project evolves.
  - TRM met with the City Planner, Kelby Lodoen Unseth, to review submission requirements and our development schedule.
  - We are looking to submit the Plan of Subdivision and Re-Zoning application around the start of 2023, and remediate and begin servicing in Q3 and Q4 of 2023 respectively.
  - Our geotechnical consultant is scheduling boreholes for the end of October.
  - We staked the centreline of the proposed Multi-Use Path (MUP) running along the development to the Quinterra Stormwater Management Pond.
  - We are walking with the City and our landscape architect to review and adjust this MUP alignment on October 11th.
  - We are starting bi-weekly design meetings next week.
  - Hydro One has provided us with a budget for servicing the site, the service will come from the Hunt Club / Riverside intersection on the T&T Supermarket corner.

### **Questions**

Melissa raises issues with some of the roads in our area, notably Uplands, which she claims needs a crosswalk at Paul Landry Park. The same is true for other dangerous intersections, such as where Pwl and Cahill meet (three-way intersection), but the stops aren't sufficient for children's safety walking to school.

Riley explains a crosswalk warrants a study which counts the number of people jaywalking to warrant spending for the crosswalk which will impede traffic flow (this is current Ottawa City planning rules).

Raised intersections may be an option at Country Club/Uplands, but we will need to make a formal request to the City and go through their planning process to see if it is accepted.

**Meeting adjourned.**