



Hunt Club Community Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MEETING, 7 NOVEMBER 2022

Present:

1. Peter Brimacombe, President
2. Peter Foulger, Vice President
3. Audrey Bélanger Baur, Treasurer-Secretary
4. Matt Page, Director
5. Brian Wade, Past President
6. John Sankey, Director
7. Patrick Morton, Director
8. Cathy Bourguignon
9. Andrew Sutton, City of Ottawa (Assistant to the City Councillor)
10. Piero Narducci
11. Riley Brockington, City Councillor
12. Tania Mushka
13. France Picard
14. Melissa MacIsaac
15. Susan McCarthy
16. Ijeoma Udechukwu
17. Larry Swain
18. Barbara Shea
19. Chris Wilson
20. France Picard
21. Mary Nduati
22. Kenella Johnston
23. Jocelyne Desjardins

Regrets: Zane Oueja, Director; Waciira Muya, Director

MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome and Introduction

The President, Peter B., welcomes the membership to the AGM.

2. Approval of the agenda

Susan recommends that the Board receives and accept the report, and refers it to a Fall Festival Review Committee, under the authority of the newly elected Board, to review and discuss. The President asks that the report be presented tonight and for the new Board to decide what to with it.

Financial report and review will be conducted at the next monthly meeting. The Treasurer's report and financial statements for the 2021-22 fiscal year of the HCCA are not included in the agenda. These documents will be presented at the December monthly meeting.

3. Approval of minutes

The [October minutes](#) have been posted online.

Motion: To approve the October minutes

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

4. President's Annual Report

Peter B. is proud of his involvement in the Fall Festival, lots of people had lots of fun. Financially, it was a cliff-hanger, but resolved and organizers were paid.

Initially, the President was sympathetic to the truckers, but they overstayed their welcome. Peace was eventually restored to the downtown.

The Housing Affordability Task Force (HATF) report was huge, and the HCCA went door to door to tell neighbours how this could affect them. Peter himself spoke to 86 people on Plante Dr. It wasn't an election issue, but now it's back. Bill 23 will allow three units on one lot, which will have huge repercussions on his street. The role of the HCCA is to inform residents of changes that may affect them. He has learned zoom, how to navigate the website, and how to operate mailchimp.

The President thanks Brian for looking after the membership records, Jason for his advice with the website, Matt for being a great help, John and Lynette for their huge effort organizing the Fall Festival, and Christine whose participation saved the day at the last monthly meeting.

Susan asks about the report as nothing was said about Get Growing nor the community garden, which were both great successes and which should have been mentioned in the report.

5. Fall Festival

Brian shares the three motions passed by the Board through e-votes and the results:

Motion 1: That the board accept the Fall Festival Expense Report as presented by the HCCA Treasurer.

Motion passed with 10 votes in favour against 1 vote.

Motion 2: That the board approve the additional submitted expenses, as listed below, and instruct the Treasurer to reimburse the appropriate people using funds collected by HCCA for the Fall Festival.

*\$107.43 for artists;
\$99.89 for entertainment;
\$83.88 for food.*

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3: That the board approve the additional submitted expense of \$1001.40 for the volunteer thank you dinner and instruct the Treasurer to reimburse the appropriate people using funds collected by HCCA for the Fall Festival.

Motion passed with 9 votes in favour against 2 votes.

This cleared up the controversy and payments were made using funds collected by the HCCA for the Fall Festival.

The President, Peter B., highlights that Audrey, the Treasurer, dropped the cheques off at his house and right away he signed them and drove to people's homes to give them the cheques.

Matt has prepared a post-mortem report on behalf of the Fall Festival team (FFT).

- Binder from previous organizers filled with information and resources to help them along. Started reaching out to partners (because help would be required for such a big event).
- John and Lynette spent every weekend from May to August at local fairs and events to meet with local vendors and artists. Activities for all ages. The tents making feel vendors included and welcomed (space in the shade) were huge selling points to get them to come.
- Partners weren't able to financially contribute but got their youth basketball team out
- City support was limited because it was an election year
- Andrew Sutton was an excellent resource – Riley also commended for his work, and Community Centre staff helping out
- The HCCA should look at its project management model – project requirements throughout the year to have proper oversight.
 - More volunteers so they can take shifts
 - More central activity near the stage so people can enjoy the music while at activities
 - Volunteer luncheon – lessons to be learned, great way to thank volunteers, but should have had RSVPs (do the thank you a little later or plan it ahead of time to have better and more accurate numbers) between 35 to 50 people invited to the luncheon

- Not much delegation, always the board dealing with everything all the time.
- Fundraising committee to fundraise throughout the year/streams and fund programs without worrying constantly about what's in the bank
- Volunteer recognition at the end of the year

Audrey: asks if all the **contact information of partners** to the event will be shared with the HCCA Board. Matt says he will compile all the information he can get and provide it to the Board.

6. Board of Directors election

Brian, Past President, led the elections of the President and Directors. Worked with applicants/candidates to get to know them better (questionnaires to get to know them better), sent reminders to renew memberships. Notices were posted on Facebook and sent out to members via email

We have 161 members listed on our membership list. Of that, 86 were eligible to vote. We received a total of 49 ballots. 57% of eligible voters participated, this is the highest participation rate as far as Brian knows.

One section of the ballots were for President, another for Director positions. Could have done a better job explaining how the ballots worked, but overall worked well, and we should have confidence in the results.

Results:

We had 48 votes (one person abstained).

President: 48 votes casted, 38 for Audrey, 10 for Peter

Audrey received over 2/3 of the votes and is therefore the president-elect.

Brian moves to accept those results, France seconds, motion carried.

Peter B. becomes Past President.

Other section for Board of directors: 10 candidates on ballots

Clarifications: Audrey was included as a Director candidate in the case that she was unsuccessful as President (Peter becomes Past President on the Board automatically). Brian was on the ballot as he decided to run for Director.

Voting results:

Mary	39	39/48	81%
Brian	39	39/48	81%
Piero	37	37/48	77%
Patrick	35	35/48	73%
Sabrine	34	34/48	71%
Melissa	31	31/48	65%
Zane	31	31/48	65%
Fiona	29	29/48	60%
Carl	27	27/48	56%
Peter	17	17/48	35%

Motion to accept the results, seconded and carried unanimously.

Three people on the ballot did not obtain 2/3 of votes. President has the authority to appoint Audrey, as President, recommends dealing on majority over 50% for candidates, and dealing separately candidate that did not obtain 50% of the votes, and that these procedures should be clarified in the bylaws for future elections.

Currently we have an even number of people on the Board.

Tania – Suggests we recommend Peter to stand for his position because there's room

Ijeoma – feels candidates should be accepted irrespective of the number of votes

John – We allow 10 directors and 10 people ran, then they ought to be acclaimed

Patrick – Part of the issue is that we had 11 candidates to vote with how the ballot was constructed, so we did have more than 10 to vote on. This might have caused some confusion.

Brian – Peter F., do you accept to let your name stand.

Peter F. – Accepts if Audrey and the membership does.

Audrey – Agreed, it's the position of the membership

Riley: The HCCA's system gives the membership the authority to affirm candidates rather than simply acclaim them, which notably gives more control to members.

Audrey is grateful to have received the trust and support of the membership to lead the HCCA in 2022/23. She thanks Peter for serving as President this past year and for his dedication to the Association.

Audrey: In preparation for next month's monthly meeting,

- Newly elected and re-elected directors will be formally onboarded and provided with training;
- A plan will be established to act on the lessons learned and priorities of the Board over the next year;
- Project charter and application sheets will be prepared and distributed for members to apply for projects, whether recurring or new projects. Applications are open all year, but earlier submissions will improve the odds of a project being able to take place this fiscal year.

Are there any questions, any pressing issue that I may not have addressed yet? If anyone thinks of anything further, please feel free to reach me at info@hunt-club.ca until email changes are implemented this week (thereafter: president@hunt-club.ca).

Susan volunteers to get the newsletter back up.

7. Airport Parkway widening

The second meeting on the airport parkway widening was attended by Zane Oueja, Peter F., and Peter B. on behalf of the Hunt Club Community Association.

Patrick: Walkley Rd changing and airport parkway widening (noise mitigation)

Peter F.: Online open house on Nov. 23rd 6:30-8:30pm run by the City .

Dec. 6th online information meeting run by the city

Other projects running concurrently and consecutively to take care of modification between airport parkway and Bank (roundabout on Walkley and redesign on Walkley between McCarthy and Airport parkway)

The design is still only 33% complete.

Peter B. : Winter time traffic on Walkley going westbound because southmore doesn't clear (completely dysfunctional) .

8. City Councillor's report

Riley Brockington, Ward 16's re-elected City Councillor with over 70% of the votes, presents his report to the residents:

Congratulates madam president and all members who have served the Board and new Directors. We work as a collective putting all our skills together to serve the community. 1997-1999 served on the HCCA himself.

AGM report of Councillor Riley

- Local developments

- Taggart, will send the Board the monthly updates
multi-residential development now
will host a public session
- Tudor Hall- property was officially transferred to new owners.
- Owl Park – Dog designation off leash (owners must still always have control at all times)
dog-human interactions don't always end well
Will seek feedback from the association
- McCarthy Park – legacy basketball court
Receiving some TLC, asphalt and repainting before snow fall
- Road resurfacing
City is way behind on a number of projects (mainly because of July strike)
Contractors bid on more than they could chew even without strikes
Push these into high gear next spring
- Parking issues
Removal of parking for safety: Paul Anka between Community Centre and Uplands (on the southern side) – but close to Uplands, there's still visual difficulties on northern side
Pigeon Terrace, McCarthy Rd
Take away 10 parking spots at that intersection
Archer sightline issue – take away 2-3 parking spots
- Official Plan
Ottawa OP has now been approved
Made 30 modifications to the OP
Detailed document to be released tomorrow to go over those modifications
Expansion of urban boundary to increase by 500 ht the infill area
Resident areas capped at 4 storeys would now go up to 6 storeys
This is different from Bill 23 which focuses on R1 to allow duplexes and triplexes
The City is a beast of the provincial government and there is no appeal opportunity

- Remembrance Day and Veteran's Week
- Ottawa Public Health Flu vaccine and covid vaccine
- New vacant property bylaw
If vacant are now subject to a fee (residential or commercial)
- New Chief of Police
- Collision Reporting Centres get modernized
- Public Consultations on e-scooters – there is a survey members can fill out.
- Airport Parkway Widening – 2 upcoming public consultations (this approved in 2013 part of TMP)
 - macro view of Parkway on Nov. 23rd
 - Dec. 6th just about the plans for Walkley Rd
- Coyotes in River Ward
 - Trapper caught a racoon (now released)
 - Three coyotes trapped in the hydro corridor
Two in particular were identified as most engaged in the community and more bold in their approach and those were targeted for capture, non-targeted ones were released
 - Information campaign – don't feed them, contain garbage appropriately
 - We have dozens of properties that back on to the hydro corridor without fencing – gardens can stay, but should be separated from wildlife
 - Wildlife management strategy and there will be a public session in our community
- This Saturday – Junk that Funk (behind metro)
- Hosting Christmas dinner on Dec. 22nd (RSVP by Dec. 16th)

Questions

Barbara

- Congrats to everyone
- Halting of road construction – take away bits?
- New city council – thoughts on City Council working together and best case scenario of interface between city council and staff (city council can get info more easily than what has been happening)
 - Construction equipment and barrels will be removed
 - Nonsense of this term needs to end, we don't need to all agree, but expectation that people are civil and professional – reinforced that there has to be something at the beginning of the term for a bonding exercise, relationship building, have more challenging conversations with people when you know them and that was completely absent in the last term of council / the public has expectations that must be met, no appetite for the same type of bickering and shenanigans
 - Council and staff, still an issue
Riley is more direct with staff than he was in his first term
Will ask for project schedule – the tasks have been identified and there are timelines and

deadlines attached to them ,and mechanisms to hold them accountable /* city manager? affirmed that project management problem at the city and that's where mistakes happen and aren't fixed right away (quality control)
City manager is the only one involved in performance appraisal and objectives of city staff (not city council), same on transit commission and Riley will work on resolving this (recognize independence with senior staff, but opportunity to provide feedback)

Tania

- Taggart – several affordable housing units?
 - o Rental is 80% of market rate (too generous to call affordable)
 - o Rentals or ownership for Taggart? And what are the current targets for affordable housing?
 - Taggart has the option to include affordable housing, but not requirement (reduction of fees)
 - Inclusionary zoning mandatory requirement in proximity of transit hubs... city 10% and province has reduced to 5% has to be affordable housing
ACORN has asked for up to 30%, city criticized for not being ambitious enough.
- Tudor Hall
 - o Right now, still in flux re: parking spaces?
 - Look into a plan before it becomes a problem – concerns about overflow parking
 - One element they were most open to discussing in far as amending (long term agreement with adjoining)

John Reid

- Bill 23 (if DCs are taken away from low-income affordable housing areas is it likely the city will say we can't develop city services in those areas? Libraries, etc.)
 - o Don't know if all DCs will be impacted or a subset... we'll need to see. It'll likely take longer for some projects to be built because of lacking DCs (make up through property taxes or reduce timeliness)
 - o City draft response on Bill 23 to come
 - o Airport Parkway will be delayed again because of quotes for the work compared to 3 yrs ago have gone up 75% (100% paid for by DCs)

Susan McCarthy

- Congratulate on Riley's re-election
- Cut done on Twyford of multi-use path – thank you!

Ijeoma

- Affordable housing – how cities are trying to resolve this issue using shipping containers to build affordable homes “or are we just depending on these Taggart people”?
 - o Looking at 20 parcels at land that the city has declared surplus, that rather than cutting a cheque it can offset costs by donating land (working with different groups for partnerships and those third parties build housing for veterans or Indigenous ppl, etc.)
 - o Housing is a human right, the cost of building is very high, it's unacceptable to have sleep outside

- Liaison on council for homelessness, etc.
- Learn from cities who are succeeding.

Meeting adjourned.