

# Meeting Minutes ▾ Jun 3, 2024

## Hunt Club Community Association - Members ▾ Meeting

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7:00 PM

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

- a. In-person (Let me know if I spelt your name wrong)
  - i. Iain (secretary)
  - ii. Audrey
  - iii. Brian
  - iv. Peter Bimicome
  - v. Audrie
  - vi. Tania
  - vii. Riley (city councilor)
  - viii. Owen Clarkin
  - ix. John Plate
  - x. Sherly Plate
  - xi. Art Mosque
  - xii. Jakob Muller -President of Ottawa field naturalist
  - xiii. Kadisha
  - xiv. Cathy Kourouma (road safety presentation)
  - xv. Mike Form
  - xvi. Peter forger
- b. On Zoom
  - i. Amaka
  - ii. Andrew Sutton
  - iii. Barb
  - iv. Cathy Bouguignon

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### 2. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Audrey put forth-Peter B seconded-Passed

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### 3. Information and Updates

a. Minutes: **May 6, 2024**

- i. Put forth by Iain-Seconded by Audrey-Passed

b. President's Report (Audrey)

- i. Last meeting before the summer - activities suggestions and volunteering opportunities
- ii. Nominations to the [Order of Ottawa](#) - Closing September 8, 2024

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### 4. Discussion items

a. Ottawa Field Naturalists Club and Owen Clarkin (10 min.)

- i. Presentation to Owen - Thank you! (Audrey and Riley)
  - Card given to Owen- Donation to the OFN
- ii. OFNC's conservation programs (*Jakob and Owen*)
  - *Oldest Naturalist History Club in Canada*
  - *Promoting Canada's naturalist heritage to the general public*
  - *McCarthy Woods is one of the best biodiverse woods inside the Greenbelt*
  - *Talked about the significance of the trees in Riverwood Park*
    - a. *Butternut tree*
    - b. *Yellow Birch*
      - i. *Old-growth tree*
    - c. *Peachleaf Willow*
  - *Hope to work with the city for the best result regarding saving the trees*
  - *The next steps would be getting the St Marys people together in a room with all the other relevant parties*

iii. Hunt Club's natural areas: McCarthy Woods, Riverwood Park (*all*)

b. City of Ottawa - Traffic calming on McCarthy Rd (15 min.)

- i. [Link to the presentation](#)
- ii. Between 2017-2021 there were 3 reported collisions- Head-on collisions
- iii. First thought was to raise the level of the curb but later ruled out
- iv. Guide rails are meant to absorb energy and guide the vehicle away from hitting something
- v. At lower speeds, there may not be as much of a deflection with the guide rails
- vi. Would need to modify the sidewalk to get the right clearance with the guide rails
- vii. Physical changes to the road to narrow lanes was looked at
- viii. Speed bumps were not considered to emergency services and bus routes on the road
- ix. Questions
  - What would be the width

- a. 3.5M at minimum for the bus is needed
- How would narrowing the lanes reduce the likelihood of a head-on collision
  - a. The typical speed on the road is 61KM/h so narrowing the road would reduce the speed and lessen the chance someone would go into the other lane
- When are the collisions occurring? More in the winter?
  - a. Only one occurred in the winter between 2017-2021
- Is the curve the biggest factor in cars moving over into the other lane
  - a. A full roadway rebuild would be required to change the curve of the road. Not in the budget
- How can McCarthy be 50 when Walkley is 50 double lane with a median
  - a. Her department doesn't manage speed limits that another department - this could change soon depending on what happens in the Council
- x. This is greenlighted so should occur this summer
- c. Development Charges increase - letter (10 min.)
  - i. Please send in your comments or if you want to be a signatory
- d. Community Food Drive (5 min.)
  - i. Loaded up two and a half vehicles of food
  - ii. Some other food drive days have already been booked

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## 5. Councillor's Report (Councillor Riley Brockington)

- i. New Comprehensive Zoning By-Law Public Information Session
  - June 20 from 6:30-8pm, Overview of key concepts and Q&A session on zoom (city wide)  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tdO-pqTgoGtyAqDk vXgopTRrhqw9MfiyF>
- ii. See report on website
- iii. Questions
  - What is happening with the transitway from Southkeys to Hurdman
    - a. Would need to look into it
  - Is the lack of parking in new housing builds widespread throughout the council
    - a. Is something staff are looking into to removing parking minimums

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## 6. Committee Items

We will go through updates and hold on voting for later.

### a. Finance & Fundraising

- i. Treasurer's report/Fundraising and committee membership
  - Report is on website
  - Very healthy budget
  - 1000\$ donation from the councillor for the fall festival
  - Art club is very successful
  - Community gardens have minor expenses and renew all their memberships
  - Tend to do a large membership renewal in November-when most people renew
  - 80 paid members but it fluctuates
- ii. Fall Festival contracts in place
  - Have a quote for about 1900\$ for what the association had last year plus some more stage area
  - Moved by Audrey, seconded by Melissa. Passed unanimously
- iii. Fall Festival roles and responsibilities for Board members
  - Making sure all board members have responsibilities for the fall festival and just overall
- iv. Fundraising letter distribution - help wanted!
  - Will be starting some distribution soon

### b. Environment

- i. Get Growing - Update on a successful delivery day!
  - See presentation on website
  - Community Association should get a tent to loan out for events such as this

### c. Affordable Housing and City Planning

- i. St. Mary's (Taggart) variance - Missing middle letter
  - Letter on the website
  - Board would prefer a denser density rather than single-family homes
  - The site needs better transit and biking infrastructure
- ii. Riverwood Park - Seeking more information
  - Developer studies often come out in favour of the developer
  - If often rare to see people counter the developer studies as they don't have the resources to counter

## 7. Adjournment of Meeting

a. Next meeting: Sep 9, 2024 at 7:00 PM.