

**Wolseley Residents Association
General Meeting
February 11, 2019**

1. Call to order 7:05

2. Agenda and minutes reviewed

Motion to adopt Agenda by Pat McCarthy-Briggs, second Ian Findlater; **Carried**
Motion: To adopt Minutes by Pat Briggs-McCarthy, second Erna Buffie; **Carried**

3. Old Business

a) AGM:

Discussion on location for AGM on 8 April. The lower hall is booked but there will be basketball happening in the gym above. Cynthia N felt that the noise disruption would not be conducive for a good meeting. She said that the mezzanine was available. There would be some noise bleed but not nearly as much as in the lower hall. The mezzanine is not accessible however. It was felt that with the help of volunteers that the accessibility issue could be overcome, if required. General consensus was that the mezzanine was the better option.

Action: Jim P will book the mezzanine.

b) Bank Account:

Jim P said that there was \$396 in out account at the ACU on Broadway at Langside. Jim is removing Stephen Whitmore's signature from the account so that only his (Jim's) signature will be valid. However 2 signatures are still required on all cheques.

When the new executive are voted in at the AGM then Jim has the form for them to sign to complete the transfer of signatures. ACU will also require the minutes of the AGM to verify that the people were duly elected.

c) Engagement documents:

Cynthia N noted that The City's Engagement Document concerning the Walk/Bike Survey and Recommendations is now on line.

d) Web Site:

Our web site will cost \$150/year.

Motion by Pat Briggs-McCarthy to take the money from our account once the new executive have access to it; seconded by Melissa Bowman-Wilson: **Carried**
Action: Chris Anderson has agreed to pay the fee now and be reimbursed later.

The new Executive to Reimburse Chris when it has access to our account.

e) Insurance:

Ian Findlater advised us that although the WRA would not be liable for most of our actions there is a possibility, however slim, that some things we endorse or promote may lead to liable action. A simple \$2M liability insurance would be all that we might ever need. Cost would be around a few hundred dollars.

Motion by Erna Buffie, seconded by Marianne Cerilli that the decision on insurance be left for the new executive to determine. **Carried.**

Action: New executive to discuss and determine.

f) Knappen Ave Walkway:

Melissa B-W gave a brief update saying that talks are being arranged with the owners of the pathway to help mitigate the issue. The pathway has been there since whenever the homes were built in the 1910-30s.

Action: Melissa B-W will update the WRA as things happen.

g) WRA nominations:

Barb Janes is seeking nominations for all WRA executive positions; President, Secretary, Treasurer and Communications. She would like to have at least 1 nomination for each position before the AGM. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor that evening.

Barb is looking for help in getting some posters designed, printed and posted.

Action: Erna B would prepare a design on 81/2x11 paper, run it by Cynthia N. Ray Hignnell said he would print up 25 Copies.
It wasn't mentioned but Jim P can do the poster.

5. Reports:

- a) President – No updates
- b) Secretary – Same as previously noted
- c) Communications – Sasha would like to link Wolseley businesses to the WRA web site so that it becomes a resource for the community. A work to be developed.

6. New Business:

- a) Cynthia introduced the mission statements and action plans as developed by 2 committees; Urban Development & Housing and Green Space.
It is hoped that the other 2 committees, Traffic and Safety will prepare something in the future to give guidance to their committee.
Unfortunately the Traffic group right now only has one member.
- b) Darach McDonnell on the Safety Committee gave an update on the Wolseley Watch:
 - They meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:30 at RASteen CC and go out on patrol for 2-3 hours depending on weather.
 - They have received advice and assistance from the Bear Clan and the 204 Neighbourhood Watch
 - They get 4-6 regulars out each walk. They would like more in order to cover more of the neighbourhood.
 - When daylight saving time starts they will shift to a Wednesday walk starting at 6:30.
 - Sasha O is looking into obtaining some funding for WW from RBC.
 - The group visited Barchet's Grocery to offer support after the attack on them earlier in the week.
- c) Marianne C reports from the Urban Development Committee:

- a) they have been talking about the Sunday Night Cruising issue. They hope to arrange some sort of meeting between the car enthusiasts and the residents to see if any type of solution could be worked out. It will be very difficult.
- b) They are looking into getting the Vimy Ridge public washrooms open more.
- c) Getting more block parties happening
- d) They have been told that Cornish library will not be open until 2020 now.
- d) There was a open discussion on where the WRA could obtain some ongoing funding for general operations (ie, paper, copying, etc) as well as for specific work projects (ie, tree planting).
Action: the new Executive should initiate further discussion and research.
- e) There was general discussion on why there was such a small attendance tonight after such a great start at the WRA Revitalization meeting in Nov '18. What needs to be done to make sure people come back and stay involved. Discussion on how we better communicate with the community. Pat B-M will try to get a greater write in The Leaf. Since the WRA has very little money we cannot buy larger space in the Leaf.

7. Committee breakout:

We broke into the 4 sub committees. The discussion within the sub committees was limited as several people had to leave early. This left only a 1 or 2 people in 3 of the sub committees. The Urban Development & Housing committee had 4 people so some discussion was held.

8. Meeting adjourned at 20:35.

9. Next meeting: Monday, March 11, 2019
 7:00 p.m.
 RA Steen, Fireside Room