



RSCA Executive Monthly Meeting At Rideauview Community Centre		Thurs February 15, 2018 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	
Present: Bruce Lindsay Lesia Gilbert Mireille Focquet John Brayman Dave Bowering Paul Brun Samantha Lauzon Madeleine Lemaire Kaylin Hodge	Regrets: JoAnn McDonald Kyle Creelman Dave Raganold Tracey Stratton Kevin Lu Janet Ch��n�� Guest(s): Brian Wilson Guy Boone Ray Barton	Leader: Secretary:	Bruce Lindsay Madeleine Lemaire
Minutes			

Administrative Items:

Adoption of Agenda: Additions to: No additions	Moved: Paul Brun Second: Lesia Gilbert Carried
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Minutes of the January 18, 2018 (3 minutes)	Moved: John Brayman Second: Lesia Gilbert Carried
Lesia Gilbert – Treasurer’s Report (10 minutes) Approval of 2018 Canada Budget - No possibility for rain date, due to cost and amount of equipment used on day of event.	Moved: John Brayman Second: Lesia Gilbert Carried

Brian Wilson – Stormwater Pond Maintenance

<p>Brian Wilson lives next to the stormwater ponds on River Road. The City of Ottawa recently carried out stormwater pond maintenance which included dumping sediment behind his home. Residents abutting the pond were given one week advance notice. He spoke to his recent experience and the need for Stormwater Pond Maintenance Guidelines in Riverside South. (10 minutes)</p> <p>There will be six stormwater ponds in Riverside South, the dredging is occurring at Pond 1 off of Canyon walk. The city is digging up the sludge and sediment then dumping it onto the perimeter of residents' homes.</p> <p>This work normally happens every decade or so to maintain the floor bay of the ponds and remove the potentially toxic soil found in the bays from runoff and pollution. Due to the toxins found in the sludge it causes a strong smell once spring arrives and starts melting the currently frozen soil. The city is required to leave only a three meter barrier around residents' property when dumping, so potential complications from the work are possible. These complications include damage to surrounding residents' basements and cracks in their home's foundation. The city has taken videos and pictures of people's foundations to have a reference point for any potential damage caused by the vibrations of the machinery.</p> <p>Brian Wilson has voiced concerns to the city multiple times about the potential damage to the surrounding wildlife and vegetation that dumping the sediment could cause. His main concern is preserving the thicket of mature white pine trees found around the pond as they could be affected by the sediment.</p> <p>The planning process of the city is also being brought into question as there were no consultations for the project and surrounding residents were only given three days' notice about the upcoming work. Wilson felt that the city needs to be more transparent and forthcoming with residents about future construction and ongoing maintenance projects. Also need to revise its process to prevent unnecessary resident issues related to dumping of sediment; such as the smell, damage to vegetation and residents' homes. The City needs to make improvements to its consultation procedures around these maintenance projects. Residents of Riverside South could also lend a hand by reducing the amount of pollution/contaminants entering storm sewers from lawns and driveways.</p>	Received
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Updates:

<p>John Brayman – Community Development (municipal development applications, studies, reports, initiatives, bylaws) (10 minutes)</p> <p>RSCA is part of a community working group to discuss the Environmental Assessment of Leitrim realignment and road widening. Next meeting February 22nd.</p> <p>No applicable Committee of Adjustment, City of Ottawa applications in February.</p> <p>YOW 2038 - attended public meeting on Jan. 25 at Minto Rec Complex.</p> <p>Public meeting to discuss three development applications (Riverside South Development Corporation, Claridge Homes and 2356349 Ltd Partnership (Cardel Homes) held February 13</p> <p>Transit - LRT expansion to Riverside South important as existing roads are at capacity during peak periods.</p> <p>Development - Rec Centre update deferred to the March meeting due to time constraints.</p> <p>An agreement has been signed to adopt Mosquito Creek from the mouth (Rideau River to Rideau Road) for 5 years. Potential projects near the DQ at Spratt and beside the Stormwater Pond. RVCA will provide plants, tools, equipment and training.</p> <p>Outside the ward/community – will send Omnibus list of files for review. (see attached full report)</p>	Received
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<p>Dave Raganold – Outdoor Rink Program 2017-18 (5 minutes)</p> <p>The Spratt and Boothfield rinks are still in good condition, all rinks will be closed until we get colder weather. A second break in has occurred at the Boothfield bunker. The lockbox will not be replaced. The lock will be rekeyed and the main volunteers will be given a key (this is a temporary measure - a more permanent solution will be determined). The City and Police have been notified in both instances.</p>	Received
<p>Mireille Focquet – Communications Strategy (10 minutes)</p> <p>Nothing new to report as of yet, but Mireille is hoping to work on updating the webpage, as well as getting out a newsletter soon.</p>	Received
<p>Dave Bowering – Strategic Planning Session (10 minutes)</p> <p>Met with Bruce and Michelle from the East Ottawa Resource Center to discuss the planning for Strategic Planning Session. The goal is to take a comprehensive review of the RSCA (short and long term). One of the objectives will be to focus attention to important “no fail” projects in order to use resources (monetary and human) as effectively and efficiently as possible. One of the critical immediate needs is to recruit new volunteers who can commit to no fail events. Also need more support to help administer the various activities and programs of the RSCA. Another goal is to work toward greater transparency so residents feel more comfortable voicing opinions and volunteering. Would possibly involve cutting back spending of resources in some areas in order to redirect more resources in other priority areas. The board of directors will meet on March 17th to begin the process of developing a Strategic Plan for the RSCA. The meeting will be either at the Rideauview Community Centre or Moncion’s. A second meeting will be scheduled probably in April for the entire executive.</p>	Received
<p>Tracey Stratton – Riverside South Community Garden Project (10 minutes)</p> <p>The community garden has not secured water for the site. In order to apply for funding from Just Foods there needs to be a secure and regular water supply available and guaranty of five year use of the land. A well is being considered but would cost more than \$10,000 and need Just Foods funding in order to complete the project. It was suggested that the community garden move to another location (Landscape Depot) but water supply would still most likely be an issue.</p> <p>A logo design for the community garden was created, but has not been released yet.</p>	Received
<p>Madeleine Lemaire, Kaylin Hodge, Samantha Lauzon – Youth activity/project Update (10 minutes)</p> <p>The youth dance was postponed due to a lack of pre-sale tickets, but there is a plan to replace the dance with another event.</p> <p>The Steel Pan Band from Merivale has offered to perform a concert (tentatively scheduled for May 5th at the Park and Ride); some discussion around change of venue and adding a community barbecue to attract more interest in the event.</p>	Received
<p>Janet Chéné – Seniors Group and Seniors Drop-in Update (10 minutes)</p> <p>The seniors’ drop ins continue to be popular and are attracting new members.</p> <p>A seniors tea was held (January 25th) and had a large turnout (approx. 60 people), will hold another couple (February 22nd and March 29th).</p> <p>The Moncion’s Wellness fair will be held on February 25th from 12 to 5. Association will have a table, volunteers are encouraged to participate. Hoping to be able to continue the Seniors Survey. Janet Chene gave an overview at Seniors Committee of options for seniors as their needs change. John Scrivens is preparing a business case for affordable and accessible housing for seniors. (see attached full report)</p>	Received
<p>Lesia Gilbert – 2018 Events (10 minutes)</p> <p>The movie night is coming up on February 24th from 7pm-9pm and will be showing Thor Ragnarok and Disney movies for kids. The tickets are \$5 per person. There has not been any ticket sales as of yet, but there has been quite a bit of interest on Facebook. Volunteers are</p>	Received

<p>still needed for the babysitting room and to help set up food and chairs. The overall cost will be approximately \$800, but there is a \$500 sponsorship from the Coveducks as well as volunteers from Tiny Hoppers to help run the babysitting room. The Gathering is providing the movie player and have volunteered to run and set up the film.</p> <p>There is a Chinese New Year's Celebration coming up on March 3rd from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm. There will be food, entertainment, cultural display, and a lucky draw. Admission is free</p> <p>Guy Boone also brought up Welcome Ottawa Week (WOW) which is taking place from June 18th to 30th and is a city wide celebration meant to welcome new immigrants and create a strong sense of community through events and activities held by Ottawa neighbourhoods. This could be a great way to welcome the new Canadian's to RSS.</p>	
<p>Lesia Gilbert – Student Community Recognition Bursary (5 minutes)</p> <p>Budget of \$500 was previously approved for the bursary. Need to set criteria and expectations for the bursary (i.e. large commitment to community, volunteer work etc.). Would most likely be for grade 12 students who are moving on to postsecondary education. Judges need to be chosen to read through applications and chose a winner; would be nice to get recognizable members of the community to help with this process. It is hoped that the bursary nomination/application procedure will be implemented in time for the next school year. (October or November 2018).</p>	Received
<p>Bruce Lindsay – Four Season Boothfield Bunker Mural (5 minutes)</p> <p>Plan for new mural at the Boothfield bunker was approved by the city. Students from the St. FX art class will be painting the mural as a part of their marked curriculum. The plan is to do each side of the bunker as a different season of the year. (see attached art designs)</p>	Received

New Items:

<p>John Brayman – Mosquito Creek Project (10 minutes)</p> <p>The association has adopted the creek from the mouth of the Rideau river to Rideau road for the next 5 years. As stated in last month's meeting with the RVCA Acting Coordinator from the City Stream Watch Program the authority will provide the materials and equipment needed for riparian planting. The RSCA have agreed to at least walk the adopting portion of the creek at least once a year. (see attached the full report)</p>	<p>Moved: John Brayman Second: Paul Brun Carried</p>
<p>Bruce Lindsay – St FX Band Performance honorarium (5 minutes)</p> <p>An honorarium of \$200 will be given to the St. FX high school band to help fund their trip to Toronto for competition. The school will be putting on a free performance for the community on March 6th or 8th with all five of the school's bands.</p>	<p>Moved: John Brayman Second: Mireille Focquet Carried</p>

Adjournment moved by: Paul Brun

Time: 9:55 pm

Next meeting: March 15, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. Rideauview Community Centre at 4310 Shoreline Drive, Gloucester, ON K1V 1N4