

OHHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

January 11, 2024

Board Member	Position	Present	Absent
David Blakey	Vice-President	x	
Afsaneh Dhalla		x	
Tonya Elmazi	President	x	
Janet Jackson	Vice-President	x	
Zein Lavji	Treasurer		x
Preeya Malik			x
Leanne Miller			x
Lawrence Pinkney			x
Stacey Reason		x	
Lenni Rodrigues			
Raya Shadursky	Secretary	x	
Grant Stidwill			x

1. Quorum:

- Tonya confirmed that quorum was present.

2. Land Acknowledgement:

- Tonya read the acknowledgement.

3. Approval of Agenda:

- The agenda was approved.

4. Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2023 (from Oct 10, 2023 *deferred to next meeting*):

- The minutes from the November 16th meeting was approved unanimously.

5. Report/Updates:

a. BBQ – financial report and feedback:

- It was reported that the bank balance as of today was \$6,961.73. A breakdown of the BBQ expenses and revenues would be reported before the next board meeting.

b. Traffic Volume and Speeding Issues:

- All agreed that traffic and speeding has increased in the neighbourhood and that a number of accidents have occurred;
- This will be raised at the AGM with discussion of some types of solutions that can be identified to slow down traffic (speed and volume).

c. Neighbourhood Watch:

- The Board was advised that Elaine Davidson has taken over Neighbourhood Watch;
- She had also provided input into the recent safety survey.

d. Bulletin Board Status:

- Sid still has not been paid for the bulletin board he created;
- It was felt not be the type that would provide space for more than one notice and that it leaked;
- After some discussion it was agreed to recommend to Councillor Dasko that Sid's bulletin board be placed in the Tanaka gardens with an appropriate plaque honouring this site;
- Board members were going to ask around the neighbourhood if someone could actually build the type of board we needed or find alternative ones that could be bought and paid for by the association.

- e. *Membership 2023/2024:*
 - o Currently there were 86 paid members compared to 89 in 2023;
 - o A reminder will be sent out to the neighbourhood to remind them to take out membership in order to vote at the AGM.
- f. *Meeting at City Hall November 29th – re: approval of fourplexes:*
 - o Tonya delivered a superb speech to Council expressing the feelings of the neighbourhood against such a proposal;
 - o It will be posted to the website along with the presentation sent to the City prior to the meeting.
- g. *Newsletter Status:*
 - o Will be scheduled for the spring
- h. *Christmas in the Park:*
 - o Though the weather was rainy and cool, there was a good turnout at the park including children;
 - o Having hot drinks and cookies was a great idea;
 - o Some discussion followed regarding ideas for next year:
 - Start earlier in the day;
 - Possibly have a skating party then or on Family day;
 - Depending on weather include some activities such as snow man making, meeting with Santa;
 - Possibly include inside activities if a location can be found – eg. Large tent or the church.
- i. *Winner of best Christmas Decorated House:*
 - o The winner of the best decorated house was Dimitra Tsanos of 1469 Larchview Trail.

6. **Financial Report for 2022 and or 2023 current status:**

- This was discussed and a full report will be sent to Board members for approval before the AGM.

7. **Future Activities:**

a. **AGM date and format:**

- o Board reviewed Janet's draft plan for the meeting;
- o Tonya agreed to contact both the MP and MPP to invite them to the meeting;
- o Officers and Committee members will be identified at the meeting after the AGM;
- o Tonya to confirm with the current Board members as to their agreement to stay on the Board for 2024;
- o A meeting is scheduled for Sunday at 1:00 pm to confirm what has to be done and who would be responsible.

b. **Planning for 2024:**

- o Deferred until after the AGM where some new ideas may come up.

8. **Other Business:**

- No other business was discussed due to time constraints.

9. **Adjournment of Meeting:**

- Meeting adjourned about 9:30 pm.