

## **Kirkendall Neighbourhood Association Monthly Meeting**

### **February 1, 2022 Virtual meeting via Teams**

**Present:** Maureen Wilson, Mark Stewart (Chair), Jen Fraser, Jesse Gallant, Barbara Howe (secretary), Susan Millman, A/Sgt Asim Butt, Annette Keep

1. Introduction and Welcome
2. Agenda and Minutes from January 4, 2022 approved
3. Councillor Update:
  - a) Garbage receptible in place at the Pearl St. bridge location
  - b) HAAA grounds renovation update. The West half of the park will begin this year. The East half requires more extensive work due to drainage issues and will not commence until 2023-2024. The Fieldhouse building currently under review by a consultant to determine current condition and repairs needed. Councillor Wilson toured the building and reports it is in unusable condition and will likely require extensive work to make it habitable. Survey will be going out to residents for feedback as to suggested/needed uses for this space. Stakeholder's meeting for KNA members to attend scheduled for February 11 at 1PM. Susan, Jen and Mel will try to attend.
  - c) February 7 at 3pm is citizen delegation day re: operating budget.
  - d) Q&A: LRT meeting for Ward 1 will be end of March/ early April. No further update on results of Lean Aberdeen pilot project as still awaiting Public Works consult with other Ward Councillors.
4. Police Update: A/Sgt Butt reported on Year-to-Year Comparison for 2020-2021. Increase in criminal occurrences from 210 in 2020 to 259 in 2021. This increase is comparable to the rest of the city. Police have used a number of initiatives to deal with theft such as the bike decoy program, the Lock it or Lose it campaign targeting certain "hot spots". Patrols in the community have been increased and other initiatives to deal with noisy autos with loud mufflers has been successful. There is a new partner in the office who is developing a Offenders Management project to assist in dealing with repeat offenders who are mostly responsible for the theft occurrences.
5. Police Superintendent Advisory Committee: No report
6. Guest Speakers: None
7. Communications: Susan suggested an email blast be sent to remind residents of location of skating rinks in the neighbourhood. Green Ventures free virtual seminars are posted on our website and FB page. Request from University of Waterloo research student looking for volunteers to complete a survey re: food security given the OK to post on our FB page. Work continues updating our website. Jen reminded Jesse and Susan to submit their respective bios as

Members of the KNA. Newsletter sent out reminding residents of Spring activities dates.

8. Planning Committee: No report
9. Development Committee: No report
10. Treasurer's Report: Opening balance January 1, 2022 \$4457.38 Closing balance January 31, 2022 \$3978.03
11. Events Report: May Food Drive committee will meet February 24 to begin volunteer recruitment, signage and day of logistics. Compost sale still needs to be booked with Public Works and Monaghan's Mushrooms.
12. New Business: Need to schedule date for this year's AGM. Mark will check with Councillor Wilson re: availability for either Tuesday April 19 or 26.
13. Next Meeting: Tuesday March 1, 2022 at 7PM.