

Kirkendall Neighbourhood Association Monthly Meeting

January 10, 2023 in person and via Teams

Present: Mark Stewart (Chair), Jen Fraser, Stephanie Hillson, Barbara Howe (Secretary), Susan Millman, Brandon Raco, Sgt. Asim Butt, Gideon Bell, Annette Keep.

Regrets: Maureen Wilson, Meltem Koseleci, Sarah Stover, Jesse Gallant

1. Introduction and Welcome: Welcome Brandon Raco who joined us tonight. Brandon is interested in being involved in the KNA.
2. Agenda and minutes from November 1, 2022 meeting approved.
3. Councillor's Update: Stephanie provided update in Maureen's absence due to conflicting meeting schedule.
 - a) HAAA park renovations phase 1 has been delayed until the Spring due to supply/procurement issues related to the new play structure equipment. As a result the spray pad will not be available at HAAA this summer. The Field House design/renovations will be available January 16 on the city website for comments and input from residents.
 - b) Sewer issues: Identified problems with sewer cross connections continue. On a positive note this newly elected council have alerted residents to problems in a timely manner.
 - c) Susan asked for update on installation of lighting for trail at Glenside and Chedoke GC. Residents appeal not successful and work will commence to install lighting.
 - d) Jennifer requested Ward 1 office assistance in connecting with HSR re: request to provide a bus for May food drive. Stephanie will follow up and report back.
 - e) Gideon asked if Mayor Horwath is planning a "State of the City" address this term. Stephanie will inquire.
4. Police Update:
 - a) Crime Manager's Office has undergone personnel changes with 2 new crime managers assigned to Wards 2 and 3. Sgt Butt will continue as Ward 1 crime manager for 2023.
 - b) HPS new police recruits are now attending Police College.
 - c) Crime occurrences report: 116 occurrences in Ward 1 for 2022. Project Discovery dealing with domestic violence reports from Nov 23-Dec 23 2022 resulted in 86 charges laid and 19 arrests.
 - d) Susan asked if changes made at King and Dundurn (south/north) intersection advanced green to end of light cycle had resulted in less collisions. Sgt. Butt will check and report back.

- e) Sgt. Butt encouraged us to contact him at abutt@hamiltonpolice.ca if we have any other questions or concerns.
- 5. Police Superintendent Advisory Committee: No report
- 6. Guest Speakers: None
- 7. Communications: Website was down for a brief period of time and when it was reset it doesn't show our Fall events and stops at summer events. Jen will speak to Dale to correct website. Bios still needed for Jesse, Meltem and Sarah.
- 8. Planning Committee: Committee not currently active.
- 9. Development Committee: Condo building behind Aberdeen Gardens retirement Home only current project in development . Brandon expressed interest in joining this committee. Mark will connect Brandon with Doreen's contact information.
- 10. Treasurer's Report: Opening Balance Nov 1/22 \$8454.18. Closing balance Dec31/22 \$8298.81. Note: \$3100 donation to mission Services and expense cheque of \$258.54 went through on Jan3/23 so year end balance is \$4940.27.
- 11. Events Report:
 - a) May 6, 2023 Food drive. Bag submitted to printer early December. \$5500 in sponsor donations secured. Sponsors down this year. Judy Marsales and Squires on Locke did not renew. Food Drive committee to meet in January.
 - b) Holiday Crafting Party: About 50 attendees. First in person event since 2020 so may need to promote event to build back numbers. Not able to co-ordinate with Locke Street BIA holiday date this year.
- 12. New Business: None
Next meeting; Tuesday February 7, 2023 at 7 pm.