



Meeting Minutes

Meeting Purpose:

Monthly meeting of the Kirkendall Neighbourhood Association (KNA) Executive.

Chairperson: Mark Stewart

Attendees:

Jen Fraser

Susan Millman

Mark Stewart

Mark Havenaar (Blessings Church)

David Y. Smith

Cllr. Maureen Wilson

Agenda

No.	Item
1	Introduction and Welcome
2	Approval of agenda, approval of minutes from last meeting February meeting minutes approved.
Standing Items	
3	Councillor's Update – Cllr. Wilson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redevelopment of HAAA going out for tender, hopefully starting when school is out. Will finish in 2026 • Shave and pave of Aberdeen when school finishes for the summer. Scope of work includes section between Studholme and Dundurn. Sidewalks won't be touched. • Reconstruction of Aberdeen will be done in phases, start time tbd. • Dundurn from Stanley to Hill Street will have shave and pave during reconstruction • South Street, Beulah, Hunter, Canada, Jackson will all receive shave and pave in 2026 • Sewer lining work to be done this summer on Beulah. • Ward 1 meeting rescheduled to April 1 at MIP. HPS will be in attendance. Neighbourhood Associations welcome to have display table promoting their initiatives.



4	Police Update – the following report was provided by Sgt. Kevin Jones: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 14 occurrences in February<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 1 assault○ 2 thefts from auto○ 1 break & enters○ 2 sexual violations○ 8 theft under \$5000 (no discernible trend - A mix of retail, gas drive off, and package theft)○ 0 theft over \$5000○ 0 robbery
5	Police Superintendent Advisory Committee Report – haven't received any notices of meetings
6	Guest Speakers – none
7	Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Website Changes<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No update• Past month's social media/Facebook issues<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No update
8	Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No update
9	Community Garage Sale – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To be held Saturday, May 31, recommend 8:00 a.m. to noon.• Create a Google Form for people to sign up• Provide map with sale locations that people can download from the KNA website• Create poster that participants can download from website to advertise around their location• Send email after March break to gauge interest Music Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meltem & David working on this and have connected with people in community who are involved with the local music scene, and have also met with Locke Street BIA. There is a great deal of interest in raising the profile of the local music scene.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BIA has list of local musicians and established their fee of \$150 per musician for 2 hour sets on Locke Street• There is interest/opportunity to include amateur musicians• Venues – HAAA not available this summer due to redevelopment. Outdoor event could include local parks: Hill St Park, Canada Street, Beulah Park, Highland Gardens (the Rez), Victoria Park, Chedoke Golf Course clubhouse/parking lot. Would need access to power. MIP Biergarten area also a possibility.• Funding<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ KNA funding○ Sponsorships○ Grants – city or local foundations• Collaboration – possible community groups to partner with, including some who already do music events• Equipment – history of music stores on Locke Street being supportive• Staffing - need additional people to make this event happen. Possible to find volunteers who would help• Do as a calendar series event – host new events but also promote existing events that are already organized. Some could be professional; some could be amateur.• Next steps:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ formalize discussion and draft plan to review.○ Create template by March 31 to plan development.○ Create a draft integrated calendar with rows for various existing music events that we would stitch together/raise awareness of, various types of venues, including porches/residents’ gardens, multicultural groups.○ Host collaborative working session April 16, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at MIP. Can provide pizza. Mark to book venue, David to invite people to participate.• Promotion: Basic calendar on KNA website that could be used. Proposed bulletin board on Locke Street (BIA needs to pick a location)
10	Treasurer’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jen provided updated financials for month of February.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Opening balance January 1: \$7,712.98○ Closing Balance January 31: \$7,709.23○ Balance allocations:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ \$483.05 for Development Committee▪ \$250 for 2025 Food Drive○ Available funds for KNA activities: \$6,976.18



11	Event Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Food Drive 2025<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Food bag has been submitted to printer for production○ Hugo approaching schools to get volunteers. Working on poster to engage people to get involved.○ Next steps: reach out to past volunteers, introducing Hugo. He will reach out to them when he gets back after March break. Jen meeting with Hugo this week.○ Fortinos not available for bagging date. Will revisit next year.• Upcoming Events<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ April 19 – Easter Egg Hunt – Vanessa willing to take lead on event.○ May 3 – Food Drive○ May 10 – Compost Sale. Reaching out to get truck.
	New Business
12	Other new Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AGM Thursday, April 24 – Agenda (draft)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Welcome○ Agenda & Minutes approval○ KNA info & background, activities○ Survey results (David)○ Call for elections○ Councillor update○ 2nd call for elections○ HPS Sgt. Jones Update○ Possible speakers:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ LRT update (Mark to reach out)▪ Public Art (Susan to reach out)▪ Forge update (Mark to reach out)▪ BARC (Susan to reach out)
13	Wrap-up and next Meeting date: Tuesday, April 24 AGM, 7:00 p.m. at McMaster Innovation Park