



Meeting Minutes

Meeting Purpose:

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

Chairperson: Mark Stewart

Attendees:

Cllr. Maureen Wilson
Gideon Bell

Jen Fraser
Susan Millman

Mark Stewart

Agenda

No.	Item
1	Introduction and Welcome
2	Approval of agenda, approval of minutes from last meeting Approved unanimously.
Standing Items	
3	Councillor's Update – Cllr. Wilson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public event Tuesday October 14, 7:00 pm at The Westdale Theatre – Speaker Brian Hill will present historical overview of Treaties and why they're important. Coincides with Treaties Week. Future event on Wednesday, November 5 – Wampum Belts Woven Through Anishinaabe History, also taking place at The Westdale Theatre. Both events are free. • 276 Aberdeen Hart Hub – Open House – New date – October 17. Moved to avoid Kanetskare Elementary School 50th Anniversary Open House Oct. 16 • City of Hamilton Stormwater fee – rate provides dedicated funding stream for stormwater system maintenance/improvements. Encourages commercial and residential properties to develop onsite plan through redesign of landscaping to hold water on property so it's not all dumped into stormwater system. Incentives added to program – rainbarrel, permeable driveway. Green Venture working as a partner to provide support to public for modification options.



4	Police Update – Sgt. Kevin Jones was absent but provided the following report via email <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20 occurrences during the month of September<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Arson – 1○ Assault – 1 (Domestic)○ Break and Enter – 0○ Robbery – 0○ Sexual Assault – 1 (Domestic)○ Theft From Auto – 10○ Theft Over \$5,000 – 0○ Theft Under \$5,000 – 7• There does not seem to be any trends to identify. Thefts from auto are scattered across the whole neighbourhood.
5	Police Superintendent Advisory Committee Report – no update.
6	Guest Speakers – none
7	Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Past month’s social media<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Vanessa has stepped away from social media; need to find someone to take this on• Adding Community Event Calendar to website<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Open to public, but events would be vetted before it goes public.○ Would need to include legal paragraph to minimize liability (not an endorsement of the event, not affiliated with any political party, etc)○ Possible grant application from City?○ Gideon, Mark, David to discuss further○ Limit to events happening in Kirkendall (eg. Native Plant Sale, Food Drive as part of Halloween on Hyde Park,
8	Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development Review Committee<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No update
9	Music Initiative Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">• edits for survey complete. Distribute through newsletter, social media, ward 1 newsletter
10	Treasurer’s Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jen provided updated financials for the month of September:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Opening balance September 1: \$9,354.60○ Closing Balance September 30: \$10,100.85 (increase due to 2025 Food Drive payments coming in



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Balance allocations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$483.05 for Development Committee ○ Available funds for KNA activities: \$5,478.80
11	<p>Events Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Food Drive 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Missing Premier Mortgage sponsorship, should be coming in soon ● Food Drive 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Started getting ready for May 2, 2026 Food Drive ○ Vanessa Reid has stepped away from social media but has agreed to support Food Drive marketing in collaboration with Vanessa Ramsey (graphic design) ○ Dale can look after webpage for Food Drive. May also look after social media. ○ Hugo onboard for volunteer recruitment ○ Printer – Feb. 20 due date for bag ○ Update sponsorship kit; get sponsors lined up ○ Booking MIP dock ○ Reaching out HSR for bus ● Fall Outreach – Community Appreciation Day (in lieu of Pumpkin sale) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ October 18, 10:00 am to 11:30 a.m., Blessings Christian Church ○ Craft, Cider, Cookies - Take home craft for kids, warm cider and cookies to go. ○ Inflatables ○ Susan to send out email newsletter in the week leading up to the date; Dale will update website. Mark to do social media postings if no one else available. ● Holiday Crafting Party – November 29 (date to be confirmed) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Student volunteer lined up to help. ○ 10:00 a.m. to noon. Arrive 8:30 to set up, leave by 12:30 – 1:00. ● Community Fridge/Pantry shopping trip – Jen and Susan - December 6 or 13 ● Garage Sale 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will proceed with last Saturday in May (May 30th) ○ Looking at lawn signs ○ Looking at sponsorship and distribution for lawn signs. ● Grant Request – City of Hamilton funding opportunity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Need 1 page request letter. Stephanie in Ward One office to send details of limit of grant, what kinds of initiatives they’re interested in funding. ○ Possible funding idea – A-Frame sign. Previous grant – design work, printing for 2 pop-up banners.
	New Business
12	<p>Other new Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No new business
13	Wrap-up and next Meeting date: November 4, 2025