

Glen Williams
Community Association
Our Village, Our Voice.

Minutes of the Board Meeting held via Zoom

December 1, 2021

Present:

Dobinson, Claudia Russell, Kate Murray, Aimee Cichocki, Derek Remes, Fernanda Amaral, Joan Griffin, Jenny Humphries, Anthea Hoare

Regrets:

Krystin

Opening Remarks from Chair – Welcome to ALL. Introductions made. Anthea and Krystin are expected to join later.

Agenda accepted as distributed – with one exception. Don asked that ST be added to the discussion at some point.

Minutes received and accepted as distributed

HOUSEKEEPING:

Meetings will be held on the last Wednesday in the month from 7 to 9 PM. No later than 9:00 PM.

Meeting will remain as zoom for the time being, but all wished to see a return to in-person meetings.

Board Officer Positions: Kate went over them as according to legislation and our by-laws – very generally and encouraged everyone to read them to see the distinctions and the legal requirements. Some positions are very time consuming, others less so. And encouraged everyone to consider their option and availability to stand.

Board structure: With a similar theme, Joan and Kate spoke about the Town workshop on board governance they had attended the night before. Two themes were evident – one, the importance of new legislation and secondly, leadership by the board. Board Officers do not have sole responsibility for leadership and the importance of establishing additional committees was recognized by all. We need to discuss this all further once we get going on our ‘themes’ and how to do the work.

It was recommended that all of this be discussed further at the January meeting. Themes and proposal, that Claudia and Krystin respectively, submitted can be used as a foundation for that meeting.

Anthea joined at 7:30 pm

NEWSLETTER:

Aimee gave update on the migrating of our web-hosting – she is working with Steve and Sandy on a solution.

Aimee stated that it would really help if there was a subcommittee to assist with the newsletter. She is to state her needs and how others can help.

Kate suggested that we consider in the future have a meeting with the Town Hall Board and all other groups operating in the Glen to discuss similar issues and how to work more collaboratively. The newsletter could be instrumental in doing this kind of collaborative work.

Claudia asked that any issue ideas be sent to Aimee. Fernanda suggested we have a communications team, and that we focus on Glen News.

Development (See end of minutes for attachment)

Don will forward the variance information to Aimee

Don put a motion on the table

That the Glen Williams Community Association apply to the OMB to change our status from 'Party' to 'Participant'

Seconded by Fernanda

General discussion

Vote – All In Favour – Passed

Fernanda reported on a discussion with CVC regarding the Bishop Court Development. Fernanda asked that there be action on this before the end of the month

Traffic

September 29th, 2021 the results from the 200 surveys received to date are being evaluated. The responses have been very diverse thus far. Kate will start analysis and send out results to all via email before the next meeting. Kate recommended that the GWCA have a meeting with the Town in January to discuss the results once the survey results are in.

Claudia stated that the Survey Monkey is a good tool. Kate said that, using a base of 1200 households, 200 responses was excellent, especially if the 'open' rate of the newsletter is 500, then this is amazing. But more can be done to make this top-notch.

Kate strongly advocated that the GWCA go door to door at some point in the future to 1) boost membership 2) discuss the GWCA and issues of concern and 3) continue to fill out traffic surveys

Kate suggested board members can start by canvassing their own areas and discuss areas of concern

Board had brief In Camera discussion

THEMES

Claudia moved that we move discussion of these to the January meeting,

Seconded by Jen, All In Favour – Passed

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Fernanda suggested that everyone send an idea of in what they might be interested regarding the various positions before the next meeting. Inform Kate via email if you wish to stand for an officer position, or Kate will contact you directly.

Jen asked permission to request Krystin about putting the survey in the Glen Williams News

There was a general discussion of this idea, and consensus was to do this, provided there was a rider stating that this was a repeat of the previous survey

Claudia suggested that the Board meet for a small Christmas Get Together at The Copper Kettle, possibly on December 9. To Be confirmed

Meeting closed at 9:00pm

Next Meeting January 26 2022

UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENT ETC PROJECTS – DEC 1, 2021 BOARD MTG

DEVELOPMENTS

1. The Chase

- a. At the Oct 4/21 Council meeting, little detail was given of the actions planned to address the flooding. However within days (and with no alert to neighbors or GWCA), installation was started on a major drainage pipe (approx. 3' diameter) ending at entrance to stormwater sewer in front of Griffin property.
- b. DJR and Wayne Van Hinte have recently noted a "hands off" approach by Engineering.

2. McMaster-Megan

- a. DJR/B Cox met with Town reps on Nov 30 to discuss two outstanding issues re the plan.
 - i. GWCA provided details on prior construction issues when Wildwood was rebuilt.
 - ii. We pressured the Town to ensure a thorough plan for Wildwood construction. This is a major issue with impact for 1+ years on many residents.
 - iii. GWCA do not "like" proposed buffer size (5 possibly 6 metres)
Case is weakened by editing of GWSP Update report to 5 – 10 meters.

Town (particularly Parks) don't agree with 5 meters but will be a difficult position to argue with updated GWSP. Suspect Town lawyer will recommend against opposing.

- b. OMB has called for a Case Management Conference meeting re M-M Jan 25/21
 - i. Has asked for a list of outstanding issues & proposed schedule. EO counsel to draft
 - ii. GWCA has Party status so have input to the discussions.
Brian and Don feel we have gained all we are going to get re M-M.

DJR recommends we drop Party status and work with Town to create one shared list of issues. Must decided soon.

3. GWE

- a. Due to workload, GWCA team has yet to prepare rebuttals to developer's responses to GWCA's submitted list of issues.
- b. Plan to meet with Chris Sargent when have draft rebuttals prepared.
Also to get material on their submittals and Town responses.

4. Bishop Court – Phase 2

- a. Nothing to report; GWCA yet to start formal review.
- b. People can present individual arguments/concerns; ignore the stated deadline.

Don Robinson