

GWCA MISSION STATEMENT:
*To maintain the hamlet character of Glen Williams by
engaging and communicating with its residents and other stakeholders.*

GWCA Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 8 /25 @ 7:00 PM, Joan's house

- **Present:** Joan, Anthea, Derek, Steve, Roger, Ilde, Mike (secretary)
- **Absent:** Ken

- **Welcome**
 - Motion to accept and approve agenda: Derek, Ilde seconded. Carried.
 - Motion to accept and approve meeting minutes of Nov.5 /25: Mike, Anthea seconded. Carried.
 - Decide who will take minutes – Mike to take minutes.

- **Updates**
 - **Development Committee:**
 - a) 102 Confederation St. (Canvas Hill) – issues with dump trucks lining up along Confederation St. for access to site. GWCA contacted Town Councillors re: no flag person on duty, as this created a significant safety hazard. They were going to talk to developer. Developer and Town need to be more proactive in enforcing safety by ensuring that flag personnel are on-site and active during these activities. Further investigation required with Town staff. In addition, heavy compacting around the property is real concern for adjacent residents and will be monitored
 - b) 159 Confederation St. – no word from OLT or Town legal counsel on status of date for mediation assessment. Of interest, supposedly a new provincial bill will propose doing away with ‘Secondary Plans’ approved by municipalities.
Action: Board to research the veracity of this bill and potential impacts
Looking for additional fundraising opportunities to cover legal and planning costs for contesting this development at OLT. Currently have \$31,000 in funds but will require more
Joan to connect with Claudia Russell re fundraising events for legal fund.

 - **Parks & Trails:**

Additional holiday lighting at Shelagh Law Parkette was well received. They were lit as part of the final Glen200 Bicentennial event (Christmas by the Credit) on Saturday, Dec.6. The Glen200 Working Group donated \$600 from excess fundraising funds to purchase these lights. Installation will be led by Light Up The Hills, thought they have asked for any volunteers from Board to help. Members of Glen200 also decorated Parkette with donations from residents, we hope to continue this activity through the GWCA ongoing.

 - **Traffic & Traffic Safety:**
 - a) Meeting with Town staff on Thursday, Dec.4 was attended by Joan and Roger. The primary focus was to collaboratively engage with Town Traffic Dept. to try to get to a strategy for the Glen vs continuing with isolated /disconnected reactionary solutions. Part of the discussion focused on consideration for ‘heritage district’ concept for Glen Williams. This is different than current actions by Town staff to clarify properties that are heritage of not. Further discussions, in January, with Town staff on the topic of heritage.
 - b) Long Term parking – Town claims that signage helped address parking issue in The Glen. The GWCA has requested any data in this regard and proposed that there needs to be a long-term plan for parking.

- c) Truck signage – ‘No Truck’ signs are in-place, and appropriate, in The Glen. However, what is missing is to properly define ‘truck routes’ around The Glen. These need to be posted in advance of ‘No Truck’ signs to provide guidance to truck drivers. Town staff agree and will address.
 - d) Traffic volume and speeding – Town staff to provide traffic volume and speeding data that they have secured.
 - e) Capital projects – Prince St. rebuild is now slated for 2029-30. Main St. re-construction is now scheduled for 2027 and will include work on 2 bridges (with 1 bridge needing replacement). GWCA need to ensure that the re-build of Main St. maintains the character of the hamlet. Town confirmed a public session will be held prior to any final design.
- **GWCA Fundraising:** at the December 7, Christmas in The Glen, the GWCA Christmas booth raised \$865 (ticket sales for Glen Tavern \$250 gift certificate). More tickets sold than in previous years.
- **Glen200:** Update on events – on Nov. 9, Community Social and Glen200 Year in Review at St Albans was very well attended and received. The final Glen200 activity, Dec.6 (Christmas by the Credit) was also very well received – a great family event. The Bicentennial Fair (September 27) was nominated for a provincial award and was runner-up for Culture Days! Final meeting of the Glen200 Working Group (mid-January) will focus on retrospective of the year in-review.
- **Next Events**
 - 2025 GWCA AGM is planned for Wednesday, Feb.18 at Town Hall. Notice to go out to public by January 13. Agenda needs to be confirmed / locked down by January 27. Board agreed, by motion, to make GWCA financials and AGM minutes available on our website in advance of 2025 AGM meeting vs incurring expensive printing costs as in previous years.
 - Board agreed to try to increase number of Board members to the max of 12 as allowed in ByLaws and to do so through public request to fill vacancies.
Action: Joan to include request to fill Board vacancies in social media post and Jan newsletter.
- **Other/New Business**
 - a) **Town Official Plan Review** - Town to gather information from a community meeting recently held (round 2) and schedule a round 3 meeting. Joan attending representing GWCA.
 - b) **Netflix in Your Neighbourhood** – this website featuring where they have made movies in Ontario and Glen Williams will be featured / profiled (e.g. Merry Little Xmas was partially filmed at Beaumont Mill)
 - c) **Board Business**
Mike Brown and Anthea Hoare confirmed intent to not sign up for another term on the Board.
New GWCA Board Members – discussed prospective new Board members to be ratified at the 2025 AGM on February 18.
Motion: For clarity purposes, the GWCA will use postal code to determine residency in Glen Williams for GWCA membership purposes. Motion: Roger, Second: Steve
Motion: To accept 3 new candidates for GWCA Board, as reviewed. Motion: Steve, Second: Ilde

Motion to Adjourn – Derek, Second: Ilde

Next Meeting Date: Monday, Wednesday, January 19 /26

Adjourn – 10:30pm