

MINUTES
CUMBERLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SEPT 27 2012

The meeting was called to order by Association President Rebecca Dufton at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance

Rebecca Dufton	President
Lynda DeViller	Treasurer
Eva Lyons	Acting Secretary
Anne Hawley	Social / Beautification Committee
Mathieu Blanchard	Farmers' Market
Charlotte Kerluke	Lions Liaison
Craig Clark	Web Site
Jim DeViller	Trails
Kevin Poll	Cardinal Creek Working Group
Euan Swan	174 Working Group
Clive Horne	Member at large

Guest: Stephen Blais Councillor, Cumberland Ward
Plus 23 residents

Recap of year's Activities

The President opened the meeting with a review of the CCA Mission and Vision statements and

- A review of the meeting agenda
- A request for volunteers and review of the activities where support is needed
- The CCA mandate to play a role in the Official Plan process and the many city planning and budgetary decisions
- The commitment to work closely with the Councillor's office and city staff on community issues
- The issues of the 174 Environmental Assessment and the highway widening, and the expansion of Ottawa's urban boundary from Trim Road into Cumberland as far as Ted Kelly/Frank Kenny Road.
- A short briefing of various successes of the past year – community banners, Autumn dinner dance, Winterfest, the outdoor rink, Spring Social, community clean-up and beautification, community garage sale, Art in the Park and the Farmer's Market.
- Re-affirmation of the partnership between the CCA and the local Lions Club

Mathieu Blanchard, Farmer's Market Manager

Mathieu Blanchard acknowledged the numerous Market volunteers present, and is pleased that their teamwork results in a Market that "runs itself". Highlights:

- There are 60 core vendors
- Expanded locations for the new banners will include locations along Dunning Road
- For fundraising, local churches and the CCA each took a week of Canteen duty
- Other fundraising opportunities include book sales

Jim DeViller, Trails Committee

With the aid of a large map detailing the trail network, Jim DeViller explained the liability impasse with the City and the private landowners, resulting in the trails continuing to be used informally.

Euan Swan, 174 Working Group

Euan Swan addressed the main issues:

- The safety and widening of the 174, with an ongoing petition to reduce the speed limit on the 174

- A thank you to the City for widening its EA study boundaries and in looking at alternative routes
- A request to lower the speed limit in the Village to 60 k/h

Kevin Poll, Cardinal Creek Village Working Group

The boundaries of the new community were explained, public consultation meetings continue to take place and the CCA is working closely with the developer, Taggart, to ensure that the ideas and opinions of the Cumberland residents are taken into account.

Nominations of executive members

President – Clive Horne
 Vice-President – vacant
 Past President – Rebecca Dufton
 Secretary – Eva Lyons
 Treasurer – Lynda DeViller

Nominations of board members

All current board members will return, with newcomer Anna Perron, Member at Large

Thank you

On behalf of the Board, Euan Swan thanked outgoing President Rebecca Dufton for her years of dedication, organization and passion.

Councillor's Report

Councillor Stephen Blais presented an overview of activities currently under way which affect our community. They included:

- A graph showing City of Ottawa taxes (fluctuating) vs spending (stable)
- "Ottawa on the Move" – road renewal: \$340M from 2012-2015 in capital renewal, \$133M in road renewal
- Upcoming scheduling of culvert work
- 174 blue highway signage is ready, noting Cumberland as a destination
- Noted concern and study of heavy truck traffic through Cumberland. Results are still being analyzed
- Wilfred Murray Park: tennis courts renewed. New play structure in 2013 with rubberized safety surface if grant is approved
- OC Transpo will maintain service on Route 221. The cost for rural bus fare has decreased by 18%, saving transit riders \$300 per year
- 360 new spots in the Park and Ride at Trim Road are complete
- Councillor Blais outlined the upcoming widening of Trim Road to 4 lanes (\$50M, completion November 2014) and installation of several new roundabouts between Old Montreal Road and Innes

General Discussion followed, with questions to Councillor Blais on topics such as:

- The possibility of City water in the Village
- The 174 widening and the EA study
- Rental costs of the Community Centre
- Problems with the 311 phone system

Treasurer's Report

- Lynda DeViller summarized results of activities since last meeting
- Present bank balance of \$6570.20 and petty cash balance of \$307.73

Next Meeting

Annual General Meeting, September 2013, 7 PM Cumberland Lions Hall

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.