

Minutes for QPRA Meeting of Directors—February 12, 2015

Meeting Location: 101 Queens Ave 7:30—9:29 pm

Present

- Berril Perks
- Deane Gurney
- Karen Smith (Secretary)
- Catherine Hutson
- Laura Drummond
- Bev McLellan
- Bob Davis

Regrets

- Jim Hutson
- Joan Davis
- Naomi Perks
- Steve North
- Liz Stafford

Minutes

1. Adoption of Minutes from January 12, 2015

Nominated: Berril Perks

Seconded: Deane Gurney

Approved

2. General Meeting Agenda (Feb 22, 2015):

- Agenda will be as follows:
 1. Confirm QPRA acting directors
 2. NWPD Presentation (Insp. Phil Eastwood)
 - 30 min. Will present first due to other commitments
 3. HRA Presentation (Jim Hurst for Julie Shueck)
 - 30 min
 4. City Presentation on Transport & Transit Plebiscite (re: letter from mayor & council)
 - 30 min. Councillor Jaime McEvoy
 - Berril to contact Jaime for clarification on what the City is asking of the QPRA, what is he presenting on, is he asking for the QPRA to vote, is a poll sufficient, and can this matter

wait until the Urban Academy matter is dealt with first

5. Urban Academy Poll
 - Last item on the agenda
 - Will not be providing an opportunity for debate
 - Poll of residents only, not a vote of members. QPRA will cross reference & scrutinize responses to remove duplicates and responses from non-residents
6. New Business (if time allows)
 - Catherine to contact Naomi re: flyer
 - Refreshments:
 - Laura & Deane to coordinate cookies (2 dozen)
 - Bev to bring box coffee, cups, sugar & cream for approx. 40 people

4. Urban Academy Follow Up

- Issue is the school expansion & construction proposal
- Earliest it will go to Council is approx. late March
- Berril clarified that Resident Associations are supposed to make recommendations to the City on behalf of the residents not take a neutral position, therefore QPRA has an obligation to be proactive and be a voice for the residents. Need to try to get majority representation from residents and pass on to the City. QPRA is not to take a position of its own.
- Process must have integrity and be transparent
- QPRA to take a poll of residents to gauge community sentiment and pass on info to City. Must be inclusive of whole neighbourhood
- Need more than one option for residents to respond to (need to cross check responses to avoid double counting):

1. Online Poll of residents via QPRA website
 - a. Poll question:

In regards to the UA expansion proposal I am:

Opposed, in favour, neutral
 - b. Must give a full name and full street address with postal code, email & phone number to ensure they're a resident.
 - c. Poll will run from Feb 16 to March 16.
2. Flyers to doors (Deane). Can respond by mail or online poll
3. Index cards at meeting on Feb 22, 2015
 - a. Poll question:

In regards to the UA expansion proposal I am:

Opposed, in favour, neutral

- b. Write info (name, address, postal cost, phone number & email address etc. to ensure they're residents)
- c. Laura to create 75 cards. Website email address to be included on card. Direct people to website or Facebook if they want to leave a comment
- d. Paper responses will be added to our electronic list

- Information provided will be kept confidential
- In accordance with bylaws each person can have a vote, not just one per household
- Need to keep detailed records of what we did. Documentation essential if we're audited
- Bev to connect to her neighbourhood contacts to sign up as members on website so they can participate in poll. We will not use their petition as counts towards the poll.

5. Process for Selection of Officers

- Discussion deferred

6. Laura Drummond's Proposal - Next Steps

- Discussion Deferred

Next Meeting

Monday, March 16, 2015

101 Queen's Ave