

Minutes - QPRA Directors Meeting— Jan. 13, 2017

Meeting Location: 218 Queens - 6:45 pm

Present:

Steve Norman, Gail Ancill, Catherine Hutson, Jim Hutson, Gail North, Kim Jansz, Martina Rempel, Steve North, Bev McLellan

Absent:

Kathleen Langstroth, Mari-Lou Nidle

1. Call to order and check for quorum

- Quorum met

2. Approval of Minutes from Oct. 11, 2016

- Moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes from the Nov. 29, 2016 directors meeting

3. Adoption of Agenda

- Moved, seconded and carried to adopt the agenda with additions

4. Reports from Committees (written if unable to attend in person):

Traffic/parking - Gail Ancill

- No meeting of this committee since last QPRA Directors Mtg - nothing to report

Policing - Bev McLellan

- No meeting of this committee since last QPRA Directors Mtg - nothing to report

OCP - Bev McLellan

- No meeting of this committee since last QPRA Directors Mtg - nothing to report

Heritage Working Group - Steve North

- Last meeting focussed on presentation of draft policy for HCA
- HWG not supportive of draft presented
- Next steps - round 2 of community consultation
- Report has been prepared on progress to date --- this provide an opportunity for the QPRA to respond to and/or endorse the position presented in the report
- Info to note: Council will not likely endorse policy which eliminates the potential for any demolitions
- QPRA directors should make every effort to attend the next stakeholders meeting (CHC, NWHPS, QPRA)
- Discussion around the online survey and the reasons they are being sent to all New West residents rather than just those in Queen's Park
- Moved, seconded and carried to have a letter sent from the QPRA to Britney to identify concerns with the process. Should include:

- Focus of the next consultation should be on the residents of QP rather than all of New West
- Should survey respondents be identified by postal code so responses can be separated between QP and the rest of New West
- Comments (both positive and negative) should be separated geographically so appropriate weight can be applied
- Why are real estate agents and developers being included as having input into the process
- **ACTION: Kathleen & Steve will draft the letter and circulate for review/input from directors prior to sending on to Britney**

CHC - Catherine Hutson

- Last meeting included discussion on signage including recognition when heritage colours used - not supported
- Demolition of 326 Arbutus was supported by CHC
- New members to CHC not yet identified

Council Meetings - Kathleen Langstroth and Steve Norman

- Arenex - short, medium, and long term planning/solutions being done. A temporary structure is expected to be up in 8-12 months
- Fire damaged house on 3rd street was approved for demolition
- Solar garden-consideration being given to constructing a solar garden where residents can purchase panel and receive credits for power used
- Hyak Association Presentation - included a request for additional funding
- Snow removal, salting, and sanding usage and costs were reported

New Westminster Residents Associations Forum - Kathleen Langstroth

- Nothing to report

Social Media - Mari-Lou Nidle

- Mary-Lou absent so no report.

Treasurer's Report - Martina Rempel

- Everything in the process of being transferred over to Martina
- **ACTION: Martina following through with updating signing authorities on the account**

5. Unfinished Business

Website - Kim Jansz, Bev McLellan

- Kim & Bev reported that QPRA now has full control of all aspects of the website/email distribution lists/ etc.

Meeting Jan 6 with John Stark

- Meeting was to discuss QPRA not having representation on the Technical Review Panel and also the apparent secrecy around discussions at the TRP
- Council identified the issue as being the Working Group rather than the TRP but this is apparently being clarified.
- Moved, seconded, carried that should the QPRA be approached to provide representation to the Technical Review Panel, Steve Norman and Jim Hutson will be put forward.

City Sponsored Workshops

- Questions raised around the validity/integrity of the information gathered at the community meetings and what kind of weight it is being given in the process

6. New Business:

1. QPRA General Meeting

- February 19 is the proposed date
- Speakers have been identified
- QPRA should be prepared to put forward a recommended position on the HCA at this meeting to request support from membership at large
- Flyers will be prepared and distributed to announce meeting information

2. Joint meeting of QPRA and NWHPS

- Meeting is to strategize about events and education regarding the HCA
- Gail Ancill offering to host the meeting - date not yet determined

3. College Court Home Owner's letter

- Inaccurate information in the letter should be identified to the owner
- Two main issues raised are around property rights and property values
- Education around these issues needs to occur
- **ACTION: Kathleen & Steve will include a rebuttal to the owner's letter within their letter to Britney**

4. AGM Minutes

- Moved, seconded, and carried to approve the AGM meeting minutes to put forward for adoption at the next general meeting on Feb. 19, 2017

Meeting Adjourned 9:12 pm

Next Meeting - Date not set