

Minutes - QPRA AGM— November 29, 2020

Meeting Location: via Zoom - 2 p.m.

Directors Present:

Gail North, Kim Jansz, Steve North, Catherine Hutson, Steve Norman, Tera Nicholson, Mari-Lou Nidle, Dai Martin, Gail Ancill, Ronda Field, Martina Rempel

1. Call to order at 2:07 p.m. and check for quorum

- Quorum met with 48 in attendance via zoom at that point

2. Adoption of Agenda

- Moved by Martina Rempel and seconded by Rich Patterson to adopt agenda

3. Housekeeping / Voting Procedures

- Voting procedures reviewed for attendees.
- Attendees asked to sign virtual attendance sheet
- At an AGM, residents must have been a member for 30 days prior to meeting date to be able to vote.

4. Adoption of Previous Minutes

- Moved by Dai Martin and seconded by Ronda Field

5. Reports

President's Report

- HRA for 515 Fourth Street (duplex existing house, build secondary infill house, stratify all 3) was not approved by Mayor and council
- Queen's Park Deli at 404 Second Street has applied for an HRA; increase square footage, add basement
- City has removed dry cleaning business from future commercial use but full inclusion of other business is very concerning to residents (restaurant, convenience store)
- Expect public hearing on HRA for January 25, 2021
- HRA for 221 Townsend Place - presentation today

Treasurer - Martina Rempel

- QPRA has a current balance of \$1375.58. This comes from donations from residents and annual grant of \$200 from the city.
- Received the \$100 covid 2020 grant from City of New West to put towards cost of zoom subscription

Traffic/parking - Martina Rempel

- Temporary left turn restriction at First Street onto Royal Avenue was implemented in June 2020

- the City will collect the data in 6 - 8 months from surrounding streets to compare traffic volumes and see if this restriction has helped reduced traffic from cutting through the neighbourhood to make this illegal left; City will advise QPRA of results and we will present them to the residents

6. Election of directors

- On the ballot - 10 existing directors and 2 residents putting their names forward, Lorraine Brett and Andrea Molitor; one nomination received from the floor by Dai Martin of Jennifer Vanderzalm
- Directors elected: Catherine Hutson, Martina Rempel, Gail Ancill, Mari-Lou Nidle, Kim Jansz, Steve North, Gail North, Tera Nicholson, Dai Martin, Ronda Field, Andrea Molitor, Jennifer Vanderzalm

7. Councillor Nadine Nakagawa, QPRA Liaison

- Supports openness of council, engagement of the residents
- Attendees had questions about cool streets, bike routes, planned HRAs
- Agreed to have a Q & A zoom with residents in near future to discuss various neighbourhood issues

8. HRA proposed for 221 Townsend Place. Presentation by Christa MacArthur (architect), Elana Zysblat (heritage consultant) and homeowner Mattia Nichelle

- 221 Townsend is a protected property under the HCA and is not in danger of being demolished.
- Homeowner wants to subdivide lot and build 4 bedroom home on second lot
- Result would be 2 x 2300 sq ft lots
- Some residents pleased with restoration plans for existing home
- Residents voiced concerns over change in streetscape and loss of yard space
- Other residents upset that new house is far too large on such a small sized lot

9. Move to adjourn

Moved to adjourn at 4:37 p.m.