

FCA Executive Meeting October 19, 2016, Tanglewood Community Centre

Draft Minutes

Present: Gary Sealey, Klaus Beltzner, Philip Bartlett, Graeme Roderick, Rod MacLean for Kul Kapoor, Maria Luisa Marti, Bruce Lindsay, Bob Brocklebank, Don Stewart, Agnes Warda, Chad Rollins, Alex Cullen, Shelia Perry, Phil Sweetnam, Lorne Cutler

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm

Gary moved seconded by Bob it was approved that Rod would act as Secretary while Kul Kapoor is away until early December.

2. Adjustment to the Agenda

So that Klaus may leave early, Gary moved seconded by Don that the meeting agenda be adjusted so as to begin with past meeting minutes, then receive committee updates, followed by general meetings themes and conclude with new items: detailed

committee budgeting, road signage and using City parks as public campgrounds.

3. Status of Past General Meeting Minutes

Rod indicated that the draft minutes for October 11th general meeting would be distributed by October 22 weekend. The draft minutes for the June AGM need to be distributed so they may be reviewed while memories may be clear. Because Maureen has the attendance sheets for the September general meeting the draft minutes for that meeting should be ready for consideration at the November general meeting. FCA will need to send in the most recent general meeting minutes.

4. Committee Updates

i. Communications **Maria Luisa** reported that the Committee is

working to on access to passwords for all FCA on line accounts. As a

group the committee is getting more organized and making progress in

setting its terms of reference. The committee in support of the Planning

and Zoning issued a media release on the City's Coach House decision.

Maria Luisa requested that the names of all media that the Committee

might wish to contact be sent to her. The committee is using a drop box as a repository and provide instructions. Thierry and Bob

are committee co-chairs with Gary, Shelia, Maria Luisa, Phil, Jean Chenier, and Frank its members. The next Committee meeting will

be on November 2nd.

ii. Governance Bob reported that he has had no response from City Manager Steve Kanellakos about further meetings regarding the City's public engagement strategy. Also the City's governance review included a requirement that Protective Services review the City By-laws by the end of the end of the 1st quarter of 2015. There has been no public mention of such a report, so Bob will follow up on whether there had been a report. Gary asked why Quebec community associations pay considerable attention to social issues ranging from people, motherhood, families, homelessness and refugees. Chad suggested that not know of community social interests He indicated that Action Sandy Hill is involved with homeless shelters. Don Stewart pointed out that FCA needs a person to undertake the lead in having FCA become involved in social issues. Bob and Maria Luisa will review issues to resolve whether the matter is a Governance committee or an Operations/Logistics committee matter. Finally Bob has distributed the Report on the FCA Survey to which only 20 responses were received. Alex pointed out that FCA will benefit

from this experience by devising a survey that organizations and residents of Ottawa will want to respond to.

iii. Operations/Logistics Committee Chad said that the proposed Operations/Logistics Committee will have its initial meeting on Sunday, October 23. The meeting will consider internet addresses and terms of reference as well as what FCA efficiency improvement efforts may be in progress.

5. Themes for General Meetings

iv. A New Civic Hospital - a civic issue of multiple dimensions: Group General Discussions Shelia stated that the New Civic Hospital panel at the Oct. 11 meeting had produced good basic results. The group discussions on issues produced the ten following items:: Value and Outcomes; Facility – heritage, size ie. 25 or 60 acres, location; Community Needs; Why not all at one site to service the community; Process transparency; Seek a Win-Win solution without compromise – health vs. Farm; Connectivity with Environmental footprint; Operational efficiency with Teaching; Transportation Needs in 25 years; and Needs gap analysis required. The recommendations proposed by the groups were:: Seek tangible outcomes ie. Parking – hospital responsibility, Size – examine this; Rebuild on same site; Examine two different sites for trauma and education; Evaluate the need for a new hospital; Transportation needs survey required; Funding is a Provincial responsibility; Funding Alternatives need to be investigated ie. \$120 M to \$132 M. Two other comments from the groups were: If the degradation of a historical site to be a pinnacle of changing status and what's next? and Pave over parks? Improving the statements is needed, so Klaus will work with Shelia. Don - meeting outcome

still undetermined. Alex focus should be on the farm. Shelia will send a letter to the MPP, Federal Government, the NCC and City of Ottawa

v. **OMB review at Manotick** Shelia proposed that the November meeting be led by a panel. The purpose of the panel is to encourage those participants to become knowledgeable about the OMB functioning such that they will be able to make a submission to the Provincial Government by the deadline of December 19th. The panel will consist of a City Councillor, a lawyer, a GOBA representative, and either a member of the Committee of Adjustment or a member of the Greenspace Alliance. The choice is to invite a highly qualified and involved Greenspace person. After panel statements, breakout groups will discuss the topic at the high level set by the panel. Klaus wants the public communication worded in a manner as to attract as many participants will fill the room. All FCA member submissions will be posted on FCA website. Bob suggested that Imagine Ottawa would be the best publicity vehicle for the FCA submission which can be refined at the November 14 Board meeting.

vi. **The Overbrook Theme** The meeting is to focus on the consultants' report about a proposed Truck Tunnel to HWY 417. Because the Truck Tunnel is primarily an information project FCA interest needs points of reference, a sharing of information, a knowledgeable speaker, producing good support for an FCA approach. Alex pointed out that the idea is not approved by City Council nor is the estimated \$2 billion financing has not been authorized by anyone. Don suggested that toll bridges be used to pay for a toll truck tunnel to HWY 417. Lorne noted that \$2 billion would need a very expensive toll to pay off \$2 billion dollars in a couple of decades rather than 100 years. Rod noted that it is about saving lives in the local community, so a bridge and truck only tunnel should be

involved. Klaus. pointed out that housing would be better use of funds. How does this fold into the subject Transportation Master plan City of Ottawa? It would be an MTO inter-provincial project. This discussion shows the need to define the theme and actual approach for the meeting. Themes for the 2017 meetings will be discussed at the December 8th meeting.

6. New Business

vii. **Committee Budgeting** Lorne distributed a Table setting out the preliminary approach to the detailed financial planning required for FCA. The objective is to have various events by FCA Committees categorized indicating how much their yearly expenses are to be and where the revenues should come from. This identifying the resources used to stage which events of the Planning Advisory, the Transportation and the Communications Committees will maintain compliance with the FCA business plans. In that way assure community associations that FCA gives value for their money received. Essentially FCA will budget for and organize two or three event each year. The process maybe not be perfect but it is a start which FCA can and will improve upon.

7. Resuming Committee Updates

viii. **Planning & Zoning Committee** Shelia indicated that the committee supports individual community associations and deals with the key City-wide issues such as the Coach Houses By-law. In July FCA secured a public meeting on those secondary dwellings attended by 30 some people and then made a submission to the City. Shelia expected to discuss the staff responses to the submission but there were none. The City

proposal was placed on the October 6th agenda of the Agricultural & Rural Affairs Committee and on October 11 agenda of the Planning Committee. In addition to making presentations to the Planning Committee, FCA prepared a fact sheet distributed to the press. The Fact sheet was the base for a CBC review of Coach House issues. The result of the effort is that the City staff are to report to the Planning Committee two years after City Council passes the Coach House By-law. This is to permit the City's Planning Committee to assess whether any modification to the Coach House By-law may be required. FCA wants to have a sunset clause installed in the By-law given its lack of definitions, its failure to deal with the impact of Coach House foundations and the total disregard for damage to tree roots. On a motion by Shelia, seconded by Alex, Shelia will prepare and submit a letter expressing FCA's concerns to the City Clerk before the October 26 Council meeting where the Coach House By-law is to be considered. In addition Shelia will renew and reissue its fact sheet press release. All FCA and community association documents including those on Coach Houses will be posted on the FCA website.

ix. R4 Zoning Looming issue which requires clarification, as Chad pointed out, is R4 Zoning does because R 4 Zoning does not include the expected limitations on site setbacks and building heights

x. Transportation Committee Alex stated that the TPT Committee will seek to have the Transportation Master Plan updated. FCA needs a representative to support Vision Zero campaign end deaths and serious injury from street collisions. Alex will contact Walk Ottawa on status of Vision Zero campaign and will let Executive know prior to

posting. Transportation Committee has not discussed the Truck Tunnel. Transportation Committee: will meet November 15 at Dalhousie C A.

8. Resumed New Business

xi. Road Signs Don drew attention to a notice from the Province proposing to allow advertising signage along Provincial Highways

xii. Permitting Campgrounds in Centretown Parks Maria Luisa asked whether FCA is aware that City Parks would be made available to campers during the July 1st 150 Celebrations. Major concerns raised are sanitation, safety and frequent park litter clean-up needs, restoration.

FCA is to ask Diane Deans and Dan Chenier about these concerns..

xiii. Longitudinal Crime Stats Gary noted that Jean Francois was working on obtaining City Crime Stats for FCA on a longitudinal basis. The police must keep such longitudinal information to identify trends and be aware of criminal behaviour so as to respond as intervention is required. The crime stats are expected to be available for the March general meeting. FCA's goal is generate interest in community policing, neighbourhood watches and in organizing community association safety committees.

Adjournment at 8:50 pm