

## Blackburn Community Association Meeting

### Agenda – Sept 21, 2017 at the BH Community hall

7:15 p.m.

7:15 p.m. – Splash Pad Community meeting

Councillor Mitic discussed with the city. Available funding – Mitic -100,000, City 100,000, 100,000 from BCA. 100% confirmation the city would match it dollar for dollar what the community raises. Choices of location will be narrowed down by the city based on requirements and it will be brought to the community for consultation. BCA needs to vote on the amount of money that we are willing to give and what we still need to raise. **Directors meeting required to deal with the funding discussion and decisions.**

7:30 p.m. – Official BCA meeting called to order. – Laura called to order

7:31 p.m. - Minutes Approved – amendment to June minutes – 8000 from city grant Minutes approved by Bill Horne. Seconded by Chelsey Wynne.

7:32 p.m. President's report (Laura Dudas)

- Harvest Moon – Excellent event turn out. Approx 13000 spent of the 16000 budget.
- Community beautification project update - sculpture presented, metal. Represents dancing. Abstract 8-10 feet tall, and 10-12 feet wide. Amica corner. Pathway behind with boulders. Budd donating plants, Lafarge being approached about the stones. Community meeting in November with the volunteer team, artist, contractor and LAURA. The chosen metal is intentional and will be explained. NO Budget currently spent... the current planned cost is 17,500 plus the cost of the contractor, which is estimated to be an additional \$4,000. A plaque will be installed to indicate this is an art piece and not for climbing. **Action item: Laura to update team with final cost prior to community meeting.**
- Audit of BCA finances and upcoming meeting with the City – City meeting upcoming to discuss the financial reporting. We will presenting the priorities and an audit will be done (\$\$ in the 2018 budget) **Action item: Al to confirm auditor and start process.**
- Dog park – upcoming meeting to be discussed

7:40 p.m. – Vice-President's report (Jeff)

- BCA funded bench, placement and additional cost (for a decision) - \$1300 additional funds required from the BCA to be able to choose the placement and put the bench in the best spot. Plaque – courtesy of the Blackburn Community Association. Motion by LINDA - to approve up to 2000 to make the bench accessible and include the plaque – Passed  
**Action item for Jeff to get back to city with BCA decision.**

7:45 p.m. – Treasurer's report (Al)

- Overview of current financial state – Al was not present, but submitted his report via email. See attached.

7:50 p.m. - Secretary's report (Belinda)

- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner reminder and volunteer assistance.

7:55 p.m. Councillor's Report – Bearbrook construction is taking longer than anticipated and is doing some of the work out of the order that was planned. Flag persons and traffic will be handled better, it has become a high priority to keep things safe. Bump out at the crosswalk is being removed to make room for the bike lane. BBQ from the councillors office went very well, 500 burgers cooked and lots of happy attendees.

8 p.m. – Parks and Rink's report (Ali)

- Rink operations
- Just Food proposal regarding use of tractor for summertime (Moe and Phil) (for discussion) ALI – agrees that this could be a wonderful cooperation between the BCA and Just food on this note. Maintenance of the pathways would be managed by the JF group. We will proceed with negotiations with JF to see the legalities etc... and create a contract of partnership in a future proposal. A trial will be arranged in the next few weeks to see if the tractor suits the needs of JF.  
**Action item: Just Food to get a hold of Ali to confirm test run of tractor. Everything will be on hold until this happens.**
- Community Space – meet up scheduled in the near future for ways to use the community space.  
**Action item: Moe to send date for BCA to attend for tour.**

8:10 p.m. – Youth report (Chelsey)

- Proposal for Ottawa Community Fitness to use Community Hall space. Update at future meeting.
- Benches installed at Glen O with the BCA plaque on one bench.
- Crossing guards -
- Babysitting courses and home along safety courses for children in our community.

8:15 p.m. – Community safety (Ian) – neighbourhood watch at a standstill. Planning to get a team coordinated before any additional steps will be taken.

8:20 p.m. – Transportation and Environment Subcommittee (Sarah/Shari)

- Tree planting or upcoming activities – Ecology Ottawa offering free trees at the Just FOOD Celebration on OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Nuisance/pest control/mosquito meeting – Upcoming on October 5<sup>th</sup>. NCC has partnering offer in terms of bat boxes. **Action item: Laura planning to attend event, which is being held by local residents.**
- Funding for signage offered by Councillor's office (Laura) – still available. **Action: BCA needs to discuss how to spend this funding and what the signage should be. To be discussed at upcoming meeting.**

8:25 p.m. – Membership (Francois) – New volunteer will be shadowing and will run for election in this position at the upcoming AGM. Approx 70 members currently.

8:30 p.m. – Senior's Action Committee (Linda)

- SIN in the Hamlet – October 13<sup>th</sup>. Broadening the invitation and the various businesses and vendors that have been invited. Flyer distribution and grass roots advertising. Signage being put up around the hamlet. Posts needed for 3-4 large signage. **Action item: BCA to continue to promote event.**

8:35 p.m. – Website and social media (Kaitlyn and Satinder) – Email group – **Action item: Directors to reply to email request.**

8:40 p.m. – Fun Fair (Brent) – BCA 10,000 contribution and financial breakdown was emailed out. Honorariums distribution was 400 per share. Comedian and craft brewery on Friday night went well and is part of the plan for 2018. Closing balance 19000 approx to take the team into the next year. New volunteers always welcome.

8:45 p.m. – BANAR (Evelyn) – Evelyn was not present but submitted an update via email.

8:50 p.m. – Cancer Chase (Bill) – All going well. Donations coming in. Weather is expected to be good. Lots of volunteers and registration. Should be a great year.

8:53 p.m. – Reminders:

- Next meeting October 19<sup>th</sup> – informal working session for executive and directors.
- Adjournment – forwarded by bill, seconded by jeff.