

Deerhurst Civic Association
Annual Meeting via Zoom April 6 2021 7:00 pm
Minutes

Attendees:

Board of Directors: Doug Reppa (President; Rep. District 3), Brandon Weiner (Treasurer, Rep. 6), Paul Davies (Secretary). Deborah Flaherty (Rep, District 4), Cheryl Christ (Rep, 9), Rick Howard (Rep, 11).

Residents: Jane Owen, Sia Willie, Dara Cupingood, Amy Davis, Marybeth Howard, Michael Hartman, Loren Lieberthal, Kelly Cahill, Dave Stinsman, Anthony Kukulich, Richard Scholl, John Favano, Kelly Somers, Vanessa Saathoff, Angela McAvinue, Ed McAvinue, Roaine Steblai, Tom Vicente, Bob Gregg, Liz Thurell, Mimi Boudart, Christy-Anne Mathews.

Following a roll call, a quorum for an Annual Meeting was confirmed (>10% of dues-paying households).

Approval of Minutes:

The Minutes for the previous meeting held on March 1 2021 were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

The report was for the period Feb 18 2020 to March 1 2021. The closing balance was \$9,672.66 (Checking) and \$5,906.32 (Savings/Snow fund). An upcoming payment of \$146 is due for the DCA post office box and approximately \$530 for our insurance policy. 48% of dues have been paid for the previous year (2019-20) and 13% for the current year (2020-21). Following an update to the distribution list, Brandon will send out the budget to the Board.

Paul questioned the recorded payment (of \$600) to remove a tree that had fallen in Ward Park. The amount approved at last month's meeting was a bid of \$598 (from Stein), the lowest of three commercial companies. The work had instead been done by a Deerhurst resident.

Deeds Restriction Committee:

Doug has temporary charge of this in the interim between Terrence Cahill's resignation and the establishment of the new committee named at last month's meeting. He received one application - for replacing a fence at 113 Peirce. Downed trees at 2 and 4 Murphy were reported to the County.

The historical documents relating to Deeds restriction will be handed off to the new committee in the near future.

Little Library:

Brandon has received the library. He will send out an email seeking volunteers to decorate and install it.

Ward Park Play Equipment:

Vanessa shared pictures of a play structure from Costco costing \$1,700. Questions were raised concerning liability and whether or not our current insurance policy covers these issues for residents and non-resident children. Vanessa will follow-up with our insurance agent and obtain

their response in writing for distribution to the Board. A meeting could then be held to determine whether or not we move forward with the purchase.

Motion: To spend \$1700 for new playground equipment + \$300 to remove the existing structure, contingent on written proof of adequate coverage by liability insurance.

Passed: 16 for, 3 against.

Ward Park Clean-Up:

Vanessa volunteered to lead the effort at a date that will be announced later. There was a discussion on the compromised accessibility to the play area and to the park in general due to the wetness of the area and the soil that had recently been dumped there, which has turned to mud. Ed McAvinue commented that he would currently be unable to get his mower in to cut the grass.

Motion: Approve \$400 for the clean-up - to cover supplies and haulage of debris.

Passed: Unanimously

Board of Directors Elections:

Nominations for President had been emailed to the Board in favor of one resident, but he indicated at the meeting that he would be unable to serve. Following an appeal for volunteers, Vanessa Saathoff volunteered and was nominated for president and Mini Boudart for Vice-President. Since Vanessa has volunteered to be a rep for district 1 at the previous meeting, Ed Mcavinue offered to take over that responsibility. Roaine Steblai volunteered to be rep for district 7.

Motion: To elect the following Officers and District Representatives to the Board for the year 2021. The DCA Bye-Laws specify that only reps from odd-numbered districts should be selected this year, However, Doug proposed that, given the lack of meetings due to the pandemic over the last year, we should vote for reps for all districts.

Officers

President	Vanessa Saathoff
Vice-President	Mimi Boudart
Secretary	Paul Davies
Treasurer	Brandon Weiner

District Representatives

District 1	Ed McAvinue	District 2	Open
District 3	Joe Wright	District 4	Deborah Flaherty
District 5	Charlie Harvey	District 6	Shantanu Bagchi
District 7	Roaine Stablai	District 8	Mimi Boudart
District 9	Cheryl Crist	District 10	Louise Shaw
District 11	Dave Stinsman	District 12	Daniel Richter
District 13	Donna Bissey		

Passed: Unanimously

Deerhurst Directory:

A new edition of the Directory is planned. Deborah Flaherty volunteered to coordinate data collection through final printing. The data for each district will be submitted to her (deerhurst@aol.com) by each district rep by April 30. There was discussion as to whether the data would include email addresses in addition to address and phone number, but the consensus was against this. Dave Stinsman volunteered to help compile the data and Jane Owen also offered to be a resource, having been involved in the previous edition.

DCA Meeting Signs:

A set of three signs, currently being held by Terrence Cahill, will be retrieved by Doug in the near future. They apply to the Lombardy School venue and, given the pandemic, it is currently unclear when we might return to that option.

Motion: Vote of thanks to all retiring Board members

Passed: Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted, Paul Davies