

ALTA VISTA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING



Minutes

7:00 p.m. May 16th, 2023

Executive Committee Members Present: Morgan Gay, Eric McCabe, Stephanie Glover, Clinton Cowan, Janet Mark Wallace.

Directors: Lynne Davidson-Fournier, Michel Haddad, Michelle St Germain, Adrienne Stevenson, Jennifer Czaban, Debra Lowe.

Members: Nathalie Bradbury, Rick Strong, Victoria Askin, Mona Gudjurgis, Paul Gudjurgis, John Langstone, Xavier Bradbury-Jost, Barry Coburn, Susan Clarke, Suzanne Beaulieu, Gretchen Denton, Anthony Denton, Jim Doherty.

ITEM	DECISION/DISCUSSION
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome	President Stephanie Glover, opened the official meeting and welcomed attendees.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approval of Agenda	M- Morgan Gay 2 nd – Clinton Cowan. Carried.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approval of April Minutes	M- Michelle St Germain 2 nd – Susan Clarke. Carried.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Committee Updates	<p>Planning Committee – Victoria Askin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hoping to hear from Canada Lands soon regarding Federal Study Centre.• New comprehensive zoning bylaw coming 1st quarter of 2024. Meeting was held with Councillor Carr last night to discuss the new bylaw.• Bill 23 provincial changes in effect now. Coach house legislative changes as well.• Overlays, transit stations, corridor changes.• Planning group seeking clarification on a number of the changes now in effect and their impacts.

- Committee is studying the seven engagement papers put out by the City. Plan is for them to be posted on our website.
- Committee monitoring Infill guidelines for low-rise buildings.

Heritage Committee – Xavier Bradbury-Jost

- Meetings have been held to discuss and explore heritage resources.
- Committee has developed a mandate.
- Discussion concerning book regarding heritage sites in Alta Vista.

Invasive Species Management and Land Use Committee Update – Michelle St Germain

- Agreement with the City in place. Have begun work on Wren’s Way and Grasshopper Hill.
- Thirteen volunteers so far.
- Lynda Lane to be added.
- More information available on website.

Seniors Committee– Lynne Davidson-Fournier

- First draft of mandate to be finished by December.
- Members of the Committee (Lynne) have joined the Council on Ageing in Ottawa.
- Committee waiting to see what information comes from the next census report.
- Strawberry social being discussed.

Neighbourhood Watch Committee - Adrienne Stevenson

- Two volunteers so far.
- Have met to discuss how neighbourhood watch is to be set up in Alta Vista.
- Information on website, working on a flyer for distribution in community.

Parks and Greenspace Committee Update – Nathalie Bradbury

- Committee members helping with ‘stream watch’ effort to clean up Sawmill Creek.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee monitoring developments concerning bylaw to permit boulevard gardens. • Ecology Ottawa has approached the group about planting a mini-forest. • Marie Curie school has been in touch to discuss an environmental project. Looking for volunteers. <p style="text-align: center;">Climate Change Committee Update – Debra Lowe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate resiliency workshop happening June 6th at Trinity Church in Riverview Park. • Jane’s Walk happened on May 6th. • Discussion concerning boulevard garden initiative underway with the City. • Working with CAFES - Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability. • <p style="text-align: center;">Local Food Committee – Janet Mark Wallace</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The AVCA Local Food Committee held a Jane’s Walk through the Kilborn Allotment Gardens on Sunday May 7th. It was attended by 44 people, who took a tour the length of the allotment gardens, visiting six different gardens hosted by the plot-holder. • The AVCALFC will hold an outdoor meeting in the allotment gardens on Monday June 12th to further discuss the logistics of our Seedy Saturday event next February. • The Committee hopes to hold a Seed Saving Workshop in the allotments at the end of the summer, date to be confirmed. • Committee continues to help in the St Thomas Food Bank Garden every Saturday morning, 10-12. • The following dates are still open for AVCA committees and other non-profits to reserve space in the Community Booth at the Alta Vista Market, 2345 Alta Vista Drive 9-1: July 1, 15 and 29, August 12 and 19, September 2, 16 and 23, and October 7.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councilor’s report – Councillor Carr 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Chair of Police Board has been named. • Hoping to have more news concerning 1245 Kilborn in the coming months.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application for Federal Study Centre has been reviewed. Not yet public. • Application for Herongate in the final stages. • 1545 Bank St applicant has asked for another six-month extension concerning site plan. • Cycling project being considered for Wren's Way. • Meeting June 15th to discuss development happening in Eastway Gardens. • Heron Rd Community Centre opens June 15th. • Alta Vista has a large uptake for the Trees in Trust program.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roundtable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Stephanie spoke to June 10th garage sale. • June 10th book sale at St Thomas. • Market to open June 17th.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjournment 	M – Morgan Gay 2 nd – Lynne Davidson Fournier. Carried.

Next Meeting: Annual General Meeting Tuesday October 17th 7PM Rideau Park United
Deadline for Agenda Items: Friday October 14th