



# **Trend Arlington Community Association**

## **MINUTES**

Annual General Meeting, December 3, 2014

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**IN ATTENDANCE:** Stewart Kronberg, retired President; James O’Grady, Vice-President, and acting President; Leon Richins, Treasurer; Alison Harvey, Secretary; Carmen Parsons, FLASH Editor; Manuel Cruz, Web Administrator; Keith Egli, City Councillor; and some 20 - 30 TA residents, along with guest presenters.

**NOT ATTENDING:** Dave Green, Building Coordinator and TATC Liaison; Leon Richins, Treasurer; Patrick O’Connell

**CHAIR:** James O’Grady

### **1. Welcome and Overview of the Evening – James O’Grady**

Mark Nyvelt entertained everyone with his music, as people gathered and took their seats. James welcomed everyone and provided an overview of the meeting agenda.

### **2. Presentations**

The theme of the AGM this year was ‘Seniors Issues’, with the following presenters:

- a) St. Mary’s Coptic Church, re: Retirement Home – Paul Raphael (in attendance with Father Boutros) outlined their idea to build a retirement home on their Greenbank Road properties across the street from the church. They are presently contemplating a 4 story building with underground parking, however as of yet there is no official plan or financing in place.
- b) Constable Susan Wright – advised that even the smallest crimes should be reported, so that police are able to target resources appropriately. Reporting can be done online. She shared some other tips about protecting yourself from crime and fraud.
- c) IDA – A representative from the IDA announced that they will once again sponsor TACA’s winter carnival, and that they plan to do so for the foreseeable future. He gave an overview of IDA’s new free drug dispensing system, which packages multiple medications into daily/hourly doses for ease of use.
- d) Queensway Carleton Hospital Foundation – Nancy Crump reported on the new Acute Care of the Elderly (ACE) Unit that will be built at the Queensway Carlton to facilitate the care and discharge of elderly patients (who form a high proportion in Nepean). The province will fund \$8.9 million, and the community is expected to contribute \$3 million.

### **3. (Break), and 4. Overview of last year’s activities**

James reported on the various activities which TACA organized (or supported) over the past year including the Winter Carnival, Hockey Day tournament, Bike Rodeo, Spring Cleanup and Garage Sale. He also reported that the FLASH distribution has continued to be problematic.

#### **4. 2014 Financial Review**

James presented TACA's financial report on behalf of the Treasurer:

- The rink broke even last year. It was a cold winter and the rink was able to stay open for a long period, expending the city grant. (Thanks to all of the ice-flooding volunteers and the attendant staff.)
- The 2013 craft fair made \$600 (Congrats to Carmen who held it.)
- Spring softball made \$220 (fees – expenses). (Thanks to James for running a great neighbourhood activity.)
- TACA made \$600 on building rental. (Congrats to Dave for managing this.)

#### **5. On slate for 2015**

James announced the upcoming events for this year: Winter Carnival, Hockey Day, Community Clean Up, Bike Rodeo, and (new) Outdoor Movie Night, in cooperation with the mall.

James also announced things to watch for (Canada Post community mailboxes, Infill II [ ah comment: what was this again??]).

#### **6. Nominations and Election of Executive and Directors for 2014-15**

Stewart ran the process and the following members were acclaimed: James O'Grady, President; Stewart Kronberg, Past-President; Mark Nyvlt, Vice President; Leon Richins, Treasurer; Diane Daly, Secretary; Carmen Parsons, Member at Large; Alison Harvey, Member at Large; Manuel Cruz, Co-Building Manager; Heather Millar, Co-Building Manager; Patrick O'Connell, Member at Large; Caroline Crowe, Member at Large

#### **7. Next TACA Executive Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 6th at 7 pm.

#### **8. Thanks to Stewart and Dave**

James thanked Stewart Kronberg who led the TACA Executive for the past five years with great dedication and enthusiasm.

Alison thanked Dave Green for his service as the building manager. He did a stalwart job keeping the building organized. Dave also functioned as the Tennis Club liaison and kept track of TACA membership.

The community association relies on wonderful volunteers like these men, who donated many hours/days a year to building a better community in Trend Arlington. Thank you!!

#### **9. Remarks from Keith Egli, Councillor for Ward 9**

Keith reported on various activities that he will be hosting or involved with. Of interest—

- January 28<sup>th</sup> will be the Ward 9 volunteer recognition event and he will be receiving nominations.
- He is lobbying to have the rink grants increased, as they have not been for 14 years.
- Keith promised to look into the lighting (or lack of it) on Siskin, in response to a question.