



Agenda

NECA Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2018, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

St. Bartholomew's Church Hall, 125 MacKay Street

- 1) Welcome: NECA President
- 2) Approval of the agenda
- 3) Approval of the 2017 AGM draft minutes
- 4) Approval of the 2017-18 financial statements
- 5) Committee Reports
 - Heritage and Development
 - Traffic and Safety
 - Park Vision Working Group
- 6) President's remarks: Strategic Priorities
- 7) NECA Board of Directors nominations:
 - List of candidates for re-election, any other nominations
 - Remarks by new candidates
 - Vote by membership on candidates
- 8) Adjournment

Refreshments



**Draft Minutes NECA AGM Meeting
25 October 2017 at 19:00
St. Bartholomew's Church Hall**

Present: Sylvain Belanger, Ted Bennett, Roslyn Butler, Natasha Cappon, Joe Chouinard, Ann Davis, Sean Flynn, Christina Leadlay, Phil Nowotny, Cindy Parkanyi

Absent: Gail McEachern

New Edinburgh Residents in Attendance: More than 60

NECA President Cindy Parkanyi welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the meeting. She said that the meeting will consist of the business of the NECA Annual General Meeting and then conclude with a "Forum for a Park Vision". She explained that the aim of the forum is to solicit and record the community's vision for Stanley Park, for once the CSST construction is completed in 2 - 3 years' time and beyond. Given the City of Ottawa's tendency to present its plans as a "fait accompli" without any input from the local residents, the NECA Board felt it would be wise to have some plans of our own to present to the city well in advance.

Approval of the meeting Agenda: There was a request to add an Agenda Item - "the work on River Lane at the junction with Queen Victoria" - to Other Business, by Marcus Pistor who moved that the Agenda be approved with the addition. David Horley seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a majority in the room.

Approval of the 2016 NECA AGM Draft Minutes: Ann Davis moved that these AGM 2016 Minutes be approved. Phillip Nowotny seconded the motion. The approval of the 2016 Minutes was passed by a larger majority of those present with two abstentions.

Approval of the NECA 2016 17 Financial Statements: Marcus Pistor moved that these financial Statements for 2016-17 be approved. Ted Bennett seconded the motion. They were passed by the majority of those present.

NECA President's Remarks: President Cindy Parkanyi said that this past year "has been a wild ride." The CSST Project has been the main focus of NECA's business. NECA continues to work with the City for our health, safety and sanity.

Many people came out to help, especially David Slinn. Dick Palmer contributed his energy and drive, Marta Kerpacak conducted the health survey. Jeff Smith and Chris Straka organized the new bike routes and the safety of traffic along Stanley St. respectively. Sean Flynn and Joe Chouinard formed and ran the CSST Task Force. Natasha Cappon and her dad, Dr. Paul Cappon did a lot of work behind the scene investigating possible health issues caused by disturbance of contaminated soil by the CSST project. Residents are being kept informed by messages on the List-serve, email and articles in the New Edinburgh News.

On the Friday the first of September, NECA celebrated 'Thomas Mackay Day' with a street party for young and old. This party, which was also NECA's way of celebrating Canada's 150th, was pulled together on very short notice by Christina Leadlay and other volunteers. Over 100 attended, and a great time was had by all. There were kid's games/entertainments, a BBQ, pot-

luck food, music and drinks. Cindy Parkanyi got a permit to close-off part of MacKay St. (in front of New Edinburgh House) which included large wooden barriers, with no problem at all -except fitting them in her vehicle. NECA plans to make this an annual event.

Going forward, NECA will continue to monitor the CSST Project. NECA will create a Vision for the Park once the construction is over. Traffic and safety on our neighbourhood streets will be closely monitored. Heritage and Development issues will also continue to be important to NECA.

B.R.I.C.K. Award: Sean Flynn was the recipient of this award as this year's outstanding person who has contributed to our community. He has been involved for many years with NECTAR - working very hard to keep New Edinburgh House financially solvent and filled with community activities. He has been serving on the NECA Board as well as liaison person between NECTAR and NECA. He has been actively helping to resist the CSST Project and then monitoring them so that they follow their promises made to this community. His energy, enthusiasm, intelligence and level headed advice have been very welcome. On top of all this, he commutes by bicycle daily to/from Bell's Corners, so is a model of fitness for the rest of us.

After overcoming his total surprise at being the BRICK Award winner, he thanked everyone warmly.

NECA Board of Directors Nominations: President Cindy Parkanyi explained that there were six vacancies on the Board of Directors. Two vacancies were due to the two-year terms of Ted Bennett and Gail McEachern which were up and they had agreed to run again for another two-year term.

There had been 4 resignations from the Board during this past year. Jennifer Irwin, David Slinn, Santiago Reyes-Borda and Sylvain Belanger had resigned - mostly due to increased work commitments, and David Slinn to follow his wife on a Foreign Service posting. During the winter of 2016/17 President Tim Plumptre resigned and was replaced by Cindy Parkanyi. According to the by-laws the NECA Board of Directors may have up to 15 members.

There were two new nominations from the floor - David Arnold and Adam Crain (who was absent and who was nominated by his wife). David Arnold gave a very brief description of himself: he has lived in New Edinburgh for 22 years, lives on MacKay St. joined the Health, Safety and Traffic Committees and wants to make our neighbourhood better.

Since Adam Crain was absent, there was some discussion of what to do in this case. It was decided to not put Adam Crain's name on this slate for election.

There was a further call for any nominations from the floor, but no one responded.

Marcus Pistor moved that the meeting vote on a slate of three persons: David Arnold, Ted Bennett and Gail McEachern to be members on the NECA Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Paul McConnell. This motion passed with a large majority of those present approving.

Other Business, Announcements and Questions: River Lane resident Mariella Wood was concerned about the closure of River Lane between Keefer St. and Stanley St. so workers could "fix-up" the sewers which run under River Lane. River Lane residents had received only yesterday a notice that this was to happen in the next few days. She was concerned they would have no access to her house, or water and sewage service. She felt it was another case of short notification for major work by City crews. The Councillor, who had only just arrived at the meeting, assured her that the work would begin on 06 Nov. and last for two weeks with no disruption to the street as the city crews were only lining the pipes from underground. He said

the City crews would request residents restrict their use of water and minimize their sewer discharge on the day of the pipe-lining work.

Councillor Tobi Nussbaum agreed to take some questions from the floor.

- Now that the bus stop eastbound on Beechwood Ave. has been moved from in front of the old Bank of Montreal to past the entrance road to the Metro (a distance of about a block) bus users - especially the elderly have a hard time to make bus connections. In winter it will be even harder. The Councillor responded that he has requested that OC Transpo put a new stop on the St. Patrick's Bridge where it meets the Vanier Parkway. This will affect the routes #1 and #7.
- There was a question about the lack of garbage bins along the north side of Beechwood near Books on Beechwood and Chartwell.
- There was also a question about the removal of the bus stop in front of the Royal Oak/drugstore on Beechwood. The Councillor said the stops on the last block of Beechwood Ave. were removed in the re-design and reconstruction of that portion of Beechwood. He said he requested a bus shelter for the last stop on the west side of Crichton before the St. Patrick Bridge. The request was denied because the land belongs to the NCC.
- There was a question about the phone and cable lines proliferating in the neighbourhood. As residents upgrade their service, the old lines are cut but not removed and the new service lines are installed. As this goes on, more and more lines are left hanging from the service poles. Is there something which can be done to require these abandoned lines to be removed when a new one is installed? The Councillor had no answer for this.
- There was a question about the sewer gas smells residents are experiencing in their basements. What is causing this? There was no answer given but some theories put forward by the audience. Possibly caused by the blasting at the CSST site. Possibly related to the requirement to line the sewer pipe under River Lane.

Adjournment of the AGM Portion of the Meeting: At 8:52 p.m. Michael Histed moved that the AGM meeting be adjourned. Paul McConnell seconded the motion. All present approved.

Addendum: After the business of the formal NECA AGM was completed, the Board of Directors held an election among themselves to determine the Officers of the Board for 2017/18:

President Cindy Parkanyi

Vice President Joe Chouinard

Treasurer Ted Bennett

Secretary Roslyn Butler

Joe Chouinard announced that the next CCMC meeting is on 01 Nov 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at the Fieldhouse.

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS⁽¹⁾
for NECA / New Edinburgh News for Fiscal Year 2017/2018

Income and Expense Statement				
	2017/2018		2016/2017	
INCOME				
NEN Net Income	-\$	59.92 (2)	\$	589.43
Interest				
	\$	-	\$	-
TOTAL INCOME	-\$	59.92	\$	589.43
EXPENSES				
NECA Miscellaneous Expenses	\$	1,352.60 (3)	\$	435.40
Events and meetings	\$	854.45 (4)	\$	1,133.86
Bank Charges	\$	30.00	\$	-
Insurance (GL)	\$	310.00	\$	310.00
Website	\$	688.40	\$	665.32
Donations	\$	100.00	\$	200.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	3,335.45	\$	2,744.58
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	-\$	3,395.37	-\$	2,155.15

Balance Sheet as at June 30, 2018				
ASSETS				
Cash in Bank - NECA	\$	278.69	\$	1,534.66
Cash in Bank - NEN	\$	10,230.18	\$	6,193.45
Undeposited funds - NEN	\$	1,105.14	\$	4,983.30
GIC Held at BMO - NEN	\$	2,391.85	\$	2,391.85
Petty Cash - NEN	\$	83.44	\$	83.44
Accounts Receivable	\$	1,841.90	\$	3,683.80
Total Assets	\$	15,931.20	\$	18,870.50
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	\$	454.28	\$	181.86
HST Balance	\$	58.82	\$	1,108.67
NEN deferred income (subscriptions)	\$	7,911.00	\$	6,245.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	8,424.10	\$	7,535.53
Fund balance	\$	7,507.10	\$	11,334.97
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	15,931.20	\$	18,870.50

Statement of Changes in Financial Position				
FUND BALANCE, Beginning of year	\$	11,476.99	\$	14,109.14
Surplus (Deficit) for year	-\$	3,395.37	-\$	2,155.15
NEN equity adj - previous years	-\$	574.52 (5)	-\$	477.00
Total Fund balance at Year End	\$	7,507.10	\$	11,476.99

- Notes:** (1) Prepared based on Ontario's *Guide to Bookkeeping for Non-Profit Organizations (2014)*.
(2) Printing costs have increased since a change in printers. NEN will re-evaluate and seek to reduce costs.
(3) Includes \$1,242 for surveys - CSST Health Survey and Community Survey.
(4) AGM, CSST meeting, all-candidates fed. By-election.
(5) Adjustment due to changes made in previous year's accounts - NEN income

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New Edinburgh News 2017-2018 Report

The community newspaper remains a go-to resource for news and events. NEN continues to publish in October, December, February, April and June, with a pdf edition available at newedinburgh.ca.

In addition to her role as managing editor, Christina Leadlay continues to oversee newedinburgh.ca as web editor. This is our second year being printed by Winchester Print.

The newspaper's team has been solid this past year. Jane Heintzman is our associate editor and senior writer; David Rostenne is our production manager; Louise Imbeault is our advertising manager and staff photographer; Nicholas Galambos is our bookkeeper; Karen Harrison is our distribution manager; and Adrienne Blair and Philippa Wolff are our proofreaders. Their hard work is greatly appreciated!

We held an open house/casting call on May 6, encouraging community members interested in writing or taking photos (regardless of age, background or experience) to meet the NEN team. It was quite a successful event. Sachiko Shiota and Jack Kavanagh have since contributed photos to NEN, while Anna Neufeld and Ann Jackson have done some writing for us. Welcome and thanks to everyone!

Our Advisory Committee is a panel that helps make editorial, administrative, and financial decisions for the paper. The committee includes: Carolyn Brereton, Roslyn Butler, Louise Imbeault, Karen Harrison, Jane Heintzman, David Horley, Gemma Kerr, Cindy Parkanyi, David Rostenne and Jim Watson. Thanks to all of them for their invaluable support and advice.

Our distribution team delivers each issue of the paper to approx. 1,750 households, and to 40 businesses. The team includes: Philip McAdam, Andrew and Sarah Fyfe, Isobel and Mark Bisby, the Young-Martin family, Carol and Peter Gusen, Mieke Vos and Pierre Trudel, the Mee family, Carolyn Brereton, Julia Chandler and Jim DeFaye, Liba Bender, Roxan Clark and family, Stephen Chappell, William Beddoe, Susan Boyd, Christine Plouffe, Cindy Parkanyi, Louise Imbeault, Robert Todd, Carol Milstone, Larry Doshen, and the VanderHorst-Kerr family.

STATISTICS FOR 2017-2018

Readership: approx. 3,200 (1,750 households plus retail distribution)

Average number of pages per issue: 36

Average number of advertisers per issue: 53.4

Average ad value per page: \$175.71 (not including colour)

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NECA Strategic Priorities – Update for 2018

2014-2017 Priorities	Goals	Status / Recommendations
<p>1. Promoting Responsible Development of the Beechwood Corridor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give expression to member opinions regarding aesthetics, diversity and safety. • Promote consistent application of Community Development Plan. • Work with BVA and other community organizations. • <i>NEW</i> – Pursue early and more positive interactions with developers and explore innovative ways for the community to influence development along the Beechwood corridor. 	<p>NECA has joined forces with nearby community associations by way of the “Community Collective”, which has put in place a new group of interested community representatives (a new BVA-style group) to explore ways to engage with the City and developers earlier and more positively, and to seek innovative ways to encourage community-friendly development along Beechwood. The rep from New Edinburgh is Ari Abonyi.</p> <p>This work will continue and the community representatives will report back to and check in with the community regularly.</p>
<p>2. Improving Traffic and Safety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a committee to set priorities. COMPLETE • Lobby for and update flood plain plan. • Develop emergency plan. • <i>NEW</i> – Assess results of the summer traffic study and investigate options for reduced residential speed limit for New Edinburgh. 	<p>The Traffic and Safety Committee continues to pursue priority traffic and safety issues with the City.</p> <p>The flood plain mapping was completed and NECA’s Park Vision working group will be working with City, NCC and RVCA stakeholders to work towards implementation of the appropriate option identified in the flood mitigation study completed under the auspices of the City.</p> <p>Very little progress has been made on the neighbourhood-level emergency plan due to other priorities. NECA is exploring options to pursue this initiative in conjunction with other nearby communities. <i>Volunteers who are interested in driving this forward are needed.</i></p>
<p>3. Protecting Heritage While Promoting Responsible Development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee to pursue development consistent with character and heritage. • Strengthen relationships with City, Councillor, and developers. • Ensure update of Heritage Conservation District Plan is sensitive to NE and lobby for it to be made into a bylaw. 	<p>H&D Committee works closely with City planners, our ward councillor and developers, and the committee’s Chair has enrolled to be in pre-consultation meetings on potential developments in New Edinburgh. (See separate report.)</p> <p>The NE Heritage Conservation District Plan has been approved and put into force.</p> <p><i>The H&D Committee is looking for new members.</i></p>

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4. Fostering Community Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NECA to be proactive in seeking collaboration/fusion with other community organizations. • Establish a volunteer bureau with other community organizations. • Joint community events. • <i>NEW</i> – Further enhance communications with residents. 	<p>NECA will continue to participate in the Community Collective, a group that explores ways in which we can work collaboratively with other community groups in our area on issues of common interest or possible synergy – such as a volunteer bureau, shared communications and an emergency plan.</p> <p>NECA has held its 2nd annual Thomas MacKay Day event in collaboration with NECTAR and the Rideau-Rockcliffe Community Centre.</p> <p>NECA has begun sending out regular updates to its membership using MailChimp and will continue to seek ways to engage residents on issues, activities and projects.</p>
5. Greening New Edinburgh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for volunteers to contribute to such an effort. 	<p>NECA has pursued verge planting and other greening activities with the City, thanks to initiatives developed by volunteer efforts of Chris Straka.</p> <p><i>NECA would welcome other volunteer efforts on this file.</i></p>
<i>NEW</i> – 6. Pursuing a Vision for the Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish principles and goals based on community input. • Develop a vision statement to guide the working group that will explore options for short, medium and long-term goals. • Engage with relevant stakeholders (City staff, NCC, RVCA, etc.) to ensure that proposed solutions are feasible, supported and eventually implemented. 	<p>A public consultation forum was held in October 2017 and formed the basis for a Park Vision Statement that included principles, goals and ideas for the park.</p> <p>A working group was formed and has met with a CSST re-greening expert (to explain the reinstatement plan post-CSST), City and NCC multi-use path experts (to discuss options for improving the paths through our park) and has had an initial meeting with City emergency services staff regarding flood prevention.</p>