



Minutes

NECA Board Meeting – 19 April 2022

7:30 pm

Virtual meeting via ZOOM

Board members present:

Cindy Parkanyi, Samantha McAleese, Christina Leadlay, Ari Abonyi, Karen Squires, Sarah Anson-Cartwright, Ray Boomgaardt, Ted Bennett, Jason Tavoularis, Gail McEachern, Katherine Hall

Absent:, Sean Flynn, Heather Matthews

Guests: Rawlson King, Peter Petrie, Ian Szlazak, Janet Uren, Ash Duvadie. Catherine Dickson

1. Welcome

- Land acknowledgement.
- Welcomed guests.
- Approval of agenda.
 - Motion by Karen, seconded by Gail
 - Agenda approved
- Approval of March minutes.
 - Motion by Ray, seconded by Karen
 - Minutes approved

2. Councillor's Report (Rawlson King)

- 99 Beechwood Ave (Claridge Development) – file will go to planning, likely this month. Will still push for retail and hopes for a broader policy discussion around ground-floor commercial in main street buildings.
- Speeding incident and crash on Crichton – the councillor's office continues to monitor 'cut-through' traffic in the area and is looking into further traffic calming measures.
- Progress being made on helping people in crisis/living in encampments find permanent housing with supports. Still a lot of work to be done to make this happen faster and in a more coordinated way.

3. Speeding incident on Crichton (Jason Tavoularis)

- Sunday April 10th at 7:30 in the morning, car flipped over at Crichton and Keefer. Was stopped by a steel sign and tree in front of a home. No one was injured.
- Councillor's office tracks incidents and focus is on prevention and installing various traffic-calming measures (this includes collecting speed data).
- Support for [VisionZero](#).
- Suggestions for raised intersections, bollards, street trees, speedbumps, etc.
- Stanley Ave highlighted as a particularly problematic area, especially around the playground.

4. New Edinburgh Street Fest (Janet Uren)

- September 10th

- Fundraising for the [Inuuqatigiit Centre for Inuit Children, Youth and Families](#) in Vanier
- More information about Street Fest here: <https://www.iodelaurentian.com/-new-edinburgh-street-fest.html>
- Cindy to connect Janet with organizers of Chief Pinesi Day.
- Suggestions from NECA to ensure planners consider parking/driving concerns: make attendees more aware of different options (bus routes, bike paths) to get to New Edinburgh.

5. Committee and working group updates

New Edinburgh News (Christina Leadlay): No report. Seeking contributions for June edition – deadline is May 10.

Beechwood Development (Ari Abonyi): Goal setting for the Secondary Plan – document on Google Docs available for contributions. Deadline is Tuesday April 26.

Friends of the Park (Karen Squires and Katherine Hall): Report sent and received. Park clean-up on Friday!

Communications (Cindy Parkanyi): No report. Making progress on the website. Still looking for some comms support.

Environment and Climate Change (no chair):

Heritage and Development (Gail McEachern): No report. Still waiting for news re: 255 MacKay

Traffic & Safety (Jason Tavoularis): Will follow up with councillor's office on new traffic calming measures. Flood mitigation – raising the ground level around Charles Street would dramatically reduce the odds of flooding. Similar mitigation work done in Britannia. This work requires support from 2/3rd of residents in the zone along with an agreement to pay a levy. Suggestion to approach City to gauge uptake on this issue. Raise awareness among neighbours (door knocking, article in NEN). Focus on prevention - people recalling flooding in 2014 when New Edinburgh residents had to act quickly to block the water with sandbags and a concrete barrier.

6. Community group updates

CCC (Sean Flynn): No report.

NECTAR (Sean Flynn): No report.

Community Collective (Cindy Parkanyi): No report.

7. Other Business

- Insurance coverage for Indigenous mural at Fieldhouse
 - Draft motion sent via email by Cindy before the meeting.
 - Still waiting to hear from insurers about whether or not this will cost more money.
 - **Motion to approve, in principle, the use of NECA's general liability insurance for mural installation on the Fieldhouse as long as it is accepted by the insurance company at no additional cost.**
 - Moved by Cindy, Seconded by Ted

- Motion approved.
- If there is an additional cost, Cindy will go back to sponsors first to discuss next steps.
- New Edinburgh banners (tabled to next meeting).

8. Adjournment

- The next NECA meeting will be on 17 May 2022 at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom
- Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.