Orchard Heights
Homeowners' Association

Minutes for Orchard Heights Homeowners Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, March 11, 2021

Attendees: Tonya Elmazi, David Blakey, Lawrence Pinkney, Alex Guiney, Afsaneh Dhalla, Stacey Reason, Janet Jackson, Raya Shadursky, Tisa Zabarylo

Absent: Mike Kuliszewski, Dan Higashi, Angeline DeLuca, Caroline Secko, Dominique Giliberti

Meeting commenced at approximately 7:30pm.

● Land acknowledgement
Tonya put forth a motion that we should begin each meeting with a land acknowledgement. Will begin at next meeting.

● Approve meeting minutes
Motion to approve minutes from Feb. 16, 2021 put forth by Tonya and seconded by Alex. Carried.

● Welcome new members
New members Stacey Reason, Janet Jackson and Raya Shadursky formally welcomed to the board.

● Dixie Redevelopment/Neighbourhood Survey Update
Stacey reported receiving 1192 survey responses to date with Lakeview leading with 289 responses, followed by Orchard Heights with 256. (Out of 450 OH homes it's a 57% return.) The deadline to respond was extended to March 22nd and another mass email is to be sent to the residents about the extension in order for a "final push" of responses. Tonya will email John at the golf course in order to have it sent to Toronto Golf Club members.

It was noted that the Developer, Slate, hasn't yet submitted anything to the City of Mississauga about the development.

Stacey asked if there was to be one report submitted and who will write it. So far there are 327 responses to the open-ended question of "anything to add?" We will need a sub-committee of 5-6 members who will help compile the report, the timeline of which will work backwards from the report date. Stacey suggesting involving the other RAs.

● Quarterly newsletter

Tonya is sending out the rough draft of the newsletter and will take comments. It will include a Covid-19 update and links for more info, the upcoming AGM, info about the Dixie Redevelopment project and how to contact the board. It will not contain anything related to the Bridge development.

● Councillor Dasko's survey about OH park and Ron Searle Park
Janet was concerned that the survey from Dasko's office was too ambiguous. (This project has been in the works for two years now). We will wait to hear what Dasko's plans are and will go from there.

● Code of Conduct
Tonya to send out a draft of the Code of Conduct and admits it needs a lot of work yet. Suggested we google the City of Mississauga and City of Toronto's Code of Conducts to get a sense of what we want and don't want to include in ours.

● Annual General Meeting
Will be virtual this year; suggested dates include the evening of April 22nd or May 12th, 13th, 19th or 20th, depending on politicians' schedules. Lawrence to email politicians to invite them.

Raya put forth a motion to invest $200/yr. for a zoom account to use for meetings, which would hold up to 300 participants; seconded by Alex and carried by a vote of 7-1. David was opposed to spending the money (if restrictions are loosened and we can soon meet again in person) but it was noted that we used to spend around $400 for previous AGMs by making a donation to St. Luke's church for the rental of it for our AGM.

● Renaming of tennis courts
Councillor Dasko thought it was a great idea to rename the tennis courts after Danny Higashi and will bring the issue to City Council. It was noted that Danny was surprised and humbled at the honour. Danny is currently lobbying for a roof to be built over the courts.

● New Business
David inquired as to the status of the welcome packages. Alex to get the stuff from Tonya and make the drops. The last time this was done was at the end of 2019.

A motion was put forth by Tonya to move the monthly meetings to the second Thursday of the month; moved by Janet and seconded by Alex.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 8, 2021 @ 7:30 pm