



Ainslie Wood/Westdale Community Association

20th Annual General Meeting

McMaster Innovation Park

175 Longwood Road South

free parking next to the building after 6 p.m.

Monday, September 17, 2018

6:00 Registration for Members

A representative of the Hamilton Police Service will be on hand

Theme: Future Developments in Ainslie Wood and Westdale

7:00 Welcome and Introduction of the Agenda (President Ira Rosen)

7:05 Sandy Shaw, MPP

7:15 Aidan Johnson, Ward 1 Councillor

7:25 City of Hamilton Representatives

Trevor Horzenlenberg (Light Rail Transit)

Shannon McKie (Planning)

7:45 Q & A

8:00 Break, Membership Renewal or Purchase

8:15 McMaster University Representatives

Gord Arbeau (Director, Communications)

Roger Couldrey (Vice-president, Communications)

Mary Williams (Vice-president, University Advancement)

8:30 Q & A

8:45 AWWCA Business

President's Report (Ira Rosen)

Treasurer's Report (Julie Twyford)

Membership Secretary's Report (Kevin Russell)

Presentation of 2017 AGM Minutes for Approval (Carolyn Kinsley)

Thank you to McMaster University for the Use of McMaster Innovation Park

Thank you to West Town Crime Manager Sgt. Amanda Gill

AINSLIE WOOD/WESTDAE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF RESIDENT HOMEOWNERS INC.
SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF THE 19TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 18, 2017

St. George's Church, 134 Emerson St.

Recording secretary: Carolyn Kinsley.

Board members present: Shelli Eisenberg, Carolyn Kinsley, Kenneth Moyle, Ira Rosen, Kevin Russell, Julie Twyford.

Regrets: Scott Innes, Jay Parlar. President Ira Rosen presented the agenda.

Ward 1 Councillor Aidan Johnson reported that the trial project of proactive bylaw enforcement by co-op students from Mohawk College will be continued. Ten out of 16 councillors voted for light-rail transit; he outlined current plans for the west-end hub and route. The natural playground has been completed at Canadian Martyrs' Catholic Elementary School with Participatory Budgeting money.

Gord Arbeau, McMaster's director of communications, reported that the preliminary number of incoming students is just under 6,000. As of Jan. 1, 2018, the campus will be tobacco and smoke free. The Peter George Centre for Living and Learning will have 500 residence beds and a childcare facility, due for completion in the summer of 2019. The university still can't guarantee a residence space for every incoming student, but has bought the houses on the south side of Traymore and the ones around the corner on Forsyth South between Main and Traymore. The university will apply to the city in November or December for a zoning change, needed for a student residence. It will be operated like a McMaster campus residence. Occupancy may start in September 2021. His office is receiving fewer complaints about specific student-rental addresses. Jennifer Kleven, of the Off-Campus Resource Centre, said that her office follows up with landlords, students, police, and bylaw. Garbage cans will be placed in front of the new Wilson building at the Sterling Street entrance.

Brad Potts, Animal Control Services for the City of Hamilton, explained their work vis-à-vis the SPCA. The SPCA is a charity to protect animals from people; Animal Services is the opposite. **Rebecca Roth, City of Hamilton, Public Health**, is one of 40 public-health workers in the city. She and Brad discussed the raccoon rabies outbreak in Hamilton that started in mid-December 2015.

The panel discussion, The Changing West Hamilton Real Estate Landscape, included AWWCA vice-president Ken Moyle, moderator; Emmanuel Appiah, co-ordinator, Student Community Support Network, McMaster Students Union; Jennifer Daniel, sales representative, Judy Marsales Realty; Jennifer Kleven, Off Campus Resource Centre, McMaster University; Julie Twyford, Barclay West Properties. Prices are up sharply in Hamilton because there is a lack of inventory for sale. Toronto investors find our area affordable. There is more turnover of existing rental properties; rents have risen gradually, to \$550 plus utilities; McMaster University is popular because it's cheap to live here. The SOBI bikes are busy. Most landlords manage their own properties, but there are more property managers in the market, hence their lawn signs.

Treasurer Julie Twyford reported that our closing balance May 31, 2017, was \$4,451.99. Our expenses were primarily bank fees, web hosting, mailbox, and transportation for Ken Moyle to the Town and Gown Association of Ontario annual meeting. Carolyn Kinsley moved and George Voloudakis seconded the motion to accept last year's AGM minutes; the motion was carried. **Membership secretary** Kevin Russell reported that we have 106 paid-up members not including renewals received tonight. Nomination officer Kevin Russell moved and Betty Bechtel seconded the motion to acclaim the following candidates as nominated, and the motion was carried: Ira Rosen, president; Ken Moyle, vice-president; Julie Twyford, treasurer; Carolyn Kinsley, corresponding secretary; Scott Innes, director.