

AGENDA - AWWCA BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 9th, 2019 - St. George's Church / 134 Emerson St.

Call to Order: 7 p.m. Ira Rosen, President

Recording Secretary: Kareen Bouwman

Quorum: Five

Regrets: Julie Twyford

In Attendance: Sarah and Ira Rosen, Carolyn Kinsley, Ken Moyle, Scott Innes, Tracy MacKinnon, Kareen Bouwman

Guests: Betty Bechtel, Shelli Eisenberg, Ryan Tse, Sgt. Darren Murphy, Maureen Wilson, Stephanie Hilson

Agenda Items:

1. **Police Report:** Sgt. Darren Murphy, West Crime Manager
Email: DMurphy@hamiltonpolice.on.ca
Phone: 905-546-6074

City wide thefts from automobiles and garages is a social issue of poverty, mental health/addiction. Crime map does not indicate a precise address, but rather a more general area for privacy reasons. B and Es are rare and are usually happening with garages. Police apprehend people with stolen property, but victims are not reporting the crime. People are encouraged to report crimes such that a crime analyst will be able to look for crime trends across the city. Students from Columbia College are being targeted by thieves for their cellphones. The students are not reporting the thefts. One sexual offence of a person masturbating, which is under investigation. Several robberies at Pioneer, Subway and a convenience store.

There are 57 officers below the minimum required by the city's needs. McMaster has hired officers (Mac 91 and Mac 92 as well as other Mac named officers) to work with an auxiliary officer. The city hired a by-law officer to patrol with a Hamilton police officer.

FOCO - False Homecoming scheduled for September 21, 2019. University representatives from various cities have met to discuss some solutions to this problem. McMaster decided to schedule Homecoming during the October reading week.

Response to FOCO

Police anticipate that the event will occur south of Main on Dalewood. EMS, Fire, McMaster and Police as well as mounted police officers will be stationed in the area. There is a reciprocal agreement with the London police. Officers from the London detachment will support our police at this event, and Hamilton officers will support them in London the following week. The goal of the police is to keep the streets open as long as it is safe to do so. Police will attempt to keep students on their own property. There are concerns about overcrowding on decks. All laws will be enforced. Enforcement will begin in the morning of the 21st of September.

2. **Councillor: Maureen Wilson / Stephanie Hilson**

Concerns were raised regarding the Metroland flyers being thrown on lawns/driveways and not being picked up by the residents. Maureen agreed that this is a problem and provided a number (905-575-4004) to call at Metroland. She had spoken with a representative from the company and is

waiting for a call back to address this issue. As a resident you can cancel the delivery of the flyers by calling the number listed.

Snow shovelling - A motion was passed at the end of last year's budget and the council is beginning to look at this from an equity perspective. City staff is preparing options for the council to consider. Scott proposed a bylaw change such that enforcement would look much more like what the city does with parking. Scot and Ira mentioned the time delays for snow shovelling to be enforced. Maureen will take Scott's idea to staff.

Parking at fire hydrants - Betty suggested hatched lines by fire hydrants to create more awareness of the location of the fire hydrants. Maureen likes this idea and staff is looking into this.

3. **MSU: Ryan Tse, Associate Vice-President Municipal Affairs**

Ryan's portfolio is an advocacy role for students dealing with transit, housing, lighting, etc. There are concerns regarding the safety of students in terms of lighting in the neighbourhood. In response to this, representatives from the city will be doing a walk around the neighbourhood to see what work still is required to do. He is in the process of preparing for the municipal budget and will be meeting with councillors

4. **Westdale BIA: Tracy MacKinnon**

Burnt Tongue and Churchill Smokes businesses have made improvements to their properties. Burnt Tongue is doing well. Friday night live music has been successful. Permit approvals are in the works at the former Mark's salon and tailor shop. Tracy mentioned how weedy areas are by curbs.

OctoberWest is scheduled for the first weekend in October. There will be German food and traditional folk bands. Christmas events are being planned.

5. **Approve minutes from previous meeting:** See draft at:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PFPrgtfaSptSONxmFwPDBIUW9CvhheKz7JultZ69XxE/>

Sarah's motion: Minutes from the July meeting to be amended by Ken. Tracy seconded the motion. Ira, Ken, Carolyn, Sarah, Tracy and Kareen passed the motion. Scott had left the meeting before the vote took place.

6. **Rental-licensing pilot - updates**

Ken has deferred this to next month's meeting. He will be speaking with Maureen on this matter.

7. **Parking & traffic problems in Ainsley Wood North (See email below.)**

Parking solution proposed by Betty. See section 2. Councillor

8. **Shovelling and other by-law enforcement issues**

See section 2. Councillor

9. **Ads tossed on driveways**

See section 2. Councillor

10. **Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan Hamilton Harbour Cruise;** see poster <https://awwca.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/RAP-Stakeholder-Forum-Cruise-Invitation-FINAL.pdf>

Two tickets are given to AWWCA. Ira and Sarah are unable to attend. Carolyn expressed interest in attending the cruise.

11. **Nomination forms**

Ken prepared the forms for the AGM. A tentative plan is as follows: At the AGM Ken will step down and become recording Secretary. Kareen had to resign due to a scheduling conflict. Sarah will be the interim VP. Ira will be treasurer and Ken will be co-signer

12. **AGM preparation**

Tracy will provide coffee. John Wigle has the AWWCA banner at his mother's house. Ken has the tent.

New Business:

Treasurer's Report: Julie Twyford has resigned her position as treasurer

Membership Secretary's Report: Sarah continues to organize the member list

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Carolyn Kinsley: See below

Committee Reports:

- **PACCR:** FOCO was discussed in section 1 by Sgt. Murphy
- **TGAO:** No report
- **Police Liaison:** Sgt. Murphy provided details in section 1

Corresponding Secretary's Report (Cary):

7.7 Copy of letter from John Wigle to LPAT re Knightstone development.

7.9 Ira to city planner Mark Kehler re the development at 804-816 King St. West.

7.10 Mark's reply to Ira—will consider the comments.

7.11 Request to circulate a survey to Reimagine Hamilton's Museums.

7.14 From Mark Wang--someone burning flyers on sidewalk (40 Forsyth Ave.N.); reported to police.

7.15 Ken to Sgt. Fletcher re smashed car window on Bond North.

7.17 Sgt Fletcher said patrol would be increased in these areas.

8.10 Ira's invitation to our MP, MPP, and ward councillor to attend our AGM.

8.10-8.19 Marilyn Gear Pilling alerted us to the possibility of the Second Cup Westdale being converted to a cannabis outlet. The franchise owners declined to sell three times but felt pressured. Received copies of e-mails sent by some of our members to Second Cup CEO, who finally replied, explaining their agreement with National Access Cannabis and reassuring us that this location would not be changed. Received and circulated a thank you from the franchise owners of Second Cup Westdale.

8.18 Kareen's resignation as recording secretary effective after the Sept. 9 board meeting, due to a conflict with a Monday night course she will be taking.

8.19 & 8.20 Ken to Mac re fake homecoming party and Gord's reply saying the MSU had already alerted them and Mac is making plans with HPS and others.

8.23 Tom Armstrong re illegal street parking on Kingsmount St. North during Homecoming last year; plans for this year? Cary forwarded to Hamilton Parking.

8.23 Parking acknowledged receiving and reading Tom's forwarded e-mail.

8.30 Betty Bechtel submitted a list of chronic problem in Ainslie Wood North.

9.2 Betty forwarded Tordis Coakley's list of similar problems in Ainslie Wood North.

9.8 Ira's e-mail to Gord to confirm who will be McMaster's speaker at our AGM.