



# Sapperton Residents' Association

*The purpose of the association is to preserve and enhance the livability and quality of the Sapperton neighborhood.*

## Sapperton Residents' Association Public Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, September 14, 2022 @ 7:30 pm      **Location:** Virtual via Zoom

**Attendance:** 4 residents

**Executive:** Jacob (Chair), Sandy, Jerry, Anita, Dee, Eileen, Wilf, Monica (minutes)

**Regrets:** Sandra

**City Representative:** Amanda Mackaay (Planning Dept.)

**Presenters:** Jade Liu

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| <b>1. Welcome and Introduction of Executive</b>                   | Jacob |
| <b>2. Adoption of Agenda</b> - moved; seconded; carried           | Jacob |
| <b>3. Approval of February Minutes</b> - moved; seconded; carried | Jacob |

#### **4. Update on Ongoing Projects in Sapperton** - Amanda Mackaay (CNW Rep.)

**A. Infill Townhouse project @ 8th Ave and Cumberland Street.** The RA will be notified re: an Open House. More details are coming from the applicant soon. The applicant will be required to submit notification to nearby residents. Question: Do they need to present to the RA?

**Response:** There is a new process via the BeHeardNewWest system, so a formal presentation to the RA is not required.

**B. Brewery District** – WesGroup has started developing a new plaza in the Brewery District and have submitted the Development Permit application. They are not required to do a formal Open House but have a consultation process available on their website. Amanda will send the link to this website to Monica to share with the RA. This is a joint initiative between WesGroup, Translink, RCH, and the City of New West. It will be a privately-owned public plaza. CNW is working with the developer to ensure there is unrestricted public access.

**Question:** Is there an update on the timeline for the redevelopment of Hume Park? Will the current infrastructure which is in disrepair being repaired prior to the start of the redevelopment? Action: Amanda will check and get back to us on this.

**Question:** Why is CNW allowing Wesgroup to block two lanes Eastbound on Braid St. in front of 100 Braid development? This is causing significant traffic disruptions and our understanding is that only one lane should be closed. Action: Amanda will get info and get back to us on this.

**Question:** Why has the repaving of the lanes in Lower Sapperton not been completed? A few lanes up between Kelly and Fader were repaved but the laneway between Garrett and

Wilson from Sherbrooke to Braid Streets has not been done. The alleyway between the new 408 E. Columbia Street building and Kelly Street has been trashed by trucks. Action: Amanda will look into this and get back to us.

## 5. Sapperton Trash Mo

Jacob/Sandy

- This event will be held Saturday, September 17.
- The Royal Farm Market will be providing pumpkin vouchers for all children to participate in the Trash Mob and the RA will host a pumpkin carving contest on the Thanksgiving weekend outside the Farm Market.
- Set-up for the Trash Mob will start at 9 am at Sapperton Park with the event starting at 10 am.
- Anita has routes already organized from previous trash mob events. These can be adjusted for this year's event.
- EllisDon will host a barbeque for all participants at 11:30 am.
- Dee stated the MP Peter Julian will be attending and will be taking video of his participation.
- Over 60 people have registered. One group will go to Hume Park and clean the Upper Hume area.
- Urban Academy will be doing their own clean-up on Sunday, Sept. 18 and will do the Lower Sapperton streets.
- The cost of insurance for the RA for this event is 185.
- **Motion:** To approve the expenditure of \$185.00 to pay for insurance for the Trash Mob event. **Moved; seconded; carried.**

## 6. Community Policing Report

Sandra

- Sandra was absent from today's meeting, so no Policing Updates were provided.

## 7. Pollinator Garden

Jade Liu, presenter

- Jade Liu, a local resident, presented on this initiative that she has started in Sapperton. Jade spoke about the benefits of pollinator gardens in helping to maintain bee populations and indicated this is a small way in which people can help mitigate impacts of climate change at a local level.
- She is looking for volunteers to help maintain and extend the pollinator garden at Sapperton Park. She has already done a significant amount of work there with a small team of volunteers. The garden is in Sapperton Park by the washrooms at the edge of the playground.
- She received a grant from a non-profit and extended the garden by 40 square metres. She has partnered with the Native Plant Network to include plants that are native to this area.
- Jade hopes to double the existing space with another grant, but needs volunteers to help maintain the garden as CNW does not have enough staff to do so.
- She mentioned that there is a Youtube video that includes a tutorial by a CNW worker on how to take care of pollinator gardens.
- Jade is looking for a pledge from the SRA to support this initiative so she can apply for this grant as she needs volunteer commitments to make this plan a reality.

- Residents in attendance were supportive of this initiative and indicated there are enough people in the area who can help.
- One resident said she could get her daughter's Brownie troop involved. Another resident suggested we can contact Geoff Pinkerton who works with the local Scout troop. Another resident suggested spreading the word about this through the New West Mom's Group.
- **Action:** Forward Jade the minutes from today's meeting.

#### **8. New Business:**

- Wreath for Remembrance Day ceremony. Do we want to order a wreath to be placed at the in-person Remembrance Day ceremony to be held at City Hall on November 11?

**Motion:** To approve the purchase of a \$40.00 wreath for the CNW ceremony on November 11, 2022. **Moved; seconded; carried.**

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:40 pm.

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

- 1) **Trash Mob – September 17, 10 am @ Sapperton Park**
- 2) **Pumpkin Carving event – October 10 @ RFM**
- 3) **Next Public Meeting (includes AGM)-Wednesday, November 9, at 7:30 pm – via Zoom**