

ST. LAWRENCE NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING March 31, 2021

The 2021 Annual General Meeting of the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association was held virtually on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 via Zoom Meeting.

1. OPENING OF MEETING AND WELCOME

Toby Tenenbaum confirmed quorum.

Stewart Linton, President of the SLNA acting as Chair advised that, with quorum achieved and all required notification and documentation issued, the meeting was properly constituted, and he called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Mr. Linton advised that motions would be approved by calling for objections only. There were no objections.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a **motion** by Jamie Cappelli **seconded** by Donna Campbell **it was resolved** to approve the agenda as presented. **The motion was carried**

3. MOTIONS

3.1 Minutes of the St Lawrence Neighbourhood Association Annual General Meeting held October 28, 2020

On a **motion** by Jamie Cappelli, **seconded** by Doug Maybank **it was resolved** to approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held October 28, 2020 as presented. **The motion was carried**

3.2 Audited Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2020

The Financial Statements were reviewed. Mr. Linton noted that total assets over liabilities increased slightly over prior year. There was a shortfall of income over expenses in the amount of \$1,510 which was similar to previous years.

Revenue from Membership Fees increased back to 2018 levels. There was no Sponsorship revenue as there were no events to sponsor due to the pandemic. Although there were no expenses for physical activities, expenses to prepare and conduct virtual meetings and upgrade electronic communications were understandably higher than anticipated and higher than previous years.

On a **motion** by Jamie Cappelli, **seconded** by Lynn Ann Mulrooney **it was resolved** to accept the financial statements as reviewed and prepared by Hogg, Shain and Scheck Professional Corporation, for the year ending December 31, 2020 as presented. **The motion was carried**

3.3 Appointment of Accountants

On a **motion** by Suzanne Kavanagh, **seconded** by Don James **it was resolved** to appoint Hogg, Shain & Sheck PC as the accountants to conduct SLNA's financial review for the 2021 fiscal year. **The motion was carried**

4. ELECTION OF DIRECTOR

At this time, Mr. Linton advised that although Mr. Bruno Leps was not seeking re-election, he would remain active especially in respect to his special interests such as waste reduction. On behalf of the Board and the SLNA Mr. Leps was thanked for his contributions over many years. Many Chat responses echoed Mr. Linton's sentiments.

Mr. Linton advised that there was one nomination for the vacant three-year Board position. Ms. Sandra Fishleigh from the OWN Co-op had accepted that nomination. As previously announced, as this was a virtual meeting nominations would not be accepted from the floor. Mr. Linton asked Secretary Renate Tilson to cast the vote for and declare Sandra Fishleigh elected by acclamation to the Board.

Mr. Linton then called for a motion for the delegates to ratify the election of Sandra Fishleigh by acclamation.

On a **motion** by Mary McDonald, **seconded** by Jamie Cappelli **it was resolved** to ratify the election by acclamation of Sandra Fishleigh, OWN Co-op to the SLNA Board. **The motion was carried**

Ms. Fishleigh was invited to briefly introduce herself to the delegates, which she did.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Linton advised that at the Board meeting the Board would ratify membership of committee members currently serving on committees.

Mr. Linton also requested that delegates reserve the following dates:

April 15, 2021 - Public Meeting

A public meeting has been scheduled to discuss the 1 Parliament site. Metrolinx has accepted an invitation to attend.

July 1, 2021 - Canada Day Celebrations

The SLNA will be partnering with Jamii and possibly others for this event.

6. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Although it has been a short period since the last Annual General Meeting held in October, it has been one of the busiest for the SLNA. Mr. Linton then reviewed some of the activities that are the focus of the Strategic Plan approved at the October 2020 Annual General meeting.

Responsible Development

The SLNA has been actively engaged with the City and various developers, providing opinion and feedback on proposed and submitted development plans supported by the invaluable, expert guidance of Suzanne Kavanagh. Delegates can review SLNA activities over past years by referring to the minutes of previous Annual General Meetings which are posted on the SLNA.ca website.

Heritage Preservation

The feature events of the past few months related to the SLNA becoming a founding member of Friends of the Foundry and, in collaboration with the West Donlands Committee, the successful petition to the Superior Court for a stop order on the demolition on the Foundry site issued on January 27, 2021. Although the stop order remains in effect, it is only an interim. Negotiations are ongoing and donations are still being accepted.

Community – Focus on Information

The Board has been, and will continue to focus on the following themes:

- Keeping the community advised of COVID-19 vaccination information
- Establishment of a new “In Search Of” hub - <https://www.slna.ca/iso.html> - for neighbourhood associations and organizations can identify their needs that perhaps other members could address.
- Working on some type of production to celebrate Canada Day.

Participation – Advocacy

The SLNA has provided input on a number of city and provincial issues including:

City: snow clearance, elementary school funding, YongeTO and the Wellington/Scott streetlight discussion.

Province: the use of Ministerial Zoning Orders (MZOs) and the Foundry.

Mr. Linton noted that the SLNA supported all the issues and positions advanced by the City and none of those advanced or proposed by Province.

Relationships – Networking

- Founding supporter of Friends of the Foundry.
- Along with the West Donlands Committee, SLNA representatives met with a provincial government assistant deputy minister regarding what the province refers to as the Eastern Avenue Consultation, which relates to the Foundry issue.
- Provided support for Jamii’s request for third-party funding for its *Looks Like Us* programming.

OTHER BUSINESS (Cont’d)

Mr. Linton then invited any new business or questions.

Toby Tenenbaum advised that the SLNA Board participated in several stakeholder consultations relating to the reconfiguration of The Esplanade that will be designed to reduce non-local traffic.

Don James advised that Staff Sargent Todd has been invited to the SLNA’s April Board meeting to review several issues. Mr. James is the SLNA’s liaison with Toronto Police Services.

7. CLOSE OF MEETING

The business of the meeting having concluded, Mr. Linton called for a motion to terminate the meeting.

On a **motion** by Suzanne Kavanagh the 2021 Annual General Meeting of the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association was terminated at 7:30 p.m. **The motion was carried**

President

Director

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APPROVED MOTIONS

1. Agenda

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2. Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting

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3. Year-end Financial Statements – Year Ending December 31, 2020

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5. Election of Director – Sandra Fishleigh Acclaimed

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6. Termination of Meeting

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