

# The Park in the City Committee

4:00 p.m. - Wednesday, January 17, 2018

## MacBain Community Centre Boardroom Minutes of Meeting

### Present:

Audrey Fraser, Curtis Thompson, Pat Mascarin, Paisley January-Pool, Janet Hassall, Frank Fohr, John Anstruther, Michal Lukac, Kenneth Groves, Councillor Victor Pietrangelo, Councillor Mike Strange, Jeff Guarasci (Staff), David Antonsen (Staff).

### Regrets:

Elizabeth Manker, Corey Barkman

## 1. Welcome

### a) *Guest Speaker – Joyce Sankey, Niagara Falls Nature Club*

Joyce made the committee aware of vandalism that is occurring at Baden Powell Park and also about illegal dumping that took place in an existing PSW within the Fernwood Park area.

**IT WAS MOVED BY Paisley January-Pool, second by Dr. Kenneth Groves that the Park in the City Committee recommend that Council direct staff to take action to have the situation of illegal dumping of soil within the Provincially Significant Wetland located behind Tapestry Court remediated and that existing by-laws be reviewed to help with enforcement of these situations in the future.**

**Motion Carried.**

**IT WAS MOVED BY Paisley January-Pool, second by Pat Mascarin that the concerns of vandalism within Baden Powell Park be brought to the attention of Staff for review.**

**Motion Carried.**

**IT WAS MOVED BY Frank Fohr, second by Michal Lukac that Staff investigate if there is an opportunity to utilize the rail bridge that travels along Baden Powell Park, across the Welland River and attaches to George Bukator Park as a future trail link.**

**Motion Carried.**

## Adoption of Minutes

The Park in the City Committee minutes from November 15, 2017.

**IT WAS MOVED BY Pat Mascarin, second by Paisley January-Pool, that the minutes of the meeting of November 15, 2017 be approved as written.**

**Motion Carried.**

## 2. Business Arising from Minutes of November 15, 2017

### a) *Park in the City Committee Terms of Reference*

Members reviewed the existing terms of Reference and discussed and implemented changes.

**IT WAS MOVED BY Frank Fohr, second by Curtis Thompson, that the Park in the City Committee Terms of Reference be approved as written.**

**Motion Carried.**

## 3. Events & Programs

### a) *Ride of Silence*

New partners in the SCVFA and the Amici Per La Vita Cycling Club will be involved with organizing the event and delivering the event.

### b) *Arbour Day Location*

The committee voted to host Arbour Day along the western trail in the Fernwood Subdivision.

### c) *Tree Seedling Species*

Seedling species are confirmed for 2018. They are White Cedar, Shagbark Hickory, Sugar Maple, Pin Oak and Sycamore.

## 4. Transportation and Trails

### a) *Millennium Trail Update*

- The trail has been approved through the City's capital budget for 2018.
- The Niagara Region is planning to do sewer improvements throughout the proposed trail corridor, which will affect the start time for construction on the trail.
- Public consultation will take place later in the year.

## 5. New Business

### a) *Riverfront Community Project Open House*

An open house is set to review the proposed amendment to the City's Official Plan referencing the Riverfront Community project. The date is set for January 24, 2018.

## 6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

### **Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 4:00 pm at the MacBain Community Centre.