

JRA Bi-Monthly Board Meeting Agenda and Minutes #3 (2021)

Date: May 19, 2021

Where: Zoom

Time: 7-8pm

Attendees:

Regrets:

Chair: Helen

Minute/Note taker: Katey

Time	Item	Discussion	Notes	Action items (who & what)
10	Meetings with Councillor Perks	-Debrief of April 29 meeting Katey's notes: https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:ac1ec150-5918-4931-8933-cb07e75c2fbf -Debrief of May 17 Junction town hall	JRA Meeting May 19, 2020 In attendance: Helen Mario Sue F Katey Pam Vicky Now recording the minutes with the zoom ap H—Vicky is co secretary, perhaps you and Katey can swap taking minutes M- do we have quorum?	

**H- We are only missing Tuli,
we are fine**

H- Debrief Gord Meeting:

**How did people feel? Any
thing we should focus on or
just wait for Chris to get back
to us...?**

**M- he was talking about
having session called
Development 101 to train
residents for how to deal with
developments- i liked the idea**

**H- I remember him saying we
needed to identify laneways
to get community involved**

M- recaps meeting

**H- perhaps we can take
another meeting to identify
what's most important to us,
and committees and decide
what we are going to ask for
more action about**

Town hall? How was it?

**M- it was a lot to take in, a bit
of a rant session for people. A
lot of interest in the
community and hard for them
to prioritize. Whatever makes
more noise...**

			<p>H- I wonder if we can ID what our community is more priority. We could have a meeting with a say in the agenda.</p> <p>M- it should be our meeting that he is invited to</p> <p>H- We had luck co-hosting town hall in park dale.... ie. single use plastics and what we could do. Turn out was good because Gord's office promoted it</p> <p>If he's going to host town halls, we have more of a say if we co-host</p> <p>M- what's on agenda</p> <p>H- debrief of Gord; next is JRA committees; then next steps for supporting them; farmers market; foster; Defun</p> <p>K- Is there any minutes or recording</p> <p>H- I can share it</p>	
30	JRA Committees	-Update on Development (Mario)	H- Committees:	

	Board	<p>-Update on Community Support Initiatives (Tuli and Helen)</p> <p>-Update on Environmental Stewardship Committee (Pam)</p> <p>-Update on Rail Issues (Helen)</p> <p>-Identify next steps for supporting active committees (please review the list of active committees in the link below): https://drive.google.com/file/d/1A3J0HWWxb2Vyr5A_NE7-8z8h9TpxKuj/view?usp=sharing</p> <p>Identify how we can recruit a Communications Coordinator</p>	<p>Updates from Development Community support Environmental Stewardship</p> <p>Development: M- Some info on developments: 3906 Dundas is planning to appeal and the city now has a timeline to review application, now that he is going to appeal; Hospital- Gabriel has been reporting efforts with hospital and it's not good. It's important to realize they have a longterm interest in community unlike a developer. They should have been held to a higher test, and we mentioned it to Gord....; An avenue study is still high priority Sue- When i talk to Andrew, I'll try and record it so we have a record and I can share with you (Mario- or have someone there taking notes)</p> <p>Community Support: This is the committee that did food drive, carolling. Mission is to help/support the lives of people in the hood. We met May 5th and the spring food</p>	
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drive was very successful. We want to ID street/Zone captains. Anytime we have an initiative, they would inform/disperse to their neighbours. Someone on committee works for Daily Bread Food Bank and has Non profit experience. Lots of connections and creating things like what the terms of reface (roll) is of ambassadors. We are going to have 3 flagship events 1) Spring food drive 2) Thanksgiving Food Drive 3) Carolling in Dec. Mahima and Sam are going to create a calendar of events and themes ie. local community celebrations, events re food security, housing, environment— anything within focus. Want to fill out calendar and build out social media strategy from it. Also to facilitate community education around these topics. and then we can start hosting town halls on things ie. laneways, trees, garden houses, housing, community spaces.

Env Stewardship: Met with Marian? (Name?) to talk about about watering trees and the

adopt a tree program. She used to organize volunteers to go and water trees. Pam and I trying to figure out a way to work with BIA and community to water trees. Marian is drafting a letter to the BIA to see if they can help with watering, and impress upon them it's their responsibility, even though we

K- can we connect with people who are on the waiting list for the High Park gardens?

P- I will try to find out who's in charge of community gardens

Rail:

Jason wrote an official letter of complaint, and I gave them the info to start and he did the research, and neighbour collaborated, sent it off to CP to see if they will address

H- moving on to committees. I included a link to active committees, showing info we've got so far and list of people interested...

8 Possible Committees if we want to get started and get people working on them (see document for more details):

Community support: 3 things I ID'd: planning f flagship community initiatives, 2. strategy for outreach 3. dev community education strategy (inform neighbours about various issues in the junction

Events: plans and communicates events- proposed- month cleanup, post covid event, exploring ways to hold virtual events. So far Gabriel is into the events committee, Katey, and Vicky— please add your own ideas, and we will send them out to membership to see if they are interested.

Env Stewardship - Pam is point and Helen is supporting- support healthy sustainable community and lower carbon footprint. Reads lists

Community Spaces Committee- how to bring more community spaces. and to collaborate with Development committee to develop Streetscape Ave. Study

**Development Committee:
focus on current and future
developments**

Supporting Local Businesses

Communications:

Rail Issues:

**H- would be good to invite
members in to discuss
committees meetings**

**We need to meet to review
Gord's responses to our
meeting- once before next
JRA board meeting**

**Add your committee ideas to
the notes**

**After Jun 2 we will get
together a package on how
members can volunteer and
participate. We have 40
memberships**

**M- do we have a membership
committee? H- no right now**

15	<p>Junction Farmers Market</p> <p>FOSTRA</p> <p>FUN</p>	<p>-identify who can table at the farmers market</p> <p>-identify who will create flyer for farmers market. Should we just revise the flyer we used for the membership drive?</p> <p>-Summary of FOSTRAs recruitment meeting (Mario)</p> <p>-Vote: Should we join FOSTRAs? Please see documents below for FOSTRAs pitch to residents groups: https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:a8135b4a-846d-4def-a056-284cb71c0bd1</p> <p>https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:99534d2b-4eef-4f0d-8202-4e416188a258</p> <p>-Identify if it would be of benefit to join the Federation of Urban Neighbourhoods https://urbanneighbourhoods.ca/</p>	<p>Junction Farmer's Market: we have been asked to participate and give something to hand out to people. We can reuse previous flyers. Asked them to send calendar to ID when we could go- end of July? We would need people to be there 9am-1pm</p> <p>Fostra- M- New organization: Federation of South Toronto Resident's Association, Not-for profit organization, \$25 a year, need reps from the Junction (Helen and Mario); Federation of North Toronto has been very active, FOSTRAs was formed in response, to have a voice for JRA at these meetings. We will bring issues to them after we voted for them.</p> <p>Vicky- JRA should pay the \$25 fee K- I second it</p>	

			FUN- Is this a group we should be associated with?- H & M- not yet. They seem mostly interested in fighting HWY 413 right now. We can revisit in future. WRAP	
5	Wrap	Next steps		