



## **Minutes of Upper Avenue Community Association AGM 2020 Held April 20, 2021**

### **Special Note:**

The UACA 2020 AGM was held on April 20, 2021 due to the Covid-19 Global Pandemic. A Provincial Emergency Order allowed corporations to delay their AGM for a period of six months. The UACA AGM was delayed from its normal time of November 2020, to April 2021 and the meeting was held virtually via Zoom. Previous Minutes of the meeting were circulated in advance electronically as well as a listing of the proposed Board of Directors for 2021.

With the Emergency Order ending in March 2021, the 2021 UACA AGM will resume to its normal time, November 2021. This coincides with our business calendar year of November to October.

### **Minutes of Meeting:**

Meeting Facilitator: Jodie Katz

Presenters: France Rochette  
Matthew Colle  
Brian Stendel  
Debbie Pila  
Pam Main

Special Guests: Councillor Mike Colle  
Caroline Duffy, Councillors Office

Attendees: 77 people attended

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1. Meeting commenced at 7:30 p.m. and guests were welcomed by Jodie Katz. Request was made for volunteers to join UACA, specifically targeting expertise in the areas of Urban Planning, Law, and Communications.

Outgoing Board of Directors from 2020 was thanked for their contribution. National Volunteer Week was recognized by the Facilitator. Special recognition was extended to Brian Stendel who elected to step down from the Board but still continue in a volunteer capacity.

2. Agenda for the evening was reviewed requesting Q&A's to be held until the end.
3. Councillor Colle was welcomed as our Guest Speaker.
4. Outgoing Board of Directors was presented, and Directors thanked for their contribution through the year. Contributing Volunteers were also thanked and recognized for their work and support.
5. Matthew Cole, Treasurer, presented the year end financials for the 2020 Operating year. A second financial update was provided to end of March 2021.

As of October 31, 2020, year-end bank balance was: \$2,422

As of March 31, 2021, bank balance was: \$3,574

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and the Minutes of the 2020 AGM was held:

First: Jodie Katz

Second: Pam Main

Vote to Approve: 40 in favour, zero opposed

Slate of Officers and Directors was presented for the 2021 Year. Eight Directors and Three Officers and Directors. France Rochette will continue as Chair for the 2021 year.

Motion to approve the 2021 Board of Officers and Directors:

First: France Rochette

Second: Matthew Cole

Vote to Approve: 40 in favour, zero opposed

6. Jodie as Facilitator presented our Mission Statement and Core Values. Copies of these are available on our Website. Recognition was extended to Aisha Mayne for her leadership in facilitating the Mission Statement and Core Values development process.

7. Development Update was presented by France Rochette, Chair. Updates were presented for:
  - a. Residential Committee of Adjustment Process
  - b. Cannabis store updates
  - c. Garden Suites review by City
  - d. Flooding work
  - e. Avenue and Lawrence Development
  - f. 250 Lawrence West Development and upcoming Glengarry Park
  - g. 1580 Avenue Road condos
  - h. 3111 Bathurst Street townhouse development
  - i. 228 Wilson high rise apartment
  - j. 4050 Yonge Street Condo and hotel project
  - k. Roe Bus Loop
  - l. Introduction of Survey process in 2020
  
8. Membership Update was presented by Brian Stendel.
  - a. Email subscriber list has grown from 282 at beginning of 2020 to 719.
  - b. Membership has grown from 21 to 60.
  - c. Membership pricing plan was reviewed.
  - d. Review of “how to join” UACA.
  
9. Communications update was presented by Brian Stendel. Items presented included:
  - a. Goal in 2020 was to improve quality of communication
  - b. Review of eblast and quarterly newsletter process
  - c. Social media launches – Twitter, Instagram
  - d. Rebranding work presented – new logo, design for newsletters, letterhead, email
  - e. Website update is underway
  
10. Safety Committee updated was presented by Pam Main. Presentation items included:
  - a. Safety Committee introduction
  - b. Committee focus
  - c. Review of historic metrics for Auto Theft and Break and Enter
  - d. Review of “how to report a crime” and importance of doing this

11. The “Events” Committee, Chaired by Debbie Pila, provided an update on 2020 activity.
  - a. Drums N Flats fundraiser
  - b. Fall Fest on Upper Avenue, October 2019
  - c. Review of potential upcoming events
  
12. Special Guest Speaker, Councillor Mike Colle provided an update on Ward 8 activity.
  - a. Better Bathurst project
  - b. Upper Avenue Traffic Study
  - c. Cycling/Highway of Heroes Tree Planting at 401/Avenue Rd
  - d. Avenue Road Bell box public art improvement
  - e. Crime statistics for the Bedford Park-Nortown area
  - f. Incident breakdown
  - g. Development update for Ward 8
  
13. Facilitator, Jodie Katz moderated the Question-and-Answer Period. Questions posed by the attendees:
  - a. How do we manage Porch Pirates?
  - b. Suggestion on how to manage boom in dog ownership and waste.
  - c. Request to Councillor for assistance on Laneway Suites opposition.
  - d. Concern about noise pollution from gas blowers.
  - e. What is appropriate for posting on social media of porch pirates or other crime incidents witnessed.
  
14. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. by Facilitator, Jodie Katz. Attendees were thanked for attending as well as guest speaker Councillor Colle. Slides for the AGM are available on our website.

Minutes scribed by Pam Main, April 20, 2021.