

Westmount Municipal Association  
Monthly General Meeting  
Monday, March 13, 2017 at 7 pm  
Westmount Room, Westmount Library

Meeting chaired by Paul Marriott  
Minutes taken by Patricia Dumais

#### 1 – Meeting Call to Order

Present: Patricia Dumais PD, Marilynn Gillies MG, Maureen Kiely MK, Paul Marriott PM

Absent: Alex Caruthers AC, Meghan Dumford MD, Nigel Goddard NG, Allan Kobelansky AK, Markus Martin MM, Liz McCallum LM, Mavis Young MY

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

Not approved for lack of quorum

#### 3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and January 23, 2017.

Not approved for lack of quorum

#### 4. Opening Remarks From the Chair

##### March Council meeting

PM requested the results of the Safe Walk citizen survey done in 2010 and was told he would receive them. There is talk of a new online Safe Walk citizen survey. MG commented that citizens may not be so inclined to participate in a second survey if they are not made aware of any improvements resulting from the first survey.

The City approved a budget for sidewalk repair. PM suggests revisiting driveway cuts. MK spoke of a citizen who recently suffered a bad fall on Thornhill because of the damaged road. She also questioned the seeming lack of quality control as many recently redone streets and sidewalks suffer from premature cracks.

The City named David Descoteaux to the new position of Assistant Director – Municipal Buildings Division.

PD reported that the consulting firm AGIL was hired to oversee the establishment of a vision for the South-East project. As well, the City announced legal action against KPM-Turcot for inaction concerning the City's request for a sound barrier.

#### 5. Action Items From Previous Meeting

##### AGM

The upcoming AGM will take place on Wednesday, May 10 in Victoria Hall. "Green Living in Westmount" will be the theme with 3 or 4 guest speakers who will speak on the subject. Possible speakers include Sevag Pogharian of Montreal Zero, Pierre Gauthier of Concordia, Jason Prince of Concordia and Ahmed El Gheneidi of McGill. PM will solicit ideas from the potential speakers on how to best approach the theme. One possible subject is Westmount's South-East Project as an opportunity to implement green practices in urban planning.

Membership lists to be updated by AK and MG

The order of service is complete. Board members have been assigned their duties.

##### Vendome Metro 2nd Access

MK reported on plans for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vendome Metro hospital access. At the last public meeting questions arose about the width of the passageway and the lack of escalators for the disabled.

### **Glen Arch Heritage Designation**

At Council, a proclamation by the Government of Quebec was read, officially naming the Glen Arch a heritage monument to be protected.

### **WMA input to Urban Planning Guidelines**

PM will contact Councilor Samiotis to arrange a meeting on WMA input on Urban Planning Guidelines that was to have taken place earlier but had been postponed.

### **6. Standing Committee Reports**

#### **Finance committee**

No report

#### **Livability committee**

PM reported that NG expressed concern about the changing of the street directions for Abbott and Hillside avenues.

#### **Governance committee**

No report.

### **7. New Business**

#### **Upcoming Bon Voisinage Turcot Meeting**

There will be a public meeting on Monday, March 27 at St-Raymond. PD will attend to keep track of Sound Barrier issue.

#### **Provigo-Loblaw Project**

There is mounting concern about the possibility of the construction of both the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vendome Hospital Access and the Provigo-Loblaw Project taking place around the same time, prompting far too much truck traffic in the area.

### **8. Next meeting**

Next meeting: **Monday, April 10** at 7 pm in the Westmount Room of the Library.

### **9. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.



Patricia Dumais  
Recording Secretary, WMA