

Westmount Municipal Association
Monthly General Meeting
Monday, April 10, 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, Meghan Durnford MD, Marilyn Gillies MG, Maureen Kiely MK, Allan Kobelansky AK, Paul Marriott PM, Liz McCallum LM, Mavis Young MY

Absent: Alex Caruthers AC, Nigel Goddard NG, Markus Martin MM

2. Approval of Agenda

Approved by MK, seconded by MG

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of December 12th, 2016, January 23, 2017 and March 13, 2017

Approved by MG, seconded by MD, with a minor correction in the minutes of December 12, 2016 – Under Bad Design of Dog Runs: “told of” instead of “exclaimed”.

4. Action Items From Previous Meeting

AGM

With the sudden departure of Mayor Peter Trent, PM suggested having him as guest speaker, talking of how he sees Westmount's future. PD suggested also having an environmental/urban-planning expert to complement the vision with an environmental perspective. The Board took a vote and agreed to have only Trent as speaker.

PM will send the Board an updated order of service.

He will also prepare the wording for a certificate to be presented to Trent.

PD will ask the library to select a book to be donated.

Volunteer of the year

An invitation to nominate candidates has been up on the web site and an article will appear shortly in the Independent. PD said she would also post the invitation on WestmountMag.ca

A discussion ensued over who should nominate a candidate as some candidates were being nominated by relatives. It was unanimously decided that candidates must not be nominated by relatives but by other members of the community to lend credibility.

Membership

AK will transfer the membership list to Mail chimp to send emails.

Members are to be invited to the upcoming AGM and reminded of the renewal of their membership.

7. New Business

Mayor Trent's Departure

The sudden resignation of Mayor Peter Trent requires that Council elect an Interim Mayor. The City is to post the process on its web site shortly. The acclamation or vote for Interim Mayor will take place Monday, April 24 at 7pm in the Council chamber and is open to the public.

Bylaw Change

The Board has voted unanimously to reduce the number of Board members required from 12 to 7, with a maximum of 20 Board members. Quorum would be reached with 5 members present.

8. Next meeting

Next meeting: **AGM, Wednesday, May 10** at 6:30 pm in Victoria Hall.

The Board may meet earlier to finalize details.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patricia Dumais', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Patricia Dumais
Recording Secretary, WMA