



## Annual General Meeting

Tuesday November 19, 2019 at 7:00pm  
Lorne Park Hall – 1288 Lorne Park Road, Mississauga

Number of people in attendance: 21

1. **Welcome and Call to Order** by Sarah Gray, HRA Board President
  - Time called to order: 7:03 pm
  - Moved by: Mary Kidnew
  - Seconded by: John Cassan
2. **Approval of Agenda**
  - Moved to accept by: Mary Kidnew
  - Seconded by: John Cassan
3. **Introduction of Board and Distinguished Guests**
4. **Remarks by Bonnie Crombie, Mayor of Mississauga**

### City's 2020 Budget Update:

- Approx. 3.8% increase to resident tax bills (pending): 1.74% increase of city taxes, 2.1 % increase of regional taxes.
- Council/Budget Committee is trying to whittle down the budget/tax increase. Councillor Karen Ras is our budget watchdog.
- 1.7% increase related to Fire Safety Programs: opening 6 new fire stations, renovating 3 stations.
- 1% is related infrastructure – to keep our infrastructure at par.
- Debt level is at 3% and there 1% reserve for new projects.
- The city always a balanced budget; cannot run a deficit.
- Regional tax increase because of Provincial downloads.
- City needs: IT experts for cyber security, more public transit, Central Library renovation. Need provincial and Federal funding for marina at Port St.

### Regional Governance Review outcome:

- Province decided not to split Mississauga from Brampton and Caledon. Region of Peel will continue to operate generally as it has before (some changes/efficiencies are expected).
- The Mayor discussed the tax contributions of the three municipalities and the distributions from the Region to the municipalities.

## **5. Remarks by Karen Ras, Ward 2 City Councilor**

- Discussed ongoing concerns regarding coyotes. City asks that residents do not feed coyotes or leave pet food out.
- Discussed cankerworms and gypsy moths: City is conducting assessment in Fall 2019 to determine if spraying is required in Spring 2020.
- Gas Tax Funding: Residents have submitted ideas for potential projects that can be funded from the \$2million that each Ward receives. Note: Hillcrest Board sent Karen Ras the ideas that residents emailed to the HRA Board.
- Air BnB: Mississauga is expected to follow Toronto's lead in which their By-Law was upheld to limit Air BnB to owner-occupied homes.
- Traffic Calming: A crossing guard will be posted at Truscott and Robillard in the new year until a lighted, raised pedestrian is built in the summer of 2020.
- Neighbourhood streets will have a 40kmh limit starting as soon as January 2020.
- Nine Creek Trail: Concerns will be addressed regarding the difficult crossing at Southdown Road by reconfiguring the crosswalks.
- General discussion re development applications – residents can go to “Planning Hub Mississauga” to see what is happening in our area.
- Karen answered questions from the audience.

## **6. Approval of Minutes of Annual General Meeting from November 14, 2018**

- Moved to accept by: Helen Porritt
- Seconded by: Wilma Irwin

## **7. Board of Directors report**

- President's Report by Sarah Gray
- Secretary's Report by Sarah Gray
- Membership Report by Wilma Irwin
- Treasurer's Report by Robert Harrick
- At Large Report by Catherine Sople
  
- Moved to accept all reports: Mary Kidnew
- Seconded by: John Cassan

## **8. Board of Directors for 2019 - 2020**

- Nomination of directors for 2019 – 2020: Sarah Gray, Wilma Irwin, Bob Harrick, Mary Kidnew
- Nominations from the floor: Michael Rajk
- Election of the Board of Directors for 2019- 2020 – Slate of nominees accepted
  
- Moved by: Helen Porritt
- Seconded by: John Cassan

## **9. Remarks by Rudy Cuzzetto, MPP Mississauga Lakeshore South**

- Discussed school funding and class size.

- QEW bridge across the Credit River: This is a historical bridge and should be preserved. Resident suggested that Mississauga Historical Society should get involved in saving the bridge.
- Presto Cards for Public Transit
  - Resident noted that there will be a need for a tourist or “friend” card for visitors.
  - Resident requested that Metrolinx consider a family card for a one-tap ride that covers the family.
  - Resident noted that city/province will need to consider how the homeless will be able use public transit – consider pre-loaded cards.
- Resident asked if Metrolinx will be renaming/selling the naming rights to the Clarkson Go Station. Minister will follow-up. Resident asked why the shingles vaccine is not covered for seniors over 80 years old. Minister will follow-up.

### **10. New Business / Open Forum**

- Sarah Gray read parts of a letter from Hillcrest Middle School’s principal requesting that residents not use the school yard as a leash-free zone. The school yard is not leash free. The school has also found a significant amount of pet waste in the school yard. HRA will include a reminder in upcoming e-newsletter that the school yard is not leash-free and that pet owners must pick up waste.
- Residents note that school dumpsters are being used by general public which is not allowed. HRA will include a reminder in upcoming e-newsletter.
- Residents along Robillard noted that the street near the school is marked No Parking. However, many parents are parking along Robillard as school lets out which makes it difficult for residents to navigate the street. HRA Board will contact the school to ask that they include a note in their announcements, and HRA board will include a reminder that no parking is allowed on Robillard in upcoming e-newsletter.

### **11. Adjournment at 9:30pm**