Westwood Hills Residents' Association <u>Virtual</u> Board Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2021

7:30 – 9:30pm *APPROVED*

Present: Dustin O'Leary (President), Justin Ells (Vice-President) Trevor Magarvey (Director), Carol Grimmitt (Director), Melissa Nurse (Director), Richard O'Fegan (Director), Debbie Whyte (Director), Stephen Nurse (Treasurer), & Julie Gratzer (Secretary)

Regrets: Carrie Edwards-Young (Director), Natalie Jay (Director)

21.02.01 Approval of the Agenda

Steve/Carol All approved Motion carried

21.02.02 Approval of the January 20, 2021 minutes

Steve/Debbie All approved Motion carried

21.02.03 Matters Arising

a) <u>Crosswalk between Tim's and</u> Arena

Justin reported that Councillor Lovelace is looking into this to make sure another traffic study at this intersection will be conducted at a time that would be most be reflective of when students would be in this area. Dustin is on the agenda for the next meeting for the SMB Arena Board to discuss this topic.

ACTION: Justin to keep following up with Councillor Lovelace.

ACTION: Dustin to reach out to the SMB Arena Board again and will mention it to Councillor Lovelace again at his upcoming meeting with her.

b) Bike lanes / walking lanes

ACTION: Dustin to discuss this with the Councillor and bring update to April meeting

c) Recreational activities

Deb reported re the tax briefing idea – her friend is not interested in doing the briefing over Zoom. Other suggestions were: RCMP safety briefing and home safety briefing, craft activities, paint classes or cooking over Zoom. Engaging with elderly may have to wait until COVID is over. Suggestion to put out a notice out to the residents asking for volunteers to conduct on-line activities to engage the neighbourhood.

ACTION: Julie to send Deb Kaitlyn's info re Yoga on-line.

ACTION: Dustin to craft the message that will go out and put in newsletter and on the website.

ACTION: Deb and Natalie to post to WWHRA FB page.

d) Patchwork pavement in WWH

Justin reported he contacted Councillor Lovelace and she agreed to send forward informative messages re any upcoming construction in the area to the WWHRA secretary e-mail.

e) Annual Fire Smart

Messaging sent to Dustin. Dustin working on this important messaging to go out to folks - use the message board for reminders.

ACTION: Deb to collect various messages and send to Carrie (for the message board) and Dustin (for content for latest newsletter). **ACTION:** Dustin to reach out to Erica Fleck to re-form

connection regarding fire smart and update documentation to show Justin Ells as the Vice-President.

f) Neighbourhood clean-up initiative

Carrie was not in attendance but forwarded a message to say that late March / early April would be a good time for the event. The board members decided to hold the event the weekend before Earth Day (April 17/18) and the rain date would be the weekend after Earth Day (April 24/25). Dustin suggested Carrie review the *Great NS Pick Me Up* website (via Efficiency NS). Councillor Lovelace and Ben Jessome should be notified and invited to participate.

ACTION: Julie to e-mail Carrie with info above. **ACTION:** Dustin to put this info in the newsletter. **ACTION:** Carrie to follow same messaging as the newsletter and post info on the WWHRA FB page.

g) WWH Blvd maintenance

ACTION: Steve to reach out to Colin to get a quote.

21.02.04 Area Rate

The WWHRA board decided not to defer this year.

21.02.05 WWHRA FB Page Discussion Follow Up

Small group met (Dustin, Justin, Steve and Julie) and it was decided to put a call out over the WWHRA FB page to see if there were any residents interest in moderating the page. No responses received so far. The discussion resulted in the thought that the WWH Board would eventually move away from moderating the FB page, but we would need to ensure there were level-headed neighbours taking over the managing of the FB page before doing so.

21.02.06 Trail Project Update

The executive met with the Cobequid Consulting to review the plans over Zoom. Confidential DRAFT plans/conceptual drawings were circulated to the board members. Clarification was made that the entrance by Giant Steps would not be a public entrance. The other entrance off of Wyndam would be the public entrance. Loose public access off of High Timber. Have to be careful not to term it as a playground. Outreach to stakeholders and homeowners is needed. A survey was done so there is clear understanding of where the property lines are. The trail itself is a full kilometre. The building of the equipment can be staged so cost effective. It was thought that the removal of the covert crawl would be a good idea. Residents in the area of the trail entrances need to be contacted before anything goes out to residents.

ACTION: Dustin to suggest to Councillor Lovelace that the trail be accessible. As the WWHRA doesn't have the money to do this perhaps HRM could pay for this. Dustin will discuss with the Councillor the issue with parking, ownership of the trail, insurance, garbage cans and garbage collection.

21.02.07 Other Business

<u>Moving traffic signs</u> – Suggestion to ask Jason Sampson on Windbreak to assist and possibility joining the Board. **ACTION:** Dustin to send Jason a note.

21.02.08 Adjournment

MOTION to adjourn the meeting

Steve / Trevor All approved Motion carried

Meeting adjourned 9:38pm

Respectfully submitted by, Julie Gratzer, Secretary