



Minutes
NECA AGM Meeting - 28 October 2020
Via ZOOM

Board Members Present: Ari Abonyi, Ted Bennett, Sean Flynn, Katherin Hall, Christina Leadlay, Gail McEachern, Cindy Parkanyi, Tamara Sorger

Guests: About 50 New Edinburgh residents, Councillor Rawlson King

1. Welcome, approval of minutes and agenda:

President Cindy Parkanyi welcomed everyone and confirmed quorum (25). Given the virtual nature, participants were asked to remain on mute when not speaking. Those joining by computer or tablet were instructed use the “raise hand” or chat feature to indicate that they would like to comment. She further explained that she would open discussion up to those on the phone at appropriate intervals. For approval of motions, a reverse order from the norm would be followed – those against, those abstaining and will do the math from the total present for those in favour.

2. Agenda Approval:

A motion to approve the Agenda carried.

3. 2019 NECA AGM Minutes Approval:

A motion to approve the Minutes for the NECA 2018 AGM carried.

4. Councillor’s Report:

President Cindy Parkanyi introduced Councillor Rawlson King and invited him to say a few words.

5. Approval of Financial Statements:

It was noted that a review and revision of the 2018-19 financial statements had been undertaken and we are asking for approval of both the 2019-20 statements and the revised 2018-19 statements

A motion to approve the both sets of NECA financial statements carried.

6. Strategic Priorities:

Cindy Parkanyi noted that the strategic priorities for the next year have been updated and then opened the floor for any other ideas, comments that members might have, understanding that achieving outcomes is highly dependent on the number of volunteers we have for the various files. The strategic priorities are:

- Promoting responsible development of the Beechwood corridor

- Improving traffic and safety
- Protecting while promoting responsible development
- Fostering community engagement
- Promoting awareness of climate change and environment sustainability
- Pursuing a vision for the park.

7. The B.R.I.C.K. Award:

NECA announced that there are two BRICK awards this year. The 2020 “Community Builder” award was given to Isobel Bisby for her tireless dedication to the community and the many community organizations.

The award for excellence in restoration was given to Toby Greenbaum and Joel Rotstein, for their commitment to respecting the heritage aspects during the replacement of their front porch at 16 Rideau T

8. Committee Reports:

President Cindy Parkanyi said that most of the NECA Committee Reports are available on the website. She then invited each Committee Chairperson to give a very brief report to the meeting participants.

- New Edinburgh News.
- Heritage & Development.
- Traffic and Safety.
- Beechwood Development.
- Park Vision.
- Environment Committee

9. NECA Board Election:

Cindy Parkanyi explained the terms for this election: There are four members of the Board who stay on this year as a continuation of their two-year term. Three other Board members hold positions in an ‘Ex-Officio’ capacity – Christina Leadlay Editor of NEN, Sean Flynn, President of Nectar and Sylvain Belanger as President of the 3Cs. Cindy also thanked three board members who are stepping down for their dedication and hard work over the past number of years – Roslyn Butler, Natasha Capon and Dave Arnold.

Of the members whose terms are up two have agreed to run again. They are Ari Abonyi and Cindy Parkanyi. Katherine Hall, and Tamara Sorger, who joined the NECA board during 2019-20 are also standing for election. Alison Fabian, Sarah Anson-Cartwright and Ray Boomgaardt have all agreed to stand for election to the Board. Cindy then asked the audience if anyone would also like to step forward to sit on the Board. There were no other candidates.

A motion to approve the full slate of candidates carried.

The NECA Board for 2020-21 now consists of: Cindy Parkanyi, Ari Abonyi, Sarah Anson-Cartwright, Ray Boomgaardt, Ted Bennett, Marc Dorgeville, Alison Fabian, Sean Flynn, Katherine Hall, Christina Leadlay, Heather Matthews, Gail McEachern, Tamara Sorger and Sylvain Belanger.

NECA AGM meeting Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn carried.