



**GREELY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
JUNE 14, 2017**

1. The meeting was opened by the President.

2. President's Report

The President gave a summary report on GCA activities and events in the past year, which will be posted on the web-site. Canada Day and Winter Carnival are the main activities, along with providing opinions and input on planning and development, recreation (such as the Greely Community Park) transportation and road issues, including lights at Manotick Station and Mitch Owens.

Canada Day was a good success again and fireworks got off despite intermittent rain. For the Canada 150th Anniversary, we will be spending \$20,000, which will give us more of the fancier fireworks. The Greely Winter Carnival was also a success and well-attended.

Communications have been improved with the web-site, twitter and Facebook.

3. Treasurer's Report

At the end of our last fiscal year the balance was approximately \$20,300. The Treasurer gave an update on expenditures and income, including that the expenses totaled approximately \$31,600 last fiscal year, which included last year's Canada Day fireworks and activities, Winter Carnival, signage, postal box, and the WC mail-out to residents.

From Sept. 1, 2016 to May 30, 2017, in total we had about \$23,000 and spent about \$16,000, including Winter Carnival 2017. The bank account is up by about \$7,000 this year so far.

The financial reports are available to members if they wish to see a copy.

4. Elections

Chris Leblanc has decided to not stand for re-election for the next term. The President thanked Chris and her husband, Mike, for their contributions to the GCA.

The Executive were voted in for the term effective September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018, as follows:

President	Adam Sooley
Vice-President	Andrea Ghent
Treasurer	Lee Warrysh
Secretary	Vacant

The Past-President will be Bruce Brayman.

5. Constitution Changes

The following changes to the GCA Constitution were put forward and approved:

- 7 voting members are required to pass votes;
- President's term will be a two-year term maximum; and
- unbudgeted expenditures can be approved by the Executive up to and including \$1,000.

6. Councillor George Darouze - Update

Mr. Darouze thanked Bruce for his seven years volunteering with the GCA. He also thanked Chris and her husband, Mike, for volunteering over the years. Councillor Darouze thanked the new Executive and looks forward to working with them in the coming year. Some highlights from Councillor Darouze's update are as follows:

- The new Greely Community Park was recently officially opened, and a couple of Greely parks will be redesigned this year, including Greely West.
- The City pilot project with reverse plowing this year was a success in Osgoode Village. Greely will be receiving this service next winter, which means improved plowing earlier.
- More paramedics will be deployed and servicing our community as of June 29th.
- Manotick Station and Mitch Owens light will be completed this year, and work has already started on this intersection.
- Apple Orchard and Parkway realignment will also be done this year.
- Two areas of Mitch Owens, west of Downey and east of Albion Road, are scheduled to be patched. Underground work will be also done on Mitch Owens in advance of the expected paving next year from Manotick Station to River Road, with the rest to be done in 2019.
- Stagecoach from Mitch Owens to Snake Island is expected to be paved next year.

7. Canada Day – Update

\$20,000 will be spent on fancier fireworks this year. There will be free bouncy castles, trolley rides, pony rides, games, firemen demonstration, and live music on the main stage at 6:00 p.m.

There will be a charge for popcorn, freezies and cotton candy. Councillor Darouze will be providing a free BBQ from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

There will be a beer tent provided by Perth Brewery, and there will be live music in the beer area (note: no children allowed in beer tent). The new start time for this year is 2:00 p.m.

8. Greely Loop Pathway - Update

Kris Van der Pas-Noremus reported that the 10 kilometer loop around Greely is nearing completion. Almost all of the twenty Greely neighbourhoods will be linked by the Loop when it is completed. The south phase is expected to be finished for Canada Day. Linkage for the north end is on private property and they are working with the owner and the City to finalize this part this summer. There is already signage up and there will be an online map once the Loop is officially opened.

9. South National Conservation Authority (SNCA)

Brent Harbers, Water Stewardship, and Michelle Cavanaugh, Team Lead, gave a presentation on the Shield's Creek Naturalization project. This project involves increasing forest cover and shrubs along the creek to decrease erosion and provide shade to reduce water temperatures and protect wildlife and fish habitat. There will also be some maintenance on the bridge.

SNCA are looking for community engagement, volunteers for tree planting, etc. SNCA would also be interested in working with Greely Loop with regard to shade, etc. along the pathway.

10. Other Business

Odyssey Theatre will be putting on a performance about trees and shrubs in the Greely area on June 17, Aug. 12, Sept. 6 and 9, at 11:00 a.m. in the Greely Library.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 13, 2017, 7:00 p.m., Greely Community Centre

Chris Leblanc
Secretary