

139th Report of the
ELDON HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting held virtually on Thursday September 26, 2024 commencing at 4:36 pm

Present: J. O'Neil, T. Wittmann, B. McClure, M. Donachie, L. Henderson

Regrets: M. Halliday

Absent: D. Luthra

Board Meeting

1. Approval of the Agenda

HENDERSON and DONACHIE

That the agenda **BE APPROVED**

CARRIED

2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

3. Approval of 138th Report of the Eldon House Board of Directors

MCCLURE and DONACHIE

That the 138th Report of the Eldon House Board **BE APPROVED**

CARRIED

4. J. O'Neil – Acting Chair's Remarks

- Suggestion to M. Halliday to follow-up with letter to City Clerks office
- 2 stage plan:
 - o Follow up with letter – M. Halliday
 - o Follow up with personal communication with Councilor – J. O'Neil

5. T. Wittmann - Overview of Staff and Finance Reports

- 3389 visitors on the grounds and in programs over the past 2 months – 700 at Doors Open
- Positive impact of summer students
- J. O'Neil – how is the pain testing coming?
 - o T. Wittmann – 3 types and 3 tones applied as test strips – will be observed until Spring
 - o Re-paiting is highest priority from a conservation point of view and needed ASAP
- Incidents with unwanted visitors
 - o J. O'Neil – perhaps some natural barriers ie. Foliage? – some going to be planted in October
 - o L. Henderson – does and increase in programming assist with fewer incidents?
 - T. Wittmann – No, new fencing has helped, neighbours helpful in placing calls, downtown construction and construction in Harris Park mean fewer encampments and fewer people cutting through the grounds

DONACHIE and MCCLURE

That the Staff Reports **BE RECEIVED**

CARRIED

6. M. Halliday – **Update re: City Clerk Letter**

- Deferred – see plan in Chair’s report

7. **Committee Reports**

- T. Wittmann – Strategic Plan has been on hold due to Board Changes which impact the committee membership – M. Spencer Golovchenko revitalizing the committee and working on SWOT/Mission/Vision plans – survey planned and will come to the Board soon

NEW BUSINESS

- Information shared regarding the markets – good model – Sunset Market is October 19
- Discussion re: meeting dates/formats – email from J. O’Neil will follow for input
- Dec. 11 (holiday meeting) confirmed to be in person

ADJOURNMENT

5:00 pm

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday October 16, 2024