

**READ Rosemount  
Meeting #32  
Final Minutes  
Tuesday, Sept 7th, 2017  
Time: 7 - 9 pm**

**Location:** Plant Recreation Centre, Booth Room

**Present:** Josh Nutt (Chair), Emily Addison, Bonnie Campbell, Barb Clubb, Deirdrie Foucauld, Larry Hudon, Carol Lethbridge, Fiona Mitchell- Gougeon (Assistant to Councillor Jeff Leiper) Marty Plaine, Richard Van Loon

**Regrets:** Linda Hoad, Blaine Marchand, Lindsay Setzer, Paulette Dozois

1. **Welcome:** Josh welcomed the group and thanked Deirdre for booking the room once again.
2. **Agenda:** The agenda was approved as circulated. Announcements were added at end of meeting.
3. **Minutes Approval:** The minutes of August 15 were adopted with one typo change and an addition.  
Moved: Hudon/Lethbridge **Carried**

**4. Update from Chair and Vice Chairs.**

**OPL Board Meeting:** Chair Nutt reported that he attended the most recent OPL Board meeting, which had been short, before an in camera session was called for an HR matter. Chair Nutt had a brief talk with Sr Manager Monique Désomeaux but no additional information about the business case was forthcoming. Tim Tierney talked about his visit to the new branch of the Vaughan Public Library which is winning awards (very large branch @36K S, not a main library). It was announced that October will be library month. OPL is currently running an operating deficit this quarter for a number of reasons (temporary closure of the main library garage for repairs and related low meeting room bookings).

**Telemeeting with Councillor Leiper:** Chair Nutt and VC Addison met with the councillor by phone. Emily reported on the HCA resolution to support adding a new Rosemount onto the HCC. The difficulty of funding renewal for the urban core was noted. Funding available under Section 37 was noted (possibly \$360K-\$370K). Councillor Leiper's position remains the same: he will not contest the consultant's findings as long as he believes the report is sound.

**Preparing for 2018 Budget:** The group agreed that a formal note to HCC should be prepared or possibly a presentation. Rosemount should be part of the OPL 2018 budget but it is too late for a very large sum to be requested. B. Campbell suggested that READ should approach other groups for support. (e.g. the Coalition for Community Health). The group agreed on the points to be included in presentations to the OPL Board 1. Increased taxation in the Kitchissippi ward due to property re-evaluation 2. Examples of urban library redevelopment (eg. Winnipeg, Edmonton, Toronto)3. Difference between the capacity of RO and other similar OPL branches (e.g. SF, # public computers, chairs, meeting rooms etc). 4. The RO building coming up to 100 years old with so little done to it).  
**Action: F. Mitchell** to follow-up on what options READ will have to participate in the 2018 Budget consultations.

**Meeting with OPL Chair Tierney:** Chair Nutt reported that he had not yet been able to secure a meeting with Mr Tierney. It was suggested that he drop in to the Councillor's office.

**New Central Library:** There is no news about the central library. They are behind their published schedule and it may not be brought forward until the end of the year.

## 5. READ Strategic Planning

a) **Branch Location Updates:** VC Addison reported that she had send information on the HCA resolution to Monique Désormeaux but had not received a response. VC Addison also reported on the measurement soft h bback of the HCC site.

b) **Attendance at future board meetings.** J. Nutt, L. Hudon and C. Lethbridge are planning to attend. However if the RO business case is presented READ should have as many supporters out as possible

c) **READ Presentation to OPL Board:** It is anticipated that the RO business case will be presented at the next board meeting Oct 10 (day after Thanksgiving). The documentation will likely not be available until shortly before the meeting. Therefore READ needs to be ready to do a fast intensive review and be prepared to make a presentation either supporting a new facility or raising major concerns if the Board decision and recommendation is any less than that.

**Action:** Chair Nutt to prepare a communiqué to READ supporters advising about the upcoming business case presentation at the OPL Board meeting and urging attendance at the OPL board meeting.

**Action:** B. Clubb and E. Addison to review the stats for inclusion in the presentation. (See item 6)

**Action:** Prepare presentation for OPL Board Meeting Oct 10. Chair Nutt et al.

It was noted that OPL rents 22% of its facilities. F. Mitchell advised that she was still trying to obtain the lease costs. VC Addison noted that she would check on the cost of the Armstrong lease.

R. Van Loon stressed that we need a strong media strategy including a media release (prior to board meeting following our analysis), backgrounder and Qs an As, and identification of the consequences of not proceeding with a new build. Also use READ's website, FB page and Twitter account.

**Action:** Chair Nutt to contact Jeanette Rule and Blaine Marchand so they can work with him to prepare the media and social media strategy. It will be important to have media at the event.

**Action:** Chair Nutt to query CEO when the report and staff recommendations will be available and when READ can make a presentation.

**Action:** advise Trustee/Councillor McKenney of our strategy.

**Action:** R. Van Loon will contact CBC.

## 6. Advocacy, Outreach and Research

a) OPL 2015 Statistics: revised detailed branch statistics were handed out; final overview of companion system-wide information is due from Monique Désormeaux when she returns from holidays at the end of September. That will complete the statistics package. It was suggested that the [Ottawa Neighbourhood Study](#) (U of O) be consulted for addition information.

**Action:** Prepare a narrative handout based on the statistics that highlight key facts and tell a story especially as they related to RO. Addison/Clubb

b) Rosemount 100 (Nov 2018): agreed that any celebration should focus on the service not the building. In the meantime the following actions will be taken:

**Action:** Contact CEO Danielle McDonald to determine if anything is being planned. Agreed that this should take place no earlier than November. Marty Plaine

**Action:** Chair to request B. Marchand to consider an article for KT/NewsWest for some time during the year. It could focus on inadequacies and service.

c) Media, Website and Social Media: no report

**7. Financials.** No report.

**8. Future Meetings.**

The next READ meeting will be held **Monday, October 16** at the Hintonburg CC (Burnside Room)

Meetings for remainder of year are scheduled for:

**Monday, November 13** At Plant RC

**Monday, Dec 11.** Location to be determined.

**Note:** the dates are subject to change due to OPL board meetings, the Library/City Budget debates and the timing of the presentation of the OPL RO business case.

Attached: Rolling Action List as of Sept 7, 2017

## READ Rosemount Rolling action plan as of Sept 7, 2017

Agenda #	Topic	Action	Status
<b>September 2017</b>			
#4	Budget Consult	F. Mitchell to follow-up on options that READ will have to provide input into budget consultations: presentations and/or written	Done
#5c	OPL Bd Mtg	J. Nutt to prepare communiqué re Oct board meeting to send to READ supporters	Done
#5c	OPL Bd Mtg	E. Addison and B. Clubb to create stats sheet to accompany the READ media release re the RO business case report	Done
#5c	OPL Bd Mtg	J. Nutt et al to prepare/coordinate presentations to OPL Oct Board meeting	Done
#6a	RO 100	M. Plaine to contact OPL CEO Danielle McDonald to determine status of OPL celebration plans	
#6b	RO 100	J. Nutt to request B. Marchand to consider an RO in-depth article on inadequacies and service	
<b>August 2017</b>			
#5	T. Tierney	Josh to drop into his office.	
#5	J. Leiper	Fiona to check Councillor's schedule re mtg with READ Chair	
#5	Strategy	Josh to develop additional strategies including speaking with J. Leiper re section 37 funding for RO.	
#5	HCC	Josh to communicate HCC board decision re RO expansion on its property	
#6	RO Bus Case	Revised version to be sent out.	Done
#5	OPL Bd Mtg	Josh and Emily to encourage as many attendees to OPL Board meeting where RO business case is presented	Done
#5	RO Bus Case	Josh to communicate with M. Désormeaux re timing	Done
#5	Winnipeg PL	BC to finalize report on WPL facilities renewal program	Done
#5	Rolling Action Plan	JN and BC to review and revise	Done
#6a	Statistics	DF/BC to finalize for distribution and posting	
<b>July 2017</b>			
#5	OPL relations	Josh to ask to meet with OPL board chair re management and decision re Rosemount	
#5	OPL Mtg	Josh and EA to arrange for large contingent of READ to attend the Sept and Oct/Nov OPL Bd mtgs	
<b>June 2017</b>			
#5	Business case	JN and EA to get confirmation on catchment area boundaries.	
#5	Business case	JN to clarify when the final board decision on Rosemount will be made.	
#5	Business	JN and executive to prepare for possible presentation to OPL Ot/Nv Board meeting.	
#7	Stats	DF/BC to prepare report for coordinating committee	
#7	Website	Barb, Josh and Jeanette Rule to meet.	
<b>March 2017</b>			
5a	Stats	BC to request Ont Library Bds Association for more information on their data project	
<b>February 2017</b>			
5.d	Lib touring	Barb and Emily to continue planning	
<b>January 2017</b>			
8	Fundraising	RVL/JN to ask OPL re fundraising for Rosemount	
<b>December 2016</b>			

<u>5</u>	Budget follow-up	RVL or representative to send letter to Councillor Leiper re the tender documents for the RFP for business case	
5	Budget follow-up	B. Clubb to contact the Ottawa Community Foundation and OPL Friends re setting up a fund for Rosemount	
November 2016			
October 2016			
5.b	Endorsement	Action: Linda will raise the subject with the Westboro CA.	
5.g	Island Park	Action: L Hoad will follow up on questions and endorsement	
6.c	Data Analysis	Action: Data group and EA and DF will work on data analysis.	Done