
Minutes of the Special Meeting
December 16, 2009
2:00- 4:00pm



PRESENT: Paul Armstrong, County Councilor Brian Bartlett, John Bennett, Gayl Hutchison, John Martyn

STAFF: Cheryl Lyon, Linda Mitchelson

REGRETS: Rosemary O'Donnell, Linda Saunders

GUESTS: Roy Brady, Joe Meisenheimer, Sarah Tate, City Councilor Eric Martin, Albert Merrick, Dorothy Boddy, Brenda Dales

1. WELCOME ~ John Bennett, Chair
Attendees introduced themselves

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was the single item to discuss the Our Space Community Centre location.

3. Discussion:

Brenda Dales opened the discussions by announcing that they were in negotiations with the Orange Hall on George Street as a possible location for Our Space. Linda Mitchelson briefed the group on the situation with the Brock Mission. A wide discussion ensued respecting the needs and services available for the most difficult-to-house clients. It was noted that there are no facilities in the city willing to take clients overnight who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol (minimum barrier shelter).

It was determined with the help of staff that there are likely no impediments to the use of the Orange Hall from a zoning standpoint (as long as appropriate applications are made).

Motion: Whereas AHAC has the highest regard for the excellent services provided by Social Services, the Peterborough Social Planning Council, and the many street workers who are performing outstanding services with Our Space and its clients, AHAC resolves to support the work of PSPC and its partners to help Our Space Community Centre to find and open a new location."

Moved: John Martyn
Seconded: Brian Bartlett
CARRIED

Motion to adjourn: Brian Bartlett.