# Oakville Ward 1 All Candidates' Meeting

Tuesday October 7, 2014

Presented by:

Bronte Village Residents Association (BVRA)

Association of Oakville Harbours' Stakeholders (AOHS)

Bronte Harbour Yacht Club (BHYC)







### **Opening Statements**

- Gary Carr
- Syed Ali Naqvi
- Greg Woodruff
- Rob Burton
- Gordon Brennan
- Mary Kennedy
- > John McLaughlin
- Alan Johnston
- Linda Oliver
- Sean O'Meara
- Ralph Robinson
- Stephen Maloney

#### Regional Chair

How do you plan to ensure Halton's readiness for natural and industrial disasters, severe weather events and infrastructure failure after recent events such as the ice storm and flooding within the region?

#### Regional Chair

➤ Harbours are an integral part of Halton Region and the communities that comprise it. Going forward, what is your vision for the harbours and their use, including our own Bronte Harbour?

#### Mayor

➤ The Livable Oakville Plan, 10 year capital budget and Vision 2057 have specific inclusions for Community Improvement for Kerr Village, Midtown Strategy, Downtown Plan and New Communities of Oakville Implementation. In the 10 year budget, 58% is allocated to the EAB (emerald ash borer) program amounting to \$32 million. While a worthy endeavor, how is it justified to spend this amount of tax payer dollars while development and rejuvenation of Bronte does not appear in any official plan or a priority at town hall?

#### Mayor

➤ Who do you feel benefits from the harbours – and who do you believe should bear the cost of harbours operations?

#### Town & Regional Councillors

➤ Bronte Road and Rebecca Street are clogged during rush hour traffic and pedestrian safety is compromised with speeding and negligent drivers along Lakeshore Road West. How do you plan to address these issues and ensure the Wyecroft Bridge is included in the 10 year capital budget?

#### Town & Regional Councillors

Initiatives to address harbours related operational issues, such as sediment management and dredging of the harbours to allow their effective use, and also initiatives to further develop the harbours, often involve multiple jurisdictions and agencies, and often competing agendas. What do you believe you can do to remedy this situation and to facilitate moving any such initiative forward?

#### **Town Councillors**

➤ Quality retail is sorely lacking in Bronte and the Bronte Village Mall is a disgrace and eyesore. What could be an attractive and lucrative hub is instead a disincentive for prospective investors and residents. How do you plan to definitively resolve this issue brought on by two feuding landowners?

#### **Town Councillors**

Do you support growth of Bronte's harbour and development of our waterfront resources? If so, what opportunities do you see, and how do you feel you can help bring these about?

#### Questions from the floor/website

Open mic period

## **Closing Statements**

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- Ralph Robinson
- Sean O'Meara
- Linda Oliver
- Alan Johnston
- > John McLaughlin
- Mary Kennedy
- Gordon Brennan
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- Greg Woodruff
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- Gary Carr

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# Adjourn

Thank you and Good Night

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