

The Kingscross Ratepayers Association held its AGM and general meeting on June 8, 2022 and we are pleased to provide a summary of the activities of the board and the information that was shared with those members who attended.

A 30-day notice was sent out to the membership as required. During the AGM the minutes of the last AGM were approved as was our 2021 year-end financial statement. We welcomed a new board member on board – Bryan Jaskolka.

Thank you Bryan for volunteering to help out!

- During the general meeting the board thanked all those who helped during the annual April neighbourhood roadside cleanup.



- An update was given on the efforts by KRA to get King Township and TRCA to address the flooding during the past 5 winters on properties near the intersection of Manitou and Kingscross. There is a plan now in place that includes measures to remove the woody debris blocking the flow of water, to clean out the culverts and to create GPS mapping to determine the best route for the stream to be able to get it off residents' property where it

has moved onto during the past 5 years. And then the TRCA's crew will re-route the stream to a better location. And finally, TRCA will remove the accumulated silt at the south end of the wetlands around the King City wellhead to allow the stream to move into the

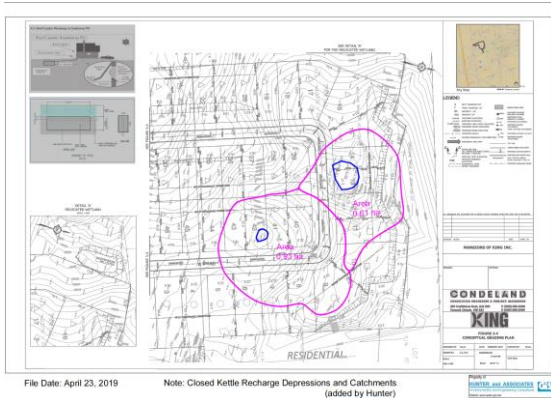
East Humber River more easily. We are hopeful that this will alleviate the flooding although we realize that the root problem is as a result of the new development north of Kingscross.

- Finally, an overview was provided of the accomplishments of KRA regarding the very lengthy and costly Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) hearings of which KRA was a "party" to. The plans include building 57 houses, a condominium tower, large stormwater and a sewage pumping station beside the East Humber River and the number homes on the east side with access from Jane Street is yet to be determined. As a result of KRA's efforts, **the Manitou easement will not be opened up** to allow traffic to move through Kingscross to either Jane St. or King Road. Instead, a fire truck only block pavers path will be installed with large bollards that fire trucks only will be able to knock down in an emergency.

There are over 100 Conditions which both developers must meet before final site plan approvals can be given. Many were a result of KRA's experts' submissions. The two most important are;

1. that on the north end of the housing development no houses can be built where there is a deep depression in the land that results in a wetland habitat for frogs, toads and salamanders. It also provides over 4,000 Cu

Meters of groundwater recharge that likely benefits Kingscross wells.



2. There are very strong protections in place for private wells including but not limited to wells within 500 meters of either development which includes providing temporary water supplies in case a private well is impacted in quality or quantity and if the problem cannot be solved funding for drilling a new well or covering the costs of connecting the Kingscross resident's property to municipal water supply.

KRA has now paid off almost all the legal and expert fees due to this extensive and lengthy OLT hearing process. Now we want to get back to a post COVID neighbours fun social event again at Pine Farms. We are planning that for in early September and are looking for donations of items for a silent and live auction. Please get in touch via email if you want more information or to donate to info@kera.ca

Here are volunteer opportunities to help out in our neighbourhood:

- For our Pine Farms event in early September we need some volunteers to help with the organization, setup and collecting donations.
- We want to set up a committee to look into what can be done about the poor condition of the roads in Kingscross. This will involve working with Township staff and our local Councillor Debbie Schaefer.
- Help with monitoring Township agendas and meetings.

If you think you could help out or know a neighbour who could help please send an email to info@kera.ca

And if you would like to make a donation please drop off a cheque at any of the KRA's directors' homes or donate on line through our PayPal account found here at kera.ca

Finally we would like to thank our neighbour Robert Angeloni for his terrific help getting us to a much better place with communications. He is our Mr. Rogers neighbour who saw a job that he could help with and just stepped up to volunteer.

Thank you Robert!

**Have a great summer!
 See you in September!**