

# Minutes of Meeting

## Riverview Park Community Association

Wednesday, February 11, 2009  
Dempsey Community Centre (7-9 p.m.)

**Present:** Orrin Clayton, Chris Mark, Kris Nanda, Janina Nickus, Brant Scott, Sue Vye, Cheryl Khoury, Adnan Abidi, Sami Rehman and Karin Keyes Endemann (Total 10)

**Absent:** (Total 0)

**Email of newest board members:** Karin Keyes Endemann – [Karin.endemann@NRC-CNRC.gc.ca](mailto:Karin.endemann@NRC-CNRC.gc.ca) (613) 521-7551

### Executive Meeting

1. Brant Scott called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and we introduced ourselves. We have one new board member joining us – Karin Keyes Endemann, previously was editor of Riverviews (voted on/approved at the meeting).
2. Approved agenda; moved by Chris, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sue
3. Approved previous minutes re Jan. 14/09 meeting; moved by Orrin, seconded by Cheryl.
4. Update re: membership enhancement strategy & survey- Theresa Landrigan (Algonquin student) had provided an update on this to Brant via Email advising they will start the survey mid/end of February. They will change their target number of residences- approximately 4,500 – 5,000 residents in the area, including those in apartment buildings

**Action Item: Brant to request a copy of the survey**

### 5. Committee reports

- (i) Planning & Development – Kris advised on following issues that were discussed at the Alta Vista Planning Group (AVPG) meeting that Councillor Peter Hume hosted in January:
- (A)- addition of parking garage at 501 Smyth (Ottawa Hospital complex)
  - (B) - public open house will be held soon to discuss the City's official plan- will include a change re the Alta Vista Transit Corridor, moving status from conceptual to proposed
  - (C)- proposed Tremblay Road development – about 30 acres at St. Laurent/Queensway (Federal Government may have bid on the site)

Other issues of interest:

- 100 Roger Guindon Ave. site- 12-storey residential tower planned
- 340 Industrial Claridge apartments to be built- development is on hold
- Cancer Survivor Park – no news on site upgrade proposals
- discussed an email request we received from another community association to support a proposed pedestrian bridge across the Canal (between Glebe and Ottawa East). Kris will invite a representative from the group to address the next Planning and Development Committee Meeting
- Kris didn't attend the Community Association Forum On Environmental Sustainability (CAFES) held on Jan/31/09 at Hintonburg CA but he has information from the forum that he will forward to us
- we have written a letter to the City's Pedestrian Committee requesting more sidewalks/pedestrian access into the OTY (via Industrial, Sandford Fleming streets)

- (ii) Parks, Recreation and Environment – Chris advised we had good turnout at the Balena Rink skating party held on Feb. 1. We received \$53.76 in donations. Discussion re spending money on the bales of hay used for seats at the event (Is this a good use of our money?)
- Chris moved that the Fall Social event be held Sunday September 27, 2009, at Boofs Restaurant; motion passed.

(iii) Communications Committee – The paper is on hold/hiatus. Suggestion to approach the Journalism Faculty at Carleton University for staff/volunteers; we'd pay them an honorarium. Suggestion to tag along with EMC publication and include some of our community events in that paper. With the slowing economy, less small business may advertise in a paper. We discussed the alternative of using our website in lieu of our paper. Kris mentioned that Carole Moulton had told him there was a group looking into the possibility of starting up another local paper in light of Riverviews hiatus. Not much detail on the proposed paper available at this point.

**Action Items-** (1) Orrin & Karin will develop a proposal for our revamped website- may possibly get professional assistance. (2) Sue and Adnan will send letters to the Riverviews advertisers to advise of stoppage of our paper and will (re) invoice ads that have not been paid for.

(iv) Treasurer- the following cheques (pre-approved expenses) were issued re Balena Rink/Skating Party:

- #091- cheque for \$130.54 to Kim Fisher refreshments/supplies, including 1<sup>st</sup> aid kit for Balena Rink
- #092- cheque for \$50.00 to Boy Scouts (re honorarium re fire)
- #093- cheque for 168.75 to Chris Mark for refreshments/supplies
- \$7.68 taken from petty cash

To date, we have a balance of \$18,642.49 in our account, which includes the following City grant rink cheques:

- 1 cheque for \$925.00 - 1st instalment re Balena Rink
- 1 cheque for \$275.00 - 1st instalment re Dale Park rink
- 1 cheque for \$2,400.00 - 2nd instalment for Dale (\$550) and Balena (\$1,850)

Adnan does not have signing authority at BMO (at Smyth/Russell). Although he went there to add his name, the bank would not let him do so, without the other CA members who already have signing authority re cheques being there. We will defer looking into the option of switching to another bank that can offer better services/ hours. Adnan moved to accept his **verbal** treasurer's report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris. In future, he will prepare written reports/statements.

7. **New Business:** Sami advised us of 2 recent City announcements; one re City community environmental (water) project grant and the City's Civic Appreciation Award nominations.

Janina & Kris will sell memberships at upcoming Neighbourhood Watch meeting (Feb. 17)

Orrin will prepare a Volunteer Extraordinaire Award for Paul Walsh- Riverviews distributor.

Note: Montessori School (on Drake) would like to be involved in some community events- perhaps park clean-ups, etc. Contact the director/principal there- Ms. Pat Gere (613) 521-5185.

8. **Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Moved by Orrin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kris.

**Next regular board meeting - Wednesday, March 11, 2009 (7 p.m. at Dempsey)**

*Minutes prepared by Janina Nickus*  
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