



**MINUTES OF THE  
DELEGATES' MEETING  
May 27, 2009  
OWN CO-OP, 115 The Esplanade**

**Executive Members in Attendance:**

President: Suzanne Kavanagh, St. Lawrence on the Park  
 Treasurer: Bruno Leps, Market Square  
 VP External: Lumumba Wolde-Gabriel, 140 The Esplanade  
 Secretary: Matthew Raizenne, Longboat Residents Assoc  
 VP Internal: Jacquie Williams, Old York Tower  
 At Large: Dan O'Leary, 15 Scadding  
 At Large: Wallace Simpson, Crombie Park  
 At Large: Ronny Yaron, Woodsworth Co-op

**Executive Member Regrets:**

None

**Voting Delegates in Attendance:**

Catherine Limberti - 1 Church St.  
 Catherine West - 1 Church St.  
 Maureen Walsh – 15 Scadding  
 Bob Parkin – 71 Front St.  
 Patricia Bearclaw - Cathedral Court Coop  
 Loretta Allen – Cathedral Court Coop  
 Margaret McQuade - David B. Archer  
 Cherril Baker - David B. Archer  
 Lois Thomson - David B. Archer  
 Joan Campbell - 80 Front Street E.  
 Valerie Joseph – Muriel Collins Coop

Elizabeth Ecker – St. Lawrence on the Park  
 Dennis Glasgow – The Wellington  
 Marc Piccinato – Windmill Line Coop  
 Connie Yang - OWN  
 Allan Seymour - Old York Tower

**Regrets:**

Terry Eitel - Old York Tower  
 Karl Froehr - Windmill Line  
 Ian Campbell - Woodsworth Coop  
 David Crawford – New Town of York

**Associate Members & Guests:**

Jorge Carvalho – St. Lawrence Market  
 Katie Parkin – 25 The Esplanade  
 Luciano Ciarleglio – 1 Church St.

Ruth Williams – 1 Church St.  
 Stig Harvor – Old York Tower  
 Tom Davidson, Pam McConnell's Office

**Darek Fiedukiewicz, Recording Secretary**

**1. REGISTRATION**

**2. OPENING OF MEETING**

**2.1 Opening Remarks**

Suzanne Kavanagh (President) stated that she would be chairing the meeting. She called the session to order at 7:00 P.M.

## 2.2 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved with the following additions:

- SLNA Invoicing
- Announcement from Pam McConnell's Office
- Sign-up Sheet and Notices
- Community Garden
- Adopt-a-Block

S. Kavanagh noted that the Development Committee report and the Busker Fest topic would be deferred until the next meeting as both M. Little and B. Taylor were not able to attend the meeting.

## 2.3 Approval of Minutes

The delegates reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on April 29, 2009.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Delegates' meeting held on April 29, 2009 as distributed. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOVED BY: A. Seymour

SECONDED BY: C. Baker

## 3. TORONTO WATERFRONT MARATHON (Dennis Glasgow)

D. Glasgow introduced himself as well as A. Brookes (Director of the Toronto Waterfront Marathon), and marathon participants Darek Kocan and Chung-ye Loo He stated that the event was scheduled to take place on September 27<sup>th</sup> and there would be a number of runners from the SLNA neighbourhood participating in both the half and full marathons.

The path has been altered to make it a more urban run through the Beach, Eastern Avenue and St. Lawrence. A cheering section is being organized to support local runners and will be located at Berczy Park. ScotiaBank waterfront branch will also support the event.

A. Brookes stated that the run is an international class event and it will have a huge economic impact on the city which is estimated at \$20,000,000. Last year's event drew over 15,000 participants and 18,000 are expected from around the world in 2009. More information can be obtained via its website at [www.torontowaterfrontmarathon.com](http://www.torontowaterfrontmarathon.com).

It is also a community/neighbourhood event which has helped raise \$1,420,000 for approximately sixty-four local charities who leverage the festivities for their fund-raising. Seventy-eight charities have already signed up and there are also 2,000 volunteers to assist.

Q. A delegate questioned whether a mentoring program was available for young runners.

A. A. Brookes stated that the 'Marathon Kids' program was established and nineteen schools participated in the previous year. The children run daily after Labour Day and record their achievements on a progress sheet. They target thirty-seven kilometres by the end of September and then participate in a 5km run with a number of other schools. They are also given t-shirts and medals are awarded.

A. Brookes stated that he would make large and small posters available through D. Glasgow. These promote participation and also invite spectators to cheer on the runners.

The medals for 2009 will also feature the St. Lawrence Market building.

Q. D. O'Leary asked the age of the oldest and youngest runners in last year's event.

A. A. Brookes stated that participants are required to be at least 18 years of age to participate in the full marathon and 16 years of age to run in the half marathon. Small children may run in the 5km run. In 2003, one runner became the first man to complete the run in under three hours. This represents 7-minute miles! On the same day, a 92 year-old runner from London completed the run in 5 hours and 40 minutes and this remains a world record.

A. Brookes noted that many participants with disabilities also take part in the 5km category but joggers with baby-joggers or wheelchairs are not yet permitted.

S. Kavanagh stated that she would enter the half marathon. Either way she will sponsor Dennis, Derek, and Chung-Yee \$50 each towards a registered charity of their choice. She also called for a volunteer to chair a Cheering Committee for the SLNA neighbourhood Challenge. Anyone interested should advise the Executive Committee.

#### **4. CANADA DAY (Connie Yang)**

C. Yang introduced herself as the Canada Day event chair. She stated that the event is organized for all citizens so she encouraged all to join in the festivities.

C. Yang reported that she received a letter from the Toronto Parks and Recreation Department advising that \$6,909.87 had been set aside for appeals for funding to the City. They were recommending an allocation of \$4,590 for the SLNA pending approval of two motions – a resolution to comply with the City’s policy statement against discrimination and a resolution to submit the grant application.

On behalf of and with the authority of the SLNA, it was resolved to declare that the SLNA adopts and upholds the City of Toronto’s policy statement which prohibits discrimination and harassment and protects the right to be free of that activity, based on age, ancestry, citizenship, creed (religion), colour, disability, ethnic origin, family status, gender identity, level of literacy, marital status, place of origin, membership in a union or staff association, political affiliation, race, receipt of public assistance, record of offences, sex, sexual orientation or any other personal characteristics by or within the organization. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOVED BY: B. Leps  
SECONDED BY: C. Baker

R. Yaron clarified that the City’s statement permits all to participate but this does not equate to all signage/banners promoting various interest groups being permitted. Instead, the policy is geared toward individuals versus groups.

Next, it was resolved to approve the grant application. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOVED BY: A. Seymour  
SECONDED BY: C. Limberti

C. Yang thanked B. Leps for his assistance with the administrative paperwork as well as B. Kemp for coordinating the barbeque. She also thanked Councillor McConnell for her support of the event.

C. Yang noted that the Seniors Group planning board includes J. Williams as Chair and M. Comstock as Treasurer. Approximately fifty more volunteers are being sought for the committee. A meeting is set for May 28<sup>th</sup> between 4-6pm at OWN coop, 115 The Esplanade, and 25-30 individuals have already indicated interest. Additional volunteers can contact C. Yang directly at 416-368-2417. She noted that George Smitherman will also attend and provide refreshments. Volunteers are also required for the day of the event.

S. Kavanagh suggested that research be undertaken to identify a Guinness Book of Records achievement that could be broken at the event.

### **7. COMMUNITY POLICING UPDATE (Suzanne Kavanagh)**

S. Kavanagh stated that Keith Bricknell had been the SLNA representative to the CPLC. He has retired so the Executive is seeking a volunteer to replace him. The individual would be expected to provide regular reports back to the SLNA and play an advisory role to ensure the community's ideas and concerns are communicated.

D. O'Leary nominated L. Wolde-Gabriel who accepted the role. L. Allen volunteered to be his alternate. L. Wolde-Gabriel was acclaimed to the position.

### **8. OTHER BUSINESS – OPEN DISCUSSION**

#### **SLNA Invoicing – Bruno Leps**

B. Leps reported that a few invoices remain unpaid since January. He requested that delegate from the following buildings investigate the delay:

- Place St. Laurent
- MTCC1403 (311 Richmond St. East)
- New Hibret
- PAL Place
- TSCC 1487 (St. Lawrence Market Lofts)
- TSCC1625 (Space lofts)

#### **Announcements from Pam McConnell's Office – Tom Davidson**

T. Davidson stated that a past president of the SLNA contacted Pam McConnell's office to request more regular hazardous waste pick-up for multi-resident buildings. The City has now announced a pilot program and the SLNA was selected to participate.

Hazardous and electrical waste pick-up will take place on June 13<sup>th</sup> between 1-3pm followed by August 29<sup>th</sup> and November 7<sup>th</sup>. Two vehicles will be stationed at OWN and New Hibret. Information sheets and a map will be made available so they can be posted to the SLNA website and emailed to all the buildings.

A neighbourhood walkabout will also be organized by Pam McConnell's office to review development activity in the area. Participants will include Al Rezoski, Acting Planning Manager and Pam McConnell. This will be an opportunity for residents to learn the history and general context of various projects and ask questions they may have. The walk will take place on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm and will start at the Market Kitchen in the South Market (meeting at 5:30 p.m.). It will last for approximately 2 hours. The itinerary will be posted to the SLNA website.

A planning public meeting, regarding 5-7 The Esplanade, is scheduled for Monday June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm in the St. James Cathedral. The proposed development includes above ground parking as well as residential space above this.

#### **Sign-up Sheet and Notices**

D. O'Leary encouraged the delegates to take various brochures, such as the Community Garage Sale pamphlet, and post these in their buildings.

He stated that volunteers are also being sought for the Vegetables-In-The-Sky project planned for Saturday July 27<sup>th</sup>. Tickets for the event will cost \$20 and will be available at Starbucks and

Second Cup. It will be self-directed tour of seven rooftops and the money raised will go toward the Children's Garden program. The tour hours are 10-2 p.m.

### **Community Garden**

C. Limberti stated that a Community Garden Group was recently created to take-up the cause of maintaining the previously neglected common area behind the OWN Co-op. The City has supplied the soil/plants and the Toronto Housing has provided funds as well. They will also facilitate a community workshop on June 8<sup>th</sup> with the SLNA to discuss the vision for the area.

### **Adopt-A-Block**

R. Yaron encouraged more participation in the Adopt-a-Block program. Approximately eight individuals have volunteered thus far with good results. A list of unclaimed areas will be posted to the SLNA website. Volunteers may report various items requiring attention to the City such as waste on the side-walks and required repairs.

### **Retaining Wall - Lakeshore**

S. Kavanagh reported that a retaining wall was built on Lakeshore by the railway lands. Al Rezoski has indicated that an event could be planned for planting to cover up the retaining wall.

### **GO Transit Update**

M. Raizenne stated that a survey was sent to ninety-eight local residents regarding the north side of railway embankment. Fifty responses were received with majority supporting the removal of most of the existing vegetation/trees, cleaning up the embankment and fixing the curb, and installing a short one-metre retaining wall. A new planting of trees and shrubbery would then follow.

Work is expected to begin in August or September and be completed by the end of the year.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOVED BY: C. Baker

The next Delegates meeting will be held on June 24 at 7:00 pm.

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**Corporate Secretary**

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**President**



**LIST OF MOTIONS**  
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