



**MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
March 28, 2012
OWN CO-OP, 115 The Esplanade**

Executive Members in Attendance:

President: Suzanne Kavanagh, St. Lawrence on-the-Park
Secretary: Jacquie Williams, Old York Tower
Treasurer: John Wichelow, Windmill Line Co-op
VP External: Loretta Allen, Cathedral Court Co-op

Executive Member Regrets:

Debra Corey

Voting Delegates in Attendance:

Catherine Limbertie - 1 Church Street
Catherine West - 1 Church Street
Joan Campbell - 80 Front Street E.
David Crawford - 135 George Street
Wallace Simpson – Crombie Park
Keith Bricknell – 7 King Street East
Bob Parkin – 71 Front Street East
Judith Nagata – King George Square
Toby Tenenbaum – St. Lawrence on the Park
Dan O’Leary – 15 Scadding
Maureen Walsh – 15 Scadding
Dwight Peters – 25 The Esplanade
Del Brown – Marketview Housing Co-op
Duncan Ash – Old York Tower
James Loxley – PAL
Abdi Nur – Muriel Collins

Alan Seymour - Old York Tower
Alex Perrot, The Indigo, 50 Lombard
Dwight Peters – 25 The Esplanade
Carol Geddis - Woodsworth Co-op
Marie Copkov – 176 The Esplanade
Dennis Glasgow – The Wellington
Doug Maybank – Crombie Park
Ewa Jarmicka – Harmony Co-op Homes
Steve Lowden – London on the Esplanade
Caida Gill – London on the Esplanade
Maureen Browne – London on the Esplanade
Deborah Field – Longboat Residents Association

Regrets:

Lumumba Wolde-Gabriel – 140 The Esplanade
Ian Campbell – Woodsworth Co-op
Jazek Yanina - Woodsworth Co-op
Joyce Arnold – 135 George St. S.

Associate Members & Guests:

Norma Seymour – Old York Tower
Stig Harvor – Old York Tower

Melanie Buckle, Recording Secretary

Ruth Williams – 1 Church Street
Thoby Cameron – Glen Murray’s Office
Ronny Yaron - Woodsworth Co-op

1. REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

2. OPENING OF MEETING

2.1 Opening Remarks

Alan Seymour (Old York Tower) stated that he would be chairing the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. He stated that the President would be in attendance later in the evening due to a scheduling conflict.

Confirmed the agenda booklet was received by all Delegates.

2.2 Appointment of Recording Secretary for the AGM:

It was resolved to approve the appointment of Melanie Buckle as the Recording Secretary. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: Dan O'Leary
SECONDED BY: Joan Campbell

2.3 Approval of AGM Agenda

The Delegates reviewed the agenda for the meeting as circulated:

It was resolved to approve the agenda for the Delegates' meeting as circulated. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: David Crawford
SECONDED BY: Joan Campbell

2.4 Approval of 2011 AGM Minutes

The Delegates reviewed the minutes of the AGM meeting held on March 30, 2011.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Delegates' AGM meeting held on March 30, 2011 as circulated. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: David Crawford
SECONDED BY: Wallace Simpson

3.0 Committee Reports:

As outlined in the agenda, each ad hoc committee provided a brief report on the outcomes of the previous year and future events for the upcoming year.

- Community Environment Day – L. Allen
 - Next date Saturday May 5, 2012, 10am to 2pm
 - Same format as before
 - Information available on items for donation to schools and community groups
- Gardening Committee – D. O'Leary
 - Next date of Saturday May 5, 2012
 - Selling cedar trees
 - All monies to committee
 - Information table regarding children's garden
 - Orphan garden near St. Michael's School
- Canada Day – L. Allen
 - 2011 was a beautiful day for the event
 - Great team planning for this year
 - Event is on a Sunday this year from 11am to 3pm
 - Looking for volunteers
 - More information and details to follow
- West Don Lands – R. Sherrin
 - Mr. Sherrin was not present at the meeting
 - A. Seymour offered to answer any questions regarding the project
 - Confirmed walk about is to be scheduled
- St. Lawrence Recreation Centre Advisory Committee – D. Maybank
 - Many events ongoing

- September 22 of this year will be the 20th anniversary of the opening of the centre
- BIA Parks – D. Crawford
 - Successful bid for funding
 - Work with 8 - 80 cities
 - Similar public functions coming
 - Variety of options for Berczy Park
 - Initial funding for Berczy Park
 - Architect from Denmark offering designs
 - Agreement has been reached to extend the project to St. James Park
 - Outline expected by September or October of 2012
 - Development ongoing
- Old Town Toronto Network – J. Williams & A. Seymour
 - Quarterly gathering
 - Name changed to South East Downtown Network Alliance
 - A. Seymour stated there has been some confusion regarding name
 - Is all inclusive of theatres, businesses, BIA
 - Former group Alliance – successful for three years
 - Funding ended. Matters of concern then picked up by BIA
 - Confusion due to similar names
 - Name change takes into consideration a larger, more defined area
 - Network to exchange ideas on who is doing what and to know who exists in the area
- Community Police Liaison – L. Wolde-Gabriel
 - Police initiative
 - Looking for three major issues that require police attention.
 - All members previously provided the input
 - Issues identified as:
 - Jarvis/Esplanade
 - Drug use in Parkette on Princess St.
 - Aggressive pan handling on Front St. and Market St.
 - Police attempting to identify “hot spot” issues

Q: How are issues determined?

A: Report anything and everything. Community is too passive based on reporting numbers. If issue has not been reported, police may not consider situation an issue

Q: How to ensure that concern is reported?

A: Need to request incident number for it to be recorded. Do not use 911

- North Market – A. Seymour
 - Meeting held in last 2 to 3 weeks
 - Architect still working on drawings. Plans had no washrooms
 - Going through approval, money is in the bank
 - Currently drilling holes, sampling to take place this year with minimum problems

Q: What is the estimated time to demolish the building

A: It will depend on the builder

- Heritage Lighting – J. Williams
 - Outside consulting ongoing
 - Final report has been issued
 - BIA ongoing involvement with placement program

Q: Plan for lighting for buildings

A: Some buildings have been done, next steps not known. There are 7 buildings in the area and two have been completed.

A: There is a report available on the website. The final report will likely be posted there as well

- Community Air – L. Allen
 - Developed to oppose airport
 - Port Authority meeting tonight regarding pedestrian bridge
 - Information regarding next meeting not currently available
 - Will be posted on website when available
- Community Improvement Plan – L. Allen
 - Money toward 30th Anniversary milestone
 - Benches and trees have been confirmed
 - Committee is welcoming ideas for placement
 - David Crawford will accept suggestions for placement
- Old Town Seniors Centre – J. Williams
 - Space for program at 70 Esplanade did not work out
 - Possible space in new North Market building
 - More information to come
- Website – D. Crawford
 - Hopes that website is useful
 - Welcomes suggestions to take over duties
 - Board thanks David for service
- Waterfront Toronto Bayfront Sewer – D. Crawford
 - Project is moving along
 - Encountered many water main issues, electrical issues
 - Issues have been complex
 - Businesses are upset about the disruption
 - Scott St. due to be completed in April but issues with Hydro
 - In front of London Lofts complete, street lights to be completed soon
 - Work from Old Spaghetti Factory to Church St. to be commence October 2012
 - Late start to avoid complaints of not being able to use patio during spring/summer
 - Church St. to Market St restoration to be completed “soon”

Q: Placement of Trees?

A: Aim to have trees in long trenches rather than concrete boxes
 Current issue of contention is who pays for the tree trenches
 Plan for issue to be settled by October 1, 2012

4.0 President Thanks

Suzanne Kavanagh thanked Alan Seymour for commencing the meeting and providing ad-hoc committee reports as outlined in the Agenda and meeting notes booklet.

- Mayor Clean up
 - Directed everyone’s attention to the Agenda and meeting notes booklet
- Heritage Conservation
 - Will be attending community council meeting
 - 150k has been set aside for study
 - George Brown students will do inventory

- Waterfront Marathon
 - 5 months to receive prize money
 - Delay resulted in a small issue with financials
 - Feedback from runners was positive toward bells and balloon arches
 - Feedback from planners – market bells nice fit want to keep it the same

Q: Organizers of the marathon quite unpleasant to deal with

A: Yes, meeting to be held to address several issues and safety concerns

- St. Lawrence Market BIA
 - All parties are in agreement and supporting each other
- Waterfront Toronto Portlands
 - Over 70 applications received. Application from SLNA Board accepted
 - BIA's application not accepted
 - 2 main groups – land owners and stakeholders
 - Notice regarding public meetings coming up in early April
 - Covers a huge area, many acres
 - Looking at 5year and 10year plan

Q: Significant coverage in newspapers. Developers indicate if no transportation, nothing will be developed

A: Agreement with statement

Q: West Portlands, representation with Donlands

A: Under new business, tabled for another meeting

5.0 Election and Procedures:

Suzanne Kavanagh turned the position of Chair over to Alan Seymour to conduct the procedures for the election of Directors. Pre election discussions:

- Nominations Committee
 - Information posted on website
 - E-mailed all delegates who have provided e-mail address to secretary
 - Forms available at last two prior meetings
- Compliments to Treasurer
 - All 45 housing units paid up
- Compliments to Secretary
 - Working hard to confirm delegates
 - Confusion last year due to two groups of delegates from same housing unit
- Current Vacancies
 - Two existing members – Suzanne Kavanagh, Jacquie Williams to remain
 - Five vacancies to be voted on
 - Three 3 year term, one 2 year term, one 1 year term
 - Directors will decide positions once election completed

Alan Seymour explained the process of voting for Directors, stating that only delegates whose membership is paid up could vote.

Alan Seymour asked for nominations from the floor. The nominations were closed. It resolved to close the nominations. Nominations were accepted for Loretta Allen, Caida Gill, Steve Lowden, Dan O'Leary. It was determined that Debra Corey was not eligible for nomination.

6.0 Annual Report of the Board of Directors for 2011/12

Suzanne Kavanagh directed everyone's attention to the Annual Report. See attached.

Discussed additional points to the report:

- Number of times attending city council
- Tom Davidson providing details of timing to President for speaking
- February 14 tall buildings report, reopened back to staff
- February 16 speak to rules and regulations
- OMB public meeting regarding 154 Front St. East
- Pre-meeting with lawyer
- Letter going to council

7.0 Treasurer’s Report:

The Treasurer's Report was presented by John Wichelow:

Indicated that financial statements were available from auditors and requested to confirm auditors for coming year. Year ended in surplus. In good position to move forward with projects and money is present for all events. The goal of keeping a minimum of \$5 000 available for emergency funds has been achieved and in present practise there is more.

Q. Accounts receivable indicating \$6 000

A. This reflects the marathon prize funds

Q. Fundraising difference between 2011 and 2012

A. 2010 recorded all fundraising, 2011 offset due to change in accounting practises

Q. Expenses difference in Community Donations from 2010 and 2011

A. Same off set and change in accounting, all bundled expenses are not shown

Q. \$40 000 funds should be invested

A. Given interest rate, not practical. Money is in a cash account. Finance Policy would have to be in place. Restricted accounts

Q. Difference in project costs for 2010 and 2011

A. Auditor had to change system due to change in the accounting procedures. Better comparison between Revenue and Expenses.

Q. Who made the changes to accounting practise

A. Legislative rules changed

It was resolved to approve the audited Financial Statements for the period ending December 31, 2011 as circulated. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: Joan Campbell

SECONDED BY: Del Brown

It was resolved to appoint the firm of Cowperthwaite Mehta Chartered Accountants LLP as the auditors until the next Annual General Meeting. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: Wallace Simpson

SECONDED BY: Dennis Glasgow

8.0 Acceptance of Incoming Board of Directors

Votes were counted and presented as follows:

Loretta Allen – 3 year term

Steve Lowden – 3 year term

C. Gill and Dan O’Leary received same number of votes.

Alan Seymour led a discussion for a second vote to take place to determine the terms of Caida Gill and Dan O'Leary. Dan O'Leary offered to accept the two year term.

Motion was made to accept the offer that Dan O'Leary would accept the two year term and a second vote was not required. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED**.

MOTIONED BY: Alan Seymour

SECONDED BY: Jim Loxley

9.0 Other Business

1. Ronny Yaron put forward discussion
 - Interested member of neighbourhood, other groups part of old town.
 - Possibility of exchange of delegates with other groups
 - Formalize the relationship
 - ◆ A: Suggest new board look into the issue
 - ◆ Currently there is informal cooperation
 - ◆ Should be an agenda item for new board

2. Dwight – Trees being cut down in Berczy Park
 - Levelled six to seven trees in Berczy Park
 - One may have been dead, but removed up to seven
 - Reduced the amount of shade
 - Request has been put in to parks department to find out reasons for removal
 - High number of trees caused disruption
 - Replaced in two years when park is scheduled to be redone
 - Park is very empty, very troublesome when trees removed without reason
 - ◆ A: Suggest contacting Pam to see if consistent reason provided
 - ◆ Suggest be part of “Friends of Berczy Park”
 - ◆ Contact berczypark@gmail.com

3. Resolution of April 10th hearing date regarding 154 Front Street (Greyhound building)
 - Will be a participant at the meeting, not a party
 - Evening consultation meeting time requested
 - Resolution states SNLA opposes development
 - BIA also sending letter regarding intention to participate
 - Pre-hearing will be first step
 - Details to be posted on website
 - ◆ Clarification of party vs. participant
 - ◆ Party must attend every day and can be cross examined
 - ◆ Participant does not need to attend daily, but can speak
 - ◆ Party must pay, participant does not
 - ◆ President letter to city
 - ◆ 159 Fredrick and 160 very concerned
 - ◆ Creation of strategy for presentation
 - ◆ Key issues and talking points to be planned
 - ◆ Encouraging as many people as possible to attend meeting to bring attention to the concerns of the community

4. Catherine Limberti – fact of Linda Goldman at St. Lawrence Library soon retiring
 - Consideration should be given to long service community service provider
 - ◆ A: Wait until strike is over and revisit

There being no further business, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.



LIST OF MOTIONS

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 SECONDED BY: Wallace Simpson

4 Approval of Audited Financial Statements:

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MOTIONED BY: Joan Campbell
 SECONDED BY: Del Brown

5 Appointment of Auditors:

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MOTIONED BY: Wallace Simpson
 SECONDED BY: Dennis Glasgow

6 Voluntary Assignment of two year term

Motion was made to accept the offer that Dan O’Leary would accept the two year term and a second vote was not required. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: Alan Seymour
 SECONDED BY: Jim Loxley