



**MINUTES OF THE  
DELEGATES' MEETING**  
April 24, 2013  
OWN CO-OP, 115 The Esplanade

**Board of Directors in Attendance:**

President: : Steve Lowden – London on the Esplanade  
Secretary: Jacquie Williams - Old York Tower  
VP Internal: John Wichelow – Windmill Line Co-op  
VP External: Dwight Peters - 25 The Esplanade  
VP Internal: Maureen Walsh - 15 Scadding  
At Large: Dan O'Leary – 15 Scadding

**Voting Delegates in Attendance:**

Jacquie Jensen - Cathedral Co-op  
Rhonda Parto - Caroline Co-op  
Catherine Limbertie - 1 Church Street  
Ruth Williams - 1 Church Street  
Wally Simpson - Combie Park  
Doug Maybank - Crombie Park  
Margaret McQuade - David B. Archer  
Lois Thomson - David B. Archer  
Colin Randall-Smith - Old York Place 11  
Dsvld Crawford - 135 George Street S.  
Joyce Arnold - 135 George Street S.  
Judith Nagata - King George Square  
Debra Corey - Kings Court  
Isorine Marc - Harmony B Housing Co-op.  
Sonja Secker, Market Square  
Andrea Vechter - Market Square

**Associate Members & Guests:**

Pam McConnell - City Councillor  
Tom Davidson – Pam McConnell's Office  
Karen Kam - 135 George St. S.  
Ronny Yaron - Woodsworth Co-op  
Don Michel - Hahn Place  
Stig Harvor - Old York Tower  
Peter Jackson - Market Square  
Delsie Gomez - St. Lawrence Library

**Board of Directors Regrets:**

Treasurer: Caida Gill – London on the Esplanade  
At Large: Ian Campbell - Woodsworth Co-op

Alan Seymour - Old York Tower  
Duncan Ash - Old York Tower  
Heidi Bock - OWN  
Connie Yang - OWN  
Eileen Boyd - PAL  
Robert Sherrin - Abbey Lofts  
Elizabeth Ecker - St. Lawrence on the Park  
Suzanne Kavanagh - St. Lawrence on the Park  
Toby Tenenbaum - St. Lawrence on the Park  
Lena Andersen - 140 The Esplanade  
Bluebell Planck - The Indigo  
Wendy Devine - Windmill Line Co-op

**Regrets:**

Mary McDonald - 25 The Esplanade  
Brenda MacDougall - 25 The Esplanade  
Don James - Yorktown on the Park  
Joselyn Thomson - Woodsworth Co-op

Alda Arthur - Women of Promise  
Robyn Posner - St. Lawrence Mkt. BIA  
Olga Krenko - OWN

**1. Registration**

**2. Opening Of Meeting**

**2.1 Opening Remarks**

Steve Lowden (President) stated that he would be chairing the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

## **2.2 Approval of Agenda**

It was resolved to approve the agenda as presented. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY:** David Crawford  
**SECONDED BY:** Margaret McQuade

## **2.3 Approval of Minutes for February 27, 2013**

It was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Delegates' meeting held on February 27, 2013 as presented. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY:** Wally Simpson  
**SECONDED BY:** Doug Maybank

## **2.4 Approval of Minutes for March 27, 2013**

It was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Delegates' meeting held on March 27, 2013 as presented. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

**MOVED BY:** David Crawford  
**SECONDED BY:** Dwight Peters

## **3. Board Meeting Update:**

Steve Lowden introduced the new board. Suzanne Kavanagh and Debra Corey have retired but are continuing on the Development Committee. On behalf of the Board and in a brief presentation, John Wichelow thanked both for their years of service.

- Buskerfest is moving to Yonge Street this summer
- This will be the last year for Woofstock in our community
- David Crawford to continue as webmaster pending handover to a successor
- Next Board Meeting will deal with communications and goal-setting
- The Board reviewed and discussed the Community Event guidelines from Market Square Event Planning Group. The City looks to us to define and decide
- Jets on the Island airport will be discussed at next Board meeting. York Quay Residents Association pushing for community consultation.
- We await Electoral Commission decision on realignment of electoral boundaries. A petition to leave our SLNA district undivided is still open. Bob Rae, Glen Murray and Pam McConnell are all on side. Motions were passed on this and our opposition to the Casino in March.
- The decision to combine Canada Day and a Summer Picnic was received by delegates with disappointment. A discussion followed and Steve asked if volunteers would come forward to lead Canada Day and on the spot a group was formed to gather after the meeting to plan the event.

## **4. Guest Speaker: Pam McConnell, Councillor, Ward 28**

There were three aspects of Councillor McConnell's review: Citywide issues, Local issues, Upcoming issues.

### **CITY WIDE**

- Downtown traffic study. Complete details at: <http://www.toronto.ca/involved/projects/dtos/index.htm>
- Casino: Even if Council approves must come back after one year. The results from the public consultations included in the report show that there is little support for a casino in the downtown. Citywide, half the people contacted for an Environics poll were opposed to a casino. Meanwhile, 71% of those who participated in the City's consultations were opposed. Torontonians clearly do not see a casino as compatible with their vision for a prosperous and healthy city.
- While the airport brings noise, pollution and congestion problems, there is little evidence of added benefit to Toronto. Jets should fly out of Pearson. Union-Pearson link will be fully operational shortly, providing a fast and convenient route between the downtown and the airport. TRCA opposes jets.

## LOCAL

- First Parliament Site - need SLNA rep on working group. Goal is to have a first meeting before the summer.
- Scott St. Pumping Station is a "screw-up". Had to replace first job. Now sign-off imminent, 4 months to fully complete. Infrastructure very old.
- Market Street - Work being done on the west side which is being paid by Woodcliffe - Section 37 is being used to complete the east side
- The Esplanade will be finished after the end of patio season 2013. Front Street Promenade funded by Section 37, BIA and Economic Development cost sharing, and Public Realm funds - should be started this summer. Delays by Hydro. Scope includes burying of Hydro wires, replacement of all street lights, new sidewalks and pavers, bump outs at several intersections with new planting areas - and a new median between Jarvis and George. 154 Front Street parking lot - gap in City process now closed. Landscaping still in limbo. Pam still intent on getting it done.
- Heritage Conservation District: After 7 years process now have funds for study. This is where City started. Looking for volunteers. Pam presented Suzanne Kavanagh with framed dedication giving thanks for all her hard work on this.

## UPCOMING

- April 28 - Battle of York at First Parliament Site.
- Pam is hosting a Public Benefits Session to provide an overview of how these levies are applied, the projects already funded, and a look at future plans.
- Walkabout planned for West Don Lands on June 27.
- Subsidized tickets will be available for needy for Pan Am games 2015 - Will need 17,000 volunteers - it's bigger than Winter Games.

## 7. Community Updates

**Isorine Marc**, founder of **Jamii**, announced the May photo project "Reflections of the Esplanade", featuring photos by local youth. A fundraising event "The Esplanadians" will be held in Berkeley Castle Courtyard on Thursday May 23<sup>rd</sup> featuring a panel of past Toronto Mayors, David Crombie and John Sewell and architect Alan Littlewood, chaired by Christopher Hume, architecture critic for the Toronto Star. Catwalkers: Workshops May – Sept with public performance October 5<sup>th</sup>. This engages professional artists and The Esplanade residents during Scotiabank Nuit Blanche – all subject to funding.

**Robyn Posner** - Marketing, Events and Members Services Manager **BIA**: A Grand Concert for the Battle of York, 1813 - April 27 at St. James' Cathedral. This summer there will be eight free concerts in St. James Park. Re-enactors are coming back in summer. See <http://www.oldtorontonto.ca/index.php/music-in-st-james-park-series>

**St Lawrence Library** – Delsie Gomez, Librarian at the St. Lawrence branch of Toronto Public Libraries encouraged delegates to support our local library; will be discussing *Fahrenheit 451* at bookclub

**Ronny Yaron** – Spoke about Women Of Promise and reminded us about Environment Day.

## 6. Adjournment

There being no further business, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. All were in favour and the motion was **CARRIED**.

**MOVED BY:** Dan O'Leary  
**SECONDED BY:** Dwight Peters

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**Secretary**

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**President**



### **LIST OF MOTIONS**

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Moved By: Wally Simpson  
Seconded By: Doug Maybank

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Seconded By: Dwight Peters

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Moved By: Dan O'Leary  
Seconded By: Dwight Peters