



**MINUTES OF THE
DELEGATES' MEETING**
February 29, 2012
OWN CO-OP, 115 The Esplanade

Board of Directors in Attendance:

President: Suzanne Kavanagh, St. Lawrence on-the-Park
 Secretary: Jacquie Williams, Old York Tower
 Treasurer: John Wichelow – Windmill Line Co-o
 VP External: Loretta Allen, Cathedral Court Co-op
 VP Internal: Debra Corey, 230 King St. E.
 At Large: David Smith, Longboat Residents Assoc
 At Large: Cathy Waiten, The Indigo, 50 Lombard

Board of Directors Regrets:

Voting Delegates in Attendance:

Robert Sherrin – Abbey Lofts
 Lois Thompson - David B. Archer Co-op
 Margaret McQuade – David B. Archer Co-op
 Caida Gill – London on the Esplanade
 Ian Campbell - Woodsworth Co-op
 Steve Lowden – London on the Esplanade
 Wallace Simpson – Henry Lane
 Catherine West – 1 Church Street
 Alan Seymour – Old York Tower
 Jim Loxley – PAL.
 Dan O’Leary – 15 Scadding
 Toby Tenenbaum – St. Lawrence on the Park
 Marie DeRosie – Harmony Co-op Homes
 Bruno Leps – Market Square
 Duncan Ash – Old York Tower
 David Balcon – 313 Richmond St. E.

Mary McDonald - 25 The Esplanade
 Dwight Peters – 25 The Esplanade
 David Crawford – 135 George St. S.
 Ewa Jarmicka – Harmony Co-op Homes
 Judith Nagata – 168 George St. E.
 Bob Parkin – 71 Front St. E.
 Mathieu Maslard – 230 King St. E.
 Joan Campbell - 80 Front Street E.
 Catherine Limbertie – 1 Church Street
 Marie Copkov – 176 The Esplanade
 Carol Geddis – Woodsworth Co-op
 Yanina Jazek – Woodsworth Co-op
 Donna Patterson – 230 King St. E.
 Maureen Browne – London on the Esplanade
 Elizabeth Ecker – St. Lawrence on the Park
 Wendy Devine – Windmill Line
 Bluebell Planek – The Indigo

Regrets:

Joyce Arnold - 135 George Street South
 Carol Geddis – Woodsworth Co-op
 Yamina Jazek – Woodsworth Co-op

Associate Members & Guests:

Tom Davidson – Pam McConnell’s Office
 Robyn Posner – SLMBIA
 Cheryl Baker – David B. Archer

Stig Harvor – Old York Tower
 Ronny Yaron – Woodsworth Co-op
 Janet Walters – Historic Society

1. Registration and Refreshments

2. Opening Of Meeting

2.1 Opening Remarks

Suzanne Kavanagh (President) stated that she would be chairing the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:00 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: Keith Bricknell

2.3 Approval of Minutes for January 25, 2012

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Delegates' meeting held on January 25, 2012 as amended. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOVED BY: Matthieu Maslard
SECONDED BY: Dan O'Leary

3. Board Meeting Update:

- Suzanne Kavanagh represents SLNA on???. Information, for delegates input/comment will be on the SLNA website.
- Development at 25 Ontario will incorporate Development Committee recommendations
- February 13th – met with Sandra Shaul about the planned War of 1812 Bi-centennial celebrations. Request for SLNA community input was sought. Discussions are underway.
- February 14 & 17 participated in the presentations on the Tall Buildings Report which was approved
- BIA won an award from *8 – 80 Cities* for Berczy Park revitalization
- Board is pleased with annual membership drive: all but two residences have renewed their membership

Suzanne Kavanagh brought forward a motion for the board to allocate no less than \$20,000 to purchase benches/trees for the neighbourhood in celebration of the SLNA 30th anniversary. The **motion was carried.**

MOVED BY: Wallace Simpson
SECONDED BY: David Crawford

Delegates were asked to send their suggestions for placement to David Crawford at webmaster@slna.ca.

4. Announcement – Toronto's First Post Office

- Janet Walters, First Post Office Heritage Society, announced that 11 memberships in the Town of Old York Historical Society were taken out in response to the challenge for 40 memberships from SLNA members
- The society's celebration of Toronto's birthday is now in its 8th year. The theme for this year ties in with the Bi-centennial celebrations and will be held at St. Lawrence Hall.

5. Update on the North Market

Alan Seymour and Cheryl Baker provided an update on the status of the much anticipated North Market re-development:

- Planning for the north market revitalization goes back to 1998
- The north market will be temporarily located to the parking lot south of the south market – January 2013
- Ground breaking – January 2014
- Completion – December 2015
- There will be parking for about 250 vehicles
- Cost capped at \$75 million
- The building is four stories occupied by Courts with the Saturday and antique market on the first floor
- An advisory group is being formed to advise on governance and programming. Membership is expected to number 12 -16 and will be drawn from stakeholders and the community with representation from across the city
- Truck parking will be addressed
- Pam McConnell noted that the Seniors' Centre will be incorporated into the facility and that there is \$1 million in section 37 monies held for the centre.

6. Discussion on Toronto City 2012 Budget:

Pam McConnell provided an overview of the budget:

- The City is not permitted to run a deficit or to borrow to meet a shortfall: unlike other levels of government it must approve a balanced budget. Of every tax dollar, .08 is directed to municipalities with .50 to the federal and .42 to the provincial government.
- Direction provided included – cut spending through efficiencies and service level adjustment; maximize revenues; moderate impact on capital improvements, and moderate TTC and property tax increases.
- Pressures included – provincial downloading, repeal of Vehicle Registration Tax
- Where the money goes – about 1/3 of the operating budget covers police and emergency services and TTC and another 1/3 to provincially mandated programs such as child services
- Where the money comes from – about 40% from property tax and about 20% from the federal and provincial governments
- The capital budget is allocated to infrastructure repairs (57%) and new infrastructure related to growth (28%)
- The St. Lawrence neighbourhood has benefited significantly – Union Station revitalization (\$411 M); Donlands/Queens Quay (\$137M); St. Lawrence Market (\$72 M); Regent Park Community Centre (\$17M); Regent Park Aquatic Centre (\$4M); and, St. Lawrence Library expansion (\$18M)

Discussion included:

- The BIA has been instrumental in Berczy and St. James Park development. Funds have been levied from L Tower, Backstage and 40 Scott Street condo developments. Jane ? from the BIA reported that the *8-80 Cities* award is \$50,000 in assessment and design expertise for the parks. It is being supplemented by \$9,000 from the BIA
- Other South Market improvements include Market Street revitalization for both the Woodcliffe development and the market building
- Jarvis and Front Street improvements will be underway shortly. Some funding provided through Section 37 monies from Market Wharf development

7. SLNA Board Nominations

Alan Seymour reported on the nominations process and issued the call for nominations:

- Elections will be held at the next delegates meeting on Wednesday, March 28, 2012
- Nomination forms are available from Jacquie Williams
- Nominations and voting is restricted to delegates and the Member Profile must be completed and submitted to Jacquie prior to the meeting. The form is available on the SLNA website.
- There are now 44 member building with 114 delegates

8. New Business

- Ronny Yaron announced that a local business involved with bicycle repairs will be moving into the vacated space on Jarvis Street South.
- Ronny Yaron thanked Lois and Margaret for the excellent cookies
- Loretta Allen announced that planning is beginning for the annual SLNA Canada Day Celebrations and issued a call for volunteers to identify themselves to her.

It was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

The next Delegates meeting is the AGM and will be held on March 28, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

Secretary

President