



**MINUTES OF THE
DELEGATES' MEETING**
June 26, 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
Treasurer: Caida Gill - London on the Esplanade
Director at Large: Ian Campbell - Woodsworth Co-op
Director at Large: Dan O'Leary - 15 Scadding

Voting Delegates in Attendance:

Robert Sherrin - Abbey Lofts
Rhonda Parto - Caroline Co-op
Catherine Limbertie - 1 Church Street
Ruth Williams - 1 Church Street
Catherine West - 1 Church Street
Sumant Inamdar - 30 Church Street
Wally Simpson - Combie Park
Doug Maybank - Crombie Park
Margaret McQuade - David B. Archer
Colin Randall-Smith - Old York Place 11
Debra Corey - Kings Court
Deborah Field - Longboat Residents Assoc.
Isorine Marc - Harmony B Housing Co-op.
Sonja Secker, Market Square
Andrea Vechter - Market Square

Associate Members & Guests:

Gareth Davis - Cycle Toronto
Bruno Leps - Market Square
Jonathon Gregg - 1 Church Street
Tom Davison - Pam McConnell's Office
Sig Harvor - Old York Tower
Olga Krenco - OWN
Ronny Yaron - Woodsworth Co-op
Ann Marie Williams
Cheryl Baker - David B. Archer
Don Michel
Robin Posner - St. Lawrence BIA
Bob Evans - Cycle Toronto
Kyle Iannuzzi - Community Outreach Co-ord.
Pan Am/Para Am Games 2015

Board of Directors Regrets:

VP Internal: Maureen Walsh - 15 Scadding

Alan Seymour - Old York Tower
Heidi Bock - OWN
Sherri Russell - FAN 31 Princess
Suzanne Kavanagh - St. Lawrence on the Park
Toby Tenenbaum - St. Lawrence on the Park
Stephen Devine - 176 The Esplanade
Rhonda Ross - 176 The Esplanade
Don James - 222 The Esplanade
Dennis Glasgow - The Wellington
Wendy Devine - Windmill Line Co-op

Regrets:

Lois Thomson - David B. Archer
David Crawford - 135 George St. S.
Judith Nagata - King George Square
Bluebell Planck - The Indigo
Faith Sawyers - Windmill Line Co-op
Mary McDonald - 25 The Esplanade
Shirley Lewis - 55 The Esplanade

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 7:03 p.m.

2.2 Approval of Agenda

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

MOVED BY: Alan Seymour

SECONDED BY: Ian Campbell

2.3 Approval of Minutes for 29th May 2013

It was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Delegates' meeting held on 29th May 2013 as presented. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOVED BY: Doug Maybank

SECONDED BY: Wendy Devine

3. Board Meeting Update: by Steve Lowden

- Board Goals: Increase number of housing associations to 54 (currently at 50, an all-time high!) by April 2014; increase delegate attendance by 25% by end 2014 (from an average of 32 to 40); review website and communications and make recommendations to membership by October 31, 2013.
- Sonja Secker and Andrea Vechter are the SLNA representatives on the BIA Events Committee
- Presentation of cheque for \$1,250 to St. Lawrence Community Recreation Centre for Soccer Program
- Letter of recommendation to rename Sherbourne Common Rink in honour of the late Paul Quarrington
- Bob Rae's announcement of retirement as our riding MP
- Canada Day Celebrations on July 1 with music, a play ("The Capitulation of York"), speeches from all elected officials
- Electoral boundaries – still no word on the Electoral Commission's decision on the federal riding boundaries
- "SLNAconnects" e-mail ID will now be used to distribute information and updates
- Part of a community working group, led by Jamii, to explore creation of a sustainable arts/culture festival in conjunction with the 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games

4. Debate on Motion to Support BIXI Bike-sharing Program

Special Guest: Gareth Davis, Cycle Toronto

- Bike sharing is part of every modern big city.
- The demand for BIXI is significant. Within a year and a half of launching BIXI Toronto, the program reached a major milestone, recording its 1,000,000th trip in September 2012.
- The highest usage in the system occurs at the periphery, which demonstrates a high demand from Torontonians living outside of the service area. Community members, businesses and BIAs are now joining the call for expansion.
- Councillor Stintz, Chair of the Toronto Transit Commission, very supportive.
- Infrastructure and congestion are major barriers to cycling in this city (not to mention streetcar tracks).
- People think cyclists are 'crazy' because it looks like an extreme sport when you are riding in Toronto.
- After ten years of neglect, it's time the City of Toronto took action to make Richmond and Adelaide Streets safer for cyclists.
- One of more than 500 bike-sharing systems around the world, New York's is the biggest in the United States. 15,000 people already have signed up for New York's program.
- Protected bike lanes can help to reduce the stress and make cycling safer for people biking downtown, especially for novice cyclists. Richmond and Adelaide Streets are prime candidates - high volume roads with average speeds above 40km/h.
- SLNA will write to Mayor Rob Ford and Members of the Executive Council.

MOTION: Be it resolved that the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association encourages the City of Toronto to support and expand the BIXI program as part of public transit.

MOVED BY: Robert Sherrin

SECONDED BY: Sherri Russell

5. Guest Speaker: Kyle Iannuzzi Community Outreach Co-ordinator, Pan Am/Parapan Am Games 2015

- The Pan Am Games take place from July 10 to 26 2015 and the Parapan Am Games from August 7 to 14.
- Will bring more than 10,000 athletes and officials to the Greater Golden Horseshoe region.
- Will involve more than 17,000 volunteers.
- The Games will involve municipalities stretching from Oshawa to Welland. Games of this magnitude cannot happen without the help of volunteers, some 20,000 of whom will help deliver the best Pan Am/Parapan Am Games ever.
- Showcase our region on an international stage.
- Create a legacy of new and updated sport venues including a new aquatics centre and field house, athletics stadium and indoor velodrome.
- The overall budget for the games is \$1.44 billion, split almost equally between the operating and capital development budgets.
- Mission is to ignite the spirit through a celebration of sport and culture. The Games will be further enhanced by embracing the diversity, humanity, culture and passion that exists in both of these arenas. Arts and Culture program presented by CIBC is creating an accessible, diverse large-scale festival that showcases excellence, creativity and a commitment to inspiring and innovative cultural events.
- Develop relationships and initiatives that facilitate and activate how individuals, families, neighbourhoods, businesses and communities enjoy, leverage and participate in the Games.
- This will be the fifth edition of the Parapan Am Games and will feature 1,500 athletes from 28 countries competing in 15 sports. All sports will be Paralympic qualifiers for the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.
- The IGNITE program is a community partnership enabling individuals, organizations and communities to be associated with the TORONTO 2015 Games, and hopes to encompass the projects and events inspired by the Games coming to the region - to engage the region to connect and build excitement around the Games, invoke pride within the region and leave a positive legacy.

6. Debate of Motion on Porter Expansion of Jet Service at Island Airport

- We and NoJetsTO oppose the expansion of the Island Airport through jet aircraft and extended runways.
- NoJetsTO's goal is to protect the current Tripartite Agreement that governs the Island Airport.

MOTION: Be it resolved that the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association does not support introduction of jet service at Billy Bishop Airport and opposes changing the terms of the Tripartite Agreement.

MOVED BY: Alan Seymour
SECONDED BY: Robert Sherrin

7. Election: SLNA Representative, First Parliament Site Working Group. Three candidates were on the ballot: Wendy Devine, Stephen Devine, David Crawford. David Crawford was elected; his back-up will be Suzanne Kavanagh.

8. North Market Update Alan Seymour reported on the latest situation.

- Redevelopment of St. Lawrence Market North cost has escalated from \$76 million to \$91.5 million.
- At their City Hall meeting on June 17 members of the Government Management Committee balked at the price increase for the proposed new five-storey development, which would house, along with the market, 14 courtrooms, 250 underground Green P city parking spaces, and other amenities.
- At this meeting former mayor John Sewell, unaware of the very lengthy process already undertaken by the working group that met regularly and the actual reasons behind the increase, spoke against the new development.
- Motions to reject the development and to approve it both lost on tie votes. That means the issue now goes to City Council next month for a final decision, without benefit of a recommendation from the Committee.
- **Could be the end of the project for an age if Council votes against.**
- Petition is already being distributed and all are urged to sign. Need as many as possible.

9. New Business

- Wally Simpson reported on the "Close the Housing Gap" campaign which aims to persuade the federal and provincial governments to continue funding social housing at existing levels and provide new, long-term funding for social housing capital repairs – see putpeoplefirst.ca for more information
- Dwight Peters reported on the City's public Condo Consultation project – see http://www.toronto.ca/planning/condo_consultation.htm for more information
- Isorine Marc of **Jamii** reminded us about *coLOUR Esplanade* (Music, theatre and movie) on 29th June and *Reflections of the Esplanade* at Berczy Park on 1st July
- Reminder of Pam McConnell's sneak preview tour of Corktown Common on 27th June
- Olga Kremko reminded the group about Councillor McConnell's neighbourhood walkabout of the West Don Lands on Thursday, June 27
- Robyn Posner of St. Lawrence Market Neighbourhood BIA presented details of "Music in the Park"

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 9.10pm. All were in favour and the motion was **CARRIED**.

MOVED BY: Wendy Devine
SECONDED BY: Alan Seymour

Next meeting July 31, 2013 @ 7:00 pm OWN Co-op, 115 The Esplanade

Secretary

President



LIST OF MOTIONS
Delegates' Meeting: (*Date*)

1. Approval of Agenda

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Moved By: Alan Seymour
Seconded By: Ian Campbell

2. Approval of Minutes of 29th May 2013

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Moved By: Doug Maybank
Seconded By: Wendy Devine

3. It was resolved that the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association encourage the City of Toronto to support and expand the BIXI program as part of public transit. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOVED BY: Robert Sherrin
SECONDED BY: Cherry Wilson

4. It was resolved that the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association does not support expansion of jet service at Billy Bishop Airport and opposes changing the terms of the Tripartite Agreement. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

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