

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING March 25, 2009 OWN CO-OP, 115 The Esplanade

Executive Members in Attendance:

President: Suzanne Kavanagh, 65 Scadding

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

Voting Delegates in Attendance:

Catherine Limberti, 1 Church St.
Loretta Allen, Cathedral Court
Margaret McQuade, David B. Archer
Cherril Baker, David B. Archer
Dell Brown, Marketview Housing Coop
Joan Campbell, 80 Front Street E.
Oleg Holowaty, 25 George St.
David Crawford, 135 George Street S
Debra Corey, 230 King St. E., Kingscourt
Siobhan Walsh, 230 King St. E.
Robert Sherrin, 231 King St. E.
Terry Eitel, Old York Tower

Associate Members & Guests:

Doug Maybank, SLCRC Al Smith, SLMN BIA Anita McMaster, Gooderham & Worts Neighbours Assoc. Mark Fernandez, smartLiving St. Lawrence Julio Sousa, St. Michael Catholic School

Darek Fiedukiewicz, Recording Secretary

Executive Member Regrets:

Treasurer: Bruno Leps, Market Square

Alan Seymour, Old York Tower
Maureen Walsh, 15 Scadding
Elizabeth Ecker, 65 Scaddding
Karl Froehr, Windmill Line
Marc Piccinato, Windmill Line
Dennis Glasgow, The Wellington
Marcus Little, The Wellington
Emma McBey, OWN
Ian Campbell, Woodsworth Coop
Arlene Markow, Woodsworth Coop
Farriel Sharma, Marketview Housing Coop
Becky Street, MTCC 1385

Dugat Campbell, Market Square – 80 Front St. E. Terry Poulton, Spire Condo – 33 Lombard St. Bruce Bell, Guest Speaker John Andrewski, Senior Planner (City of Toronto)

1. REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

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 7:01 P.M.

2.2 Introductions – Delegates/Guests

S. Kavanagh introduced Bruce Bell (Guest Speaker) as well as John Andrewski who is the new Senior Planner for the City of Toronto responsible for the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood area.

Next, S. Kavanagh introduced the executive and invited each of the delegates, members and quests to introduce themselves.

2.3 Approval of Agenda

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

MOTIONED BY: A. Seymour SECONDED BY: M. Little

2.4 Approval of Minutes

The delegates reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on March 26, 2008.

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Delegates' meetings held on March 26, 2008 as amended. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: L. Wolde-Gabriel SECONDED BY: M. Raizenne

3. GUEST SPEAKER (Bruce Bell)

S. Kavanagh introduced B. Bell. He is a local writer, the official historian for the St. Lawrence Hall and St. Lawrence Market and he holds several other credentials that make him an expert the area.

B. Bell addressed the meeting and discussed the history of Toronto with particular emphasis on the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood area.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT (Matt Raizenne)

M. Raizenne presented that Treasurer's Report. He reviewed the results of the 2008 fiscal year and stated that actual expenditures were on budget. The 2009 budget was also set to achieve a balanced budget.

It was resolved to approve audited Financial Statements for the period ended December 31, 2008. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: M. Little SECONDED BY: A. Seymour

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

MOTIONED BY: C. Baker SECONDED BY: J. Campbell

It was resolved to approve proposed 2009 SLNA budget which includes \$22,150 in both projected revenues and expenses. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: T. Eitel SECONDED BY: E. Ecker

Q. How many buildings now below to SLNA and how many potential new members have been identified?

A. M. Raizenne confirmed that membership was increasing. The London Lofts as well as a few additional buildings have been identified and may also join in the coming year.

- S. Kavanagh added that a walkabout was performed to identify additional condominiums that may be contacted. A full list of members is posted on the SLNA website and approximately seven membership applications are also in progress.
- Q. What percentage of buildings do not belong to the association?
- A. Approximately three are non-members but the executive continues to approach them to encourage their participation.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Suzanne Kavanagh)

S. Kavanagh presented the President's Report.

She introduces some key statistics around the SLNA's successes. In particular, the SLNA:

- Received 19700 hits on Google and is listed in the first twenty-five pages out of thirty
- Has 25,000 residents in the neighbourhood
- Was established in 1982 and now has 45 member buildings along with 18 supporters and associate members
- Had over 50 volunteers in past year alone
- S. Kavanagh announced that the executive was working to achieve recognition on the City of Toronto website, was seeking to complete the heritage conservation district study, and will also continue to monitor and influence development projects in the community.

Accomplishments during the year included the runners map and the SLNA website thanks to David Crawford for his efforts! The Development Committee has monitored development activities and the SLNA also co-hosted an 'All Candidates Meeting' during the federal election and was involved with many projects throughout the community.

Planned items for 2009 include:

- The community clean-up day on April 25th
- A study of roof-top gardens
- Updates to the by-laws
- Environment Day on May 2nd
- The 2009 Toronto Scotia Bank Waterfront Marathon
- Community Improvement Plan initiatives
- A walking tour and fund-raiser with Al Rezoski
- S. Kavanagh encouraged all community members to participate in volunteer opportunities or consider running for the executive. Those interested in volunteering may contact R. Yaron, the Volunteer Coordinator.

6. ELECTIONS FOR EXECUTIVE

Jacquie Williams announced that two positions were vacant on the Executive. She noted that Bruno Leps was standing for re-election to the Treasurer position and Dan O'Leary was standing for re-election to the Member at Large position.

- J. Williams called for nominations from the floor for the Treasurer position. There being no nominations forth-coming, she announced that B. Leps was re-elected to the Executive.
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7. VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

S. Kavanagh announced that the executive wished to honour several individuals who volunteered in various capacities to make the SLNA community a better, friendlier, more nurturing place to live.

R. Yaron presented certificates of appreciate to the following individuals:

Linda Proud - Community Gardening

Cherril Baker - Bylaw Committee, Development Committee

Deb Bray - Community Gardening

Keith Bricknell - Community Police Liaison Committee

Joan Campbell - Bylaw Committee, Heritage Conservation District Study,

Development Committee, Old Town Toronto Seniors

Christina - Community Gardening
David Crawford - Webmaster, SLNA Website

Michael Cruikshank - Heritage Conservation District Study

Jim Dalziel - Community Gardening
Francesca Donley - Community Gardening
Dianne Forsyth - Community Gardening

Dennis Glasgow - St. Lawrence Running Club, Canada Day Celebration,

Development Committee - Canada Day Celebrations

David Hains - Development Committee Stig Harvor Aurie Hensman - Development Committee Ewa Jarmicka - Community Gardening - Canada Day Celebrations Bob Kemp - Community Gardening Lorna Kingston - Canada Day Celebrations Ani Kouvanis Violet Farquharson-Lambert - Canada Day Celebrations Catherine Limbertie - West Jarvis Block Project - Chair, Development Committee Marcus Little - West Jarvis Block Project Claire McAdam

Siobhan McLauglin - Community Improvement Program, Community Gardening

- West Jarvis Block Project Halima Mohamed - Community Gardening Saleem Mohamed Hilde Ortman - Community Gardening Sylvia Pellman - Development Committee Sherri Russell - SLCRC Advisory Committee Jewels Rvan - Community Gardening Kathrvn Sabo - Community Gardening - Bylaw Committee Alan Sevmour

Robert Sherrin - Development Committee, Waterfront Committee

Paul Smith - Canada Day Celebrations
Julia Sousa - Canada Day Celebrations
Janet Thomas - Community Gardening
Lois Thomson - Community Gardening
Rose Walsh - West Jarvis Block Project

Connie Yang - Canada Day Celebration, Old Town Toronto Seniors

Sid Dolgay - Canada Day Celebrations

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Marc Piccinato reminded those in attendance that the Outreach Committee of the Windmill Line Coop had issued a challenge to other buildings to beat the results of their one day food drive in support of the Toronto Daily Break Food Bank (TDBRB). He announced that the event successfully raised 114 pounds of food an collected \$171 in donations. More information about organizing such an event is available via a link on the SLNA website. M. Piccinato suggested that other co-ops provide an update at the next SLNA Delegates' meeting as to results of their food drives. A successful book drive was also held during which 1,000 books were donated.

Marcus Little stated that a public consultation meeting concerning a proposed condominium was scheduled for April 2nd at 7pm at the Little Trinity Church (King and Parliament). The application calls for a building that would be too tall and which would create an unacceptable density in the area. He encouraged community members to participate in the public consultation and voice their concerns.

Cherril Baker announced that the St. Lawrence Market Appreciation Night was also scheduled for April 2nd.

Dennis Glaskow stated that he and Dell Brown both run in the Blind Guys Triathlon. It was agreed that a spokesperson for the event be permitted to address the next Delegates' meeting on behalf of the venture.

65 Scadding is planning its third annual yard-sale on May 29th in Crombie Park.

Wallace Simpson reported that the Save Our Structures campaign was recognized by Queen's Park for its work to garner \$300,000,000 in backlog and repairs.

David Crawford thanked the SLNA Executive for their efforts on behalf of the community!

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. All were in favour and the **motion was CARRIED.**

MOTIONED BY: C. Baker SECONDED BY: K. Froehr

The next Delegates meeting will be held on April 29 at 7:00 pm.

Corporate Secretary	President



LIST OF MOTIONS

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