

QUEENSWOOD HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting

Minutes of board meeting held 7.00 pm, February 4th, 2009 at the Queenswood Heights Community Centre, Room 3.

Present: Sue Guarda, Philip Berthiaume, Pete Weston, Al Tweddle, Jeanine Mader, Henri Gravelle on behalf of Councillor Bob Monette, Robert Paiement on behalf of Councillor Jellett, Public School Board Trustee John Shea.

Regrets: Charlie Orr, Alain Belle-Isle

1. Queenswood Public School Update

John Shea, trustee, advised the board that the school was declared surplus in Fall. The school may be kept as overflow from Avalon community. Two letters of interest were received including the Ottawa Catholic French board. The board has priority and some decisions will be made this month.

2. President's and Membership report

A new membership letter is being drafted that will be mailed out to the community. The association has lost a lot of regular attendees and as such association activities will have to be limited. An attempt to find an organizer for Fun day is not providing results. Richard Lalonde, last year's organizer will be approached for information to organize for this year.

3. Community street sign markers

Robert Paiement in councillor Jellett's office provided an estimate from Sign FX for installation and making of community street markers. Including tax, the amount is \$21,611.25 for 50 signs.

4. Newsliner

Lori Nash has indicated that she will be stepping away from producing the Newsliner due to over demand on her time including her other volunteer obligations. A replacement will hopefully be found. Lori produced a very professional product.

5. Neighbourhood Watch

There were 2 Break and Enters and 4 acts of vandalism reported in January 2009.

6. Recreation and Petrie Island

Outdoor skating rinks are going well. A new volunteer is being sought for Kinsella for next year. Lifecycle replacement of the Kinsella Tennis park and of the Play ground at the community center were in the budget. PIAC has reduced number of yearly meetings to 3. The City is reviewing the governance model of the group. Prices for Picnic Shelter are in. The conservation authority and the City should approve the project for go ahead. The Petrie Island displays may also be improved. SPIRIT is hoping to hire the coordinator from last season, who was very effective.

7. Councillor Monette's Report

Councillor Monette has been trying to get Express buses on the road before April 6th as planned by OC Transpo. Also, he is trying to get a 30% incentive for pass users to come back to the system. Mayor O'Brien is invited to a Coffee House meeting with Councillor Monette at 255 Centrum blvd. A public meeting is organized by councillor Monette to discuss the recent call to add Lower Duck Island as a potential place for a new interprovincial bridge. It will be held on Feb 9th.

8. Councillor Jellet

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Next Meeting will be Wednesday March 4th 2009 at 19h00.

Meeting adjourned.