Minutes of Meeting Riverview Park Community Association

Wednesday, February 13, 2008

Present
Dale Wagner
Cheryl Khoury
Carole Moult
Kris Nanda
Janina Nickus

Absent Ahmed Nor Norm Abraham Sue Vye

Total 3

Executive Meeting

Chris Mark
Roger Piché
Total 7

Guests: Mike Traub & Cindy Golby from Claridge Homes-Oakridge Retirement Centre

- 1. Roger Piché called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.
 - Agenda approved.
 - Previous minutes (re Jan. 8/08 meeting) approved with one minor change re amount charged by Canterbury re rental of room at their site \$9.00 not \$90.00.
 - 4. Treasurer's Report 1. Approval of Expenses 2. New Expenses 3. Income statements
 - Norm prepared statements for period ending Feb. 13/08. The following cheques were issued/approved:
 - #055 to Carole Moult \$500.00 re honourarium re Riverviews
 - #056 to Mike Dynie \$880.00 honourarium re Riverviews
 - #057 to Sean Dowd \$500.00 honourarium re Riverviews
 - #058 to Performance Printing \$1,264.80 re Riverviews
 - #059 to Norm Abraham \$192.45 petty cash (postage, stationary, printing)
 - Janina mentioned that no cheques had been received yet for Balena Rink grant. \$575.00 showing as rink revenue is for Dale only.

Action Item; Janina to contact City of Ottawa-Seasonal Programs re status of cheques.

Update from Janina - I have received a cheque from the City of Ottawa for the first two instalments for Balena Rink grant (City pays in 3 instalments), totalling \$2,775.00 (1st install \$925.00, 2nd \$1,850.00). I'll pass on the cheque to Norm in the near future.

Action Item: Roger offered to contact accounts receivable that are over 61 days older ads in the paper.

5. Presentation by Management of Oak Park Retirement Centre (Mike & Cindy)

The facility has underground parking, convenience store, meeting space, hairdresser, exercise room, sprinkler system, etc. Green building – will recycle, energy efficient appliances, etc. Scheduled to open July 1/08; capacity approx 140.

Report/Activities from Committees

- Ottawa Hospital Community Advisory Committee Update
- nothing to report
- 7. Parks, Recreation and Environment Committee
- -skating party at Balena set for Feb. 17/08 (Sunday 2-4 p.m.)
- committee has finalized the plans. Some volunteers from the board (Roger, Chris, Cheryl Carole, Janina & Kris) will help out at the event.

- we have spent approx \$200.00 re the event to date and have not yet purchased food & drinks
- Janina made a motion to pre-approve up to \$200.00 for expenses re the skating party; 2nd by Roger, motion passed.
- our committee wants to place an ad for more members in the next edition of Riverviews
- also will need to place ad for spring clean-up in May for April edition of Riverviews
- mentioned ordering plastic (like real estate) signs (one for each park?) to advertise upcoming park cleanups. Signs would be reusable year to year - would indicate park clean-ups for Saturday at 10 a.m. Cheapest cost \$25 cost per sign for minimum order of 6 signs.
- Mentioned issue of complaints re crows in our neighbourhoods- mainly around Coronation Park in the garbage, pecking roofs, leaving droppings, etc. Pam had read an article about a community that uses a hose to discourage the crows.

Action item: Roger to ask the City via Peter Hume's office if the City has any plans to deal with the crows.

- re the issue of graffiti, the committee wants a letter to be issued from the board to get local businesses/ organizations (ex: Hydro, Bell, Canada Post) to take care of graffiti on their property. The City, OC Transpo, LOEB does so on theirs.

Action item: Chris will draft this letter for Roger.

8. Planning & Development

- Hospital link road- Appeals to OMB was lost. The E.A. was approved and City has budgeted \$10 million for this year (will need to tunnel under railway; will be at grade at Alta Vista) & \$55 million for 2011 for the link road. Residents can file a request to have the roadway removed from the City's official plan. Defer discussion on what the board/residents can do until the next meeting.
- OC Transpo articulated bus garage no new information yet. There was some discussion about soundproofing the site at the public meeting held Jan. 14/08.
- CIBC wants to build a drive-through bank at Ottawa Train Yards on Industrial. Kris will circulate Emails on this issue and prepare draft letter advising of our concerns against having a drive through (traffic, environmental concerns)
- Ronald MacDonald House wants to build an addition to their facility

9. Communications Committee

- Paper was 32 pages last edition (max size should be 28 pages)
- 41 ads in the paper for \$3,017 in revenue
- Performance Printing matched the price offered by Winchester Printers
- discussed increase to ad costs (ours comparable to what Vista's charges) to cover costs of honorariums
- we noted that Norm's office expenses (re postage, printing, etc.,) are all attributed to the paper, when some of these are treasurer's expenses and should be noted as such or as office expenses.

Action Item: Dale will contact Paul Bourque for details of our website contract - terms, length, etc.

- 10. New Business none
- Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Next meeting - Wednesday March 5, 2008

Minutes prepared by Janina Nickus