

Sept 14, 2010
WLHA Board Meeting Minutes
Recorded By Cathy Cronin

Attendees Kevin Beattie, Fran Deitel, Cathy Cronin, Mike Capotosto, James Beeksma, Andrew Cryne,
Karen Brown

Absent: Dimos Zarkadas

Meeting started at 7:30 pm

ADMIN

1. Minutes from the June 15 Board meeting were accepted
2. Financials- no update

UPDATES

Membership – 279 members, up from 197 in Dec. The Canada Day picnic was very successful as a membership drive.

Development - Sheppard West (from Beecroft to Easton) – there are numerous sites that will likely be developed as this part of Sheppard undergoes changes. Do we as a Board want to review each application one at a time or would it be more effective to push for a secondary plan that where we can voice our concerns and be part of a total plan that will define density, height etc. for that part of Sheppard. We decided as a Board to wait until after the election as we may have more info and get more traction. We will bring forward this discussion in Nov or Dec.

Traffic- the Yonge Street traffic study is now finalized. James Beeksma will provide the highlights for next email to members.

Education, Crime/Safety – no updates

Beautification – Mike made the Board aware of the garbage that is collecting in the ravine behind the Easton Apartments. He provided us with pictures and has spoken with the Property Manager and is awaiting a reply with regard to the situation. We agreed that he represents the Board and thus the membership when he speaks with them and asks for a plan to cleanup and prevent this.

FoNTRA – Kevin will continue to participate and will focus his attention on the OMB reform discussions and activities. The new zoning bylaws were passed by Council. Overall, FoNTRA (and WLHA) are pleased as the work done to maintain the uniqueness of neighborhoods was maintained, the increased density that was proposed by City planners did not go through. There is still room for tweaking but overall Kevin was pleased.

CANADA DAY PICNIC – Our WLHA picnic was a great success. If anyone has pictures- please forward to Mike. The day went well and the only recommended change was the location of the membership booth so that everyone has to funnel through to get to the food. We agreed the posters on the neighborhood poles was very effective and other efforts such as door to door flyers may not have added much more impact. Thanks to Mike (chair), James, Andrew, Fran and Karen.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

Donation - Kevin put forward a motion to donate \$200 to the Food Bank on behalf of Lansing United Church as appreciation for use of Church facilities for WLHA Board mtgs. Motion approved.

2010 Board members - Andrew Cryne has advised the Board that he will not participate again in 2010. All other members will continue (pending membership approval at the AGM). Many thanks to Andrew for his work and efforts.

AGM - we are booked at Cameron School. We agreed that we did not need coffee or water.

- Cathy will draft an agenda for review. Each board member will have a section.
- Andrew will draft a survey to enable us to get feedback on priorities.

- Cathy will put out the sandwich board signs to advertise the date/location.
- Kevin will include reminders in email newsletters.
- Fran will do room setup