

## **Blackburn Community Association (BCA)**

Minutes of Meeting  
of  
Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Al Ross  
Evelyn Budd  
Helen Rosseau  
Tom Scott  
Beverly Hobbs  
Sandra Hobbs  
Roger Smiley  
Jessica Tranquilli Doherty  
Paula Rosenquist  
Annick Laporte  
Iris Phillips

### GUEST:

SAM ELIAS  
RAINER BLOESS

#### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Al Ross at 7:33 pm.

#### 2.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Roger Smiley, seconded by Charles Kennedy that the minutes of March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2005 be accepted. Carried.

#### 3.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3.1 LaFarge will deliver stone dust for the Funfair.

#### 4.0 SAM ELIAS

4.1 Sam brought architectural plans and street-view renderings of his proposed building on Innes Road where the Wally's restaurant currently operates. Changes made to the original plan included changing the peak roof to a flat roof, adding underground parking and fourteen additional spaces beyond the requirement, and a new picnic area. The general appearance of the building was improved, the number of units was reduced from sixty to fifty-six, and a drop-off zone off of Innes road was added. The roof compressors are hidden from the street by architectural detail and the entire building was set back from Innes road.

4.2 Demolition of Wally's will likely begin in March 2006 provided the desired fifty to sixty percent unit sales has been met.

4.3 It is the BCA's opinion that major improvements were made to the aesthetics of the project and that there has been compliance to all requests. Therefore the BCA executive supports the favourable improvements made and has no objections to the plans.

#### 5.0 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

5.1 Guidelines for 2005 Funding were given by Al to Beverly.

5.2 A \$357.00 adjustment from the city was sent to the BCA due to a 2% increase in funding for minor capital.

- 6.0 V-CHAIR'S REPORT
  - 6.1 Regarding the expansion of the Community Hall, Al met with park planner, Diane Emmerson. The proposed move of the Blackburn Library to the Hall in an effort to ensure sustainability was discouraged by Diane.
- 7.0 TREASURER'S REPORT
  - 7.1 BCA is financial sound, having in excess of \$29,000 at its disposal.
- 8.0 DIRECTOR'S REPORT
  - 8.1 Ertin Beckers, the new manager at the LaFarge quarry said they will deliver the stone dust to the Funfair. Beverly will email the necessary particulars.
  - 8.2 Les Bunning was told by Tim Horton's that the corporation will not build a Tim's where there is no access to a drive-through. They are still looking at other possible Blackburn locations.
  - 8.3 Paula reported that the city would again provide gloves and garbage bags for the Blackburn Clean-up Day, but that she could not get the Community Hall for the day as it was already booked. The Blackburn Preschool offered to provide the use of their washrooms and kitchen for the occasion. BBQ will be at 11:30 and rain barrels will again be available for sale at \$50.00 each. Schools have signed up for the clean-up and Louis Riel will have its own clean-up event. Organizers of the Blackburn Clean-up are authorized to give high-school volunteer hours.
- 9.0 COUNCILLOR'S REPORT
  - 9.1 Ward boundary hand-outs were distributed by Rainer. The message to leave the East boundaries alone was received and largely complied with by the consultants, although the boundary lines west of the Blackburn Ward have been moved to no longer include much of the adjoining greenbelt formerly included in the ward. This is a tabled proposal.
  - 9.2 The proposal also consist of the addition of two new councillors.
  - 9.3 The BCA strongly opposes the change to it's boundary lines. The following motion was moved and unanimously carried by the BCA executive.

WHEREAS the Blackburn Community Association is satisfied with the status quo of the ward boundaries:

AND WHEREAS, the recommendation to arbitrarily draw the ward boundary through the Greenbelt without regard to natural or geographic features or existing alignments and without consideration of local preferences;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Blackburn Community Association strongly rejects the latest boundary proposal between Innes and Beacon Hill-Cyrville wards, and that the current boundary along the west side of Innes Ward be maintained.

## 10.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

### BANAR

- 10.1 May 10<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the May BANAR.
- 10.2 The BANAR was successfully delivered to Chapel Hill South last month. \$350 plus tax was invoiced to Marc's office for the printing costs of the 2,000 extra copies of last month's BANAR but Marc Godbout's office will not fund the June delivery.
- 10.3 Helen moved that the June BANAR be distributed to Chapel Hill South. Roger seconded, motioned carried.
- 10.4 The minor capital adjustment received from the city noted in the Chairman's Report 5.2 will be used to cover printing costs for Chapel Hill South. Delivery

funding will be solicited from Marc Godbout or Phil McNeely's office. Rainer offered to find funding if these resources failed.

#### FUNFAIR

- 10.5 Max Keeping will be at the Funfair for the opening ceremonies and the parade.
- 10.6 New vegetarian options have been added to the usual fare. Pizza is again on the menu for the evening festivities. Enbridge has not yet replied about the BBQs.
- 10.7 Junkyard Symphony is booked for Friday night. A resale table has been added for used games, movies, DVDs, etc. The White Elephant Table needs to be manned. The Preschool will be asked to man it.

#### COMMUNITY HALL EXPANSION

- 10.8 The soccer fields can be moved but a solid plan is needed. Al brought in a survey drawing of the Community Hall area provided by Lynn. He will check out what the Canterbury Community Hall provides as their community organization is organized and run similarly to the BCA.

#### 11.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 11.1 Although a volunteer will be given an award, the evening event will be a volunteer appreciation night that will include Funfair volunteers. It will be held June 18th.
- 11.2 Paxton Lane residents are upset that they received no notice about the construction of the new dome at Louis Riel. Pierre Tessier will meet with residents at the school on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of May between 4:00 and 6:00pm. Possible compromises include the construction of a berm, landscaping, and the relocation of the compressors to the back of the dome.
- 11.3 Evelyn Budd's "History of Blackburn" has sold out at the library.
- 11.4 Al suggested that minor capital be used to add to the skateboard area.

#### 12.0 ADJOURNMENT

- 12.1 Meeting was adjourned at 9:35pm.