

The meeting, consisting of approximately 130 people, was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by George Bushell, President, BCA.

Item 1.

Minutes of the previous General Meeting held on the 26th September 1978 and published in the October BANAR. Correction on 1st page subsection entitled Westpark: phrase "86% of the households were in favour of continuing the new 36 bus route on Westpark Dr." should read "86% of the households were in favour of discontinuing the new 36 bus route on Westpark Dr."

MOTION: Moved by John Hollins, seconded by John Pollard, that the minutes be adopted. Carried.

Item 2.

Ratification of BCA Executive. The President explained that the BCA's last Annual General Meeting (held in June 1978) was not able to elect a slate of officers because a quorum of Association members was not present. This coupled with subsequent changes in the executive meant that the slate of officers as shown in the January 1979 (excepting Iris Prentice, Adult Activities) needed to be ratified. Now that the Special Projects Chair had been filled it had been decided to place the co ordination of dances, Monte Carlo events and other such fund-raising activities with the Special Projects Committee (as had been the case in the past). Blackburn members are now invited to contact the Special Projects Chairperson if they would like to organize and run a dance or other social event for the BCA. Iris had been organizing and running all BCA sponsored social events herself but the work-load became too much for one person. This coupled with personal commitments meant that she had to resign.

MOTION: Moved by Colin Sangster that the slate of officers as printed in the January 1979 BANAR (with the above noted exception) be nominated to the positions as shown therein.

The President asked if there were any other nominations but none were forthcoming.

MOTION: Moved by John Pollard, seconded by John Hollins that nominations be closed. Carried. The President then introduced the Executive.

Item 3.

1979 BCA Budget.

MOTION: Moved by Al Haggerty, seconded by Phil Chartrand that the 1979 BCA Budget be approved as tabled and previously printed in the January 1979 BANAR.

The President explained that this year the Sports budget showed only total revenue and cost and that finalization of budgets and grants for individual BCA sponsored sports programs had still to be done. When this was completed, the detailed Sports budget would be presented to the membership at a General Meeting as an amendment to the 1979 budget.

Eldon Kemp, Maintenance Chairman, was asked to explain the source of \$5,500 revenue shown in his budget. He indicated that the BHCRC was going to pay up to this amount toward the maintenance of winter rinks and summer baseball diamonds.

John Pollard was asked to expand upon the Youth Activities budget and he did so.

Motion carried.

Item 4.

Transportation Motion and Amendments.

George Bushell passed control of the meeting to Mike Roche, Chairman of the Transportation Committee.

Mike Roche reviewed the background to the main motion and seven amendments being presented. Concern had arisen following changes in bus service in September 1978. This was due partly to service problems but mainly to the impact of additional buses within the Community. Adjustments had already been made to deal with service problems but routing of buses within the Hamlet was still an issue. The object of the meeting was to provide guidance to the BCA Transportation Committee as to further action that might be necessary. Following a brief review of the motion and amendments, discussion and voting was commenced starting with amendment number 7. The results were as follows:

Seventh Amendment

Proposed by: Mel Dighton
Seconded by: Harold Diceman

"Moved that OC Transpo be asked to schedule route 36 for sixty minute service exclusive of peak hours (i.e. 6:30 - 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.)."

DEFEATED.

Sixth Amendment

Proposed by: Peter Newman

4. Seconded by: Mel Dighton

"Moved that, except during peak hours, (6:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.) the vehicles used on route 36 should be mini-buses."

DEFEATED.

Fifth Amendment

Proposed by: Mrs. Charlotte Clark
Seconded by: Mrs. Mary Boyce

"Moved that OC Transpo be requested to re-route 36 service to travel down Centrepark Drive,"

DEFEATED.

Fourth Amendment

Proposed by: Mrs. Marilyn Giekes
Seconded by: Mrs. Lydia Benne

"Moved that 36 bus service by-pass Westpark Drive and continue along Bearbrook Road instead. Also that a bus shelter be erected at the north intersection of Westpark Drive and Bearbrook Road."

Following a discussion of this amendment it was proposed by June Miller, seconded John Hollins and approved by the meeting that the items be voted on in two parts:

a) by-pass Westpark Drive.

DEFEATED.

b) erect bus shelter.

WITHDRAWN.

Third Amendment

Proposed by: Ed Hunt
Seconded by: Peter Bain

"Moved that the Municipality of Gloucester be requested to investigate means of effectively eliminating, or reducing to an acceptable level, shocks and vibration caused by buses; that the results of this investigation be provided to BCA for consideration; and that future use of collector streets as bus routes be dependant on a satisfactory outcome"

As a result of discussion, it was proposed by Mrs. Abramovitch and seconded by Gerry Theriault that the portion underlined (in these minutes only) be deleted. The deletion was approved and a vote taken on the remaining part of the amendment.

CARRIED.

Second Amendment

Proposed by: Ed Hunt
Seconded by: Peter Bain

"Moved that OC Transpo drivers should have explicit instructions that vehicle speeds are to be limited and operation of buses controlled to minimize noise and ensure safety and serenity of persons in the vicinity."

CARRIED.

First Amendment

Proposed by: Arnold Brandon
Seconded by: Mel Dighton

"That a study be undertaken of the cost and feasibility of a future collector bus for local pick-up to connect with a route 36 bus departing from a central point in the Hamlet."

During the discussion a subamendment was proposed by Peter Nelson and seconded by Mark Ulrich to the effect that the study include elimination of the express bus services circulating within the Hamlet. This sub-amendment was defeated and the amendment was then voted upon in its original form.

DEFEATED.

Supplementary Amendment

Prior to consideration of the main motion a further amendment was proposed, as follows:

Proposed by: Chris Bradshaw
Seconded by: John Hollins

"That the present 36 bus service be extended from St. Laurent to Alta Vista (RCMP) and return."

CARRIED.

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

Main Motion

Proposed by: Mrs. Joan Poulin
Seconded by: Miss Nancy McKay

"Whereas OC Transpo has discontinued the Tele-Transpo bus service due to its high cost, and whereas the existing route 36 bus service is providing a needed and efficient bus service for the residents of Blackburn Hamlet, be it moved that the Blackburn Community Association indicate to OC Transpo that they would like to see the route 36 bus service through Blackburn Hamlet remain as it presently exists."

CARRIED.

Additional Proposal

An additional proposal was put forward by Ian Webb and seconded by Mr. Riley to the effect that the 36 service should commence at Tauvette and Innes and proceed through the Hamlet to Shopper's City and St. Laurent and return via Shopper's City.

Mike Roche expressed concern about considering such a proposal without prior notice in the BANAR and suggested that it be given further study. The proposer and seconder agreed to withholding the proposal until a later date. Control of the meeting was then returned to George Bushell.

Item 5.

Other Business.

A motion by A.K. Finley, seconded by B. H. Warran to have all bus route streets cleared by Gloucester of snow to their summer width was introduced and later withdrawn when it was indicated by others that Township was already in the process of widening these streets.

The President thanked all those present for attending the meeting and showing such a strong and lively interest in this transportation issue. Furthermore he hoped that they would continue in the future to communicate and bring to the attention of the executive only concerns or ideas that they might have.

MOTION: Moved by John Hollins, seconded by Mike Roche that the meeting adjourn. Carried.

The President declared the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

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