

**The West Bend Community Association**  
**Minutes from November 20, 2013**  
Indian Road Crescent Public School

**Chair: Des McComish Vice Chair: Tim Noronha Secretary (Minutes) Jillian Paul**  
**In attendance:** Grahame Roberts, David Coffey, Janice LeBlanc, Joe Costa, David White, Ike Zimbel

**Welcome and introductions**

Special note from Des thanking Tim for all his hard work as past Chair.

**Review of Agenda**

Suggestion by Jillian to add to the discussion some kind of a winter get-together/party. Joe brought up the idea of a Skating Party (such as he has coordinated in Baird Park in the past). As a next step, Joe will talk to the City regarding the use of the facilities (washroom, etc). We need to look into whether we would need a permit for the event. Idea brought forth to have Gord Perks "host". A small team (Joe, Tim, Janice, Grahame, Jillian) volunteered to help out. Looking at sometime in January/February.

**Business arising from October Minutes**

Joe provided an update on some of the discussion items from the last meeting. He spoke with Councillor Perks' office regarding money for park development. The current budgeted amount (coming from Section 37 funds from developers) has been earmarked for Sorauren Park.

Cllr. Perks has been invited to the WBCA January meeting but would like an email to his office, providing him with a list of what we would be interested in hearing. Suggestions included overview of his role as Councillor, Section 37 money, Chelsea Park update (Action item to follow up regarding January availability and items to discuss: Des).

Janice confirmed that she has accepted to continue as Gardens Director.

Tim motioned to accept minutes. Joe seconded.

**Open Discussion:**

**Local Developments**

- No update on the Elephant (Action item: Tim to follow up as it's been 4 weeks)
- Duke has sold 80% of units.
- The Address is approaching completion. Some units already occupied.
- Development on Quebec (just north of Bloor) was to be 31 floors but now down to 26.

**Rail Development**

Noise wall – CAC finished all meetings (last was Oct. 21)

- Landscape architects presented all designs
- Split opinion on whether wall should be built or not
- Per Metrolinx – GO Transit plans to fully build wall by 2015 unless there is substantial evidence to suggest otherwise.
- On Oct. 31, Glen Murray (MPP, Minister of Transportation) met with JRA and suggested that he has spoken with Metrolinx and wants to hear more from them.
- Discussion regarding the trains resurfaced

### **Hazardous goods transport**

Joe spoke with the Office of Emergency Management to discuss emergency plans in our area. James Kilgour talks to communities about the risks and would be willing to present to us (Action item: Des to schedule for future agenda).

### **Traffic issues**

The supercentre (Keele and St. Clair) creating traffic and thus increased speed in our area.

### **Junction Commons Project**

Grant for feasibility study has been approved (\$56,000 from Trillium Foundation). Town Hall Monday November 25, 7pm.

### **Standing Items:**

**Treasury Report** - An update that \$1,038 in bank as of October 30<sup>th</sup>. Need to ensure that Joe, Tim and Des display as signing officers on BMO's teller screen.

**Gardens** – Went out again to clean up Railside Garden. The hose in Edna Garden needs to be taken care of for the winter (Action item: Janice? Laticia?).

**Social** – Event scheduled for November 29<sup>th</sup> at the Magic Oven (7pm). (Action item: Des and Grahame to send reminder to mailing list).

**Membership & Communication** – WBCA shared a booth with the Junction Residents Association at the Farmers Market on Nov. 2. Several new people signed up for the mailing list (~15) with many from the Heintzman Building. Need to update list of membership (and paid members) (Action item: Grahame). Des and Grahame to work on mailing list, Tim to help.

A new, draft flyer was presented by Grahame. The flyer included a newly designed logo. There was a discussion about keeping the old logo as it has some presence in the community. Suggestion to include a QR code in the flyer.

**Parks** – Baird & Chelsea Parks haven't been updated in several years (to be discussed with Cllr. Perks).

**Move to adjourn at 9pm**