

## Queenswood Heights Community Association

**Minutes of the meeting held 7:30 p.m., September 7, 2005**, at the Queenswood Heights Community Centre

Present: John Morgan; Denise Skellington; Bob Monette; Al Tweddle; Pete Weston; Christine Tetrault; Jeanine Mader; Helen Tweddle; Steve Blais, Suzanne Sanford; Louise Lapensée; guests from pioc Rick Snell and John McCauley

Regrets: Coun Herb Kreling; Pete McClure; Sue Guarda; Su Patten; Russ Benner;

1. Approval of Agenda.

Additions: 7. Other Business

(a): Traffic lights

(b) Stop/Yield signs

Agenda approved as amended

2. Approval of June 2005 Minutes.

Confirmed changes sent out by email re words from Tracey Wisemar.

Item 5 (c): Odawa **Camps** ....

Moved D Skellington, seconded J Mader; Minutes approved as amended.

3. Treasurer's Report

See Handout, proposed Budget.

Se handout re Family Fun Day (FFD): net, cost us \$660, very good. There is a new category for this event in proposed Budget.

No expenses over summer; will be some in Fall.

J Morgan: will fine-tune Budget, ready for Newsliner. Talked to Coun Kreling re FFD, with idea of extending it into the evening with garage bands. Will need to police, re alcohol use. Will we need to pay for extra policing? Needs to be discussed.

Moved C Tetrault, seconded A Tweddle ; Report approved.

6. Items arising from Previous Minutes

(a) Family Fun Day

Re donors: J Morgan moved allowing their ads on website for one year. Moved: P Weston, seconded J Mader; approved.

(b) History Book. Ongoing

(c) AGM will be October 19<sup>th</sup> not 5<sup>th</sup>

7. Other Business

(a) Traffic Lights at Tenth Line/Des Epinettes

P Weston: Advanced Green does not always work; L Lapensée will advise Coun Kreling's office.

(b) J Mader: intersection on Innes next to McDonald's: No Yield or Stop signs; very unsafe intersection. L Lapensée will ask Coun Kreling to review traffic patterns at that intersection. - PLS REVISE L LAPENSEE WILL CHECK WITH STAFF - THIS AREA IS IN ROB'S WARD.

Also, P Weston: re City Budget: he has seen City officials eg Police, using SUV's. These are gas-guzzlers. Why are they using them? Has seen five in the east end. Poor use of

tax money. He feels there should be a Review of such expenses.

5. Timed Item

J Morgan introduced Rick Snell and John McCauley from the Petrie Island Outdoors Club (pioc).

See Handout. Since July 7<sup>th</sup> they have been having Thursday evening Paddles, approx 24 people. Now they're on Sundays. There are a few boat rentals. Since it's so popular it's now registered as a non-profit volunteer-run club with a Board of Directors etc. Up to now it's been organised using emails and word of mouth; currently over 110 email addresses. From September 10 they will offer paid annual memberships - see website, [www.pioc.ca](http://www.pioc.ca). They wish to work co-operatively with other community groups eg FOPI. Self-propelled boats only - canoes, kayaks. They have been using the east beach. Can also provide activities to non-members at a higher rate. Is social too. Rental fees are \$10 per boat including life preserver. Must be over 18 or accompanied by an adult. In winter hope to offer XC-skiing. Asking us for moral support; guidance; input. NB: QHCA defers to FOPI.

A Tweddle: cottage on PI has been condemned. Looking into fixing it. QHCA has some things stored there. Looking into a governing body for PI including City, FOPI, pioc, Sonshine Families etc. The building (canteen, washroom) is being re-studied.

Much discussion re the fact that Petrie Island is a public park so should be controlled by the public with community involvement.

8. Committee Reports

d. Recreation

Spray Pool: money from Legacy Fund; there was no action by early Spring so he got an updated quote. Turns out it was never in the Work Plan for the year so it never got done. Need to iron out final details. Should be done next Spring. Will have to re-organise slightly for FFD.

Kiwanis Playground: going ahead but with reduced funding. Must be a Canadian firm not US one.

a. Newsliner.

Next deadline: 16<sup>th</sup> September. Will go to all homes. Membership: still 62 streets with no canvassers. J Mader may ask Scouts and Guides at Registration. S Blais can handle many streets, with help from others. Really need to have input from younger residents.

b. Guides and c. Scouts

Registration is on 16<sup>th</sup> September, 6.30 - 8.30 pm at OLW.

g. Neighbourhood Watch. See handout

Date	B&E	Theft/Lost & Found	Vandalism	Auto	Assault
31 Aug 2005	26	n/a	96	7	n/a
31 Aug 2004	11	n/a	37	16	n/a

Still not much interest in NW in QH. Increase in crime stats but not an epidemic - yet. He passed around printout from Police website; much of it is very vague.

B Monette: BBQ for Cumberland Home Support was very successful. Team Ottawa-Orleans still trying to get Family team in place.

L Lapensée: Innes Road on schedule; traffic lights at Prestwick.

C Tetrault: still problems re dumping at start of nature trails at Hoylake.

The meeting was adjourned at 9.05 pm.

Next meeting October 19, 2005