

MASSEY VICTORY HEIGHTS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

September 24, 2009 - 7:00 pm
Glenbrooke Middle School

ATTENDANCE INDICATED BY ✓

Bill Radbourne, President	Lynn Radbourne, Secretary
✓ Dennis Paulley, Vice-President, Chair	Robert Jones, Director
✓ Terry Tomcko, Director/Web Master (recorder)	✓ Larry Hill, Director
✓ Nelson Geddes, Director	✓ Lorraine Geddes
✓ Judy Gowen, Treasurer	✓ Bob Gowen, Director
Nancy Wark, Director	Heather Santaga, Director
✓ Sanda Turner	✓ Errol Fraser
✓ Kathleen Stevens, City of New Westminster Planning Division	

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by the Chair.

1.0 MINUTES:

1.1 Minutes of the June 25th, 2009 meeting approved as circulated

2.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

2.1 None

3.0 TREASURERS REPORT: Judy Gowen

3.1 The Treasurer reported:

- Picnic cost \$708.43
- Income from Donations & Registrations \$389.95
- Balance in account is \$658.40

4.0 REPORTS:

4.1 Traffic – Bob Gowen

- Application for 2010 membership is due; As Nelson has attended past meeting, he was recommended as our representative for next year. Bob Gowen is stepping down. Bill and Nelson need to fill out the form and return to City Hall
- Federal Government funding of \$25 million has been received for the Water Front Park
- Federal Funding of \$8 million has been received for Road improvements for the city.
- Safer Walk to School Program – Feds are funding part of the staffing costs

- Richmond Street Calming – McBride to Eight St, parking will only be allowed on one side as well as moving the centre line to allow for a 3.3 metre land width.
- The questions was raised as to who represents the residence of the Victoria Hill community as they have issues. It was voiced they do not adjoin our association boundaries and should start up their own association.

5.0 OLD BUSINESS:

5.1 Neighbourhood Block Picnic

- It was felt the Neighbourhood Block Picnic was a big success.
- It was recommended that the secretary send out thank-you notes to the neighbours in the area who helped out with Power, water etc as we have done in the past.
- Thank-you to Terry for manning the Grill. He cooked up 13 dozen hotdogs
- Consideration for next year, bottle water did better than the pop.
- Suggestions for next year, we should bring back the Police Dog, Popcorn Machine and Fire Department.
- It was noted the fire truck was a big drawn when it showed up, as was the Balloon Man. Perhaps we should start earlier next year.
- Games for the kids were well attended
- A big thank-you to all the volunteers and executive for a job well done

5.2 Traffic Calming

- Nelson presented a diagram for the proposal to the Braid & Garfield intersection. This will be brought to the local residents' – will likely be passed and improvements made.
- The trees and Braid and Eight St are blocking view. It was suggested resident call city engineering to have them look into this as they are city trees.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Pat Macpherson of 557 Garfield was present to get assistance from the association with regards to damaged suffered the rock walls on her property by the developer of the properties next door. The builder has acknowledged the damage but she is having a difficult time getting the walls repaired. Bill Radbourne (our President) is to write a letter to the City and Builder. It was also suggested to Pat she consider a lien on the house next door. She needs to act before the house is sold and the builder disappears.

6.2 We need a representative for Traffic. It was recommended Nelson be our representative. Nominated By Judy Gowen, Second by Larry Hill. President (Bill) to follow up with Nelson and submit forms to City Hall

6.3 Meeting and Event Dates were set for next year as follows:

- January 28th, 2010 AGM
- February 25th, 2010 regular meeting
- April 29th, 2010 regular meeting

- June 24th, 2010 regular meeting
- September 30th, 2010 regular meeting
- November 25th, 2010 regular meeting
- Garage Sale May 1st, 2010
- Neighbourhood Family Picnic September 12th, 2010

6.4 Consideration must be made for the location of the meetings for next year as the school board will begin to charge \$30.00 for the use of the room beginning next year. They are trying to be consistent throughout the area. If the room is going to cost us no matter where we meet, it was suggested we look into the cost at Howie as it is within our association boundaries.

6.5 We need to look for a new Treasurer for the association as Judy and Bob have moved to their new home in White Rock.

6.6 It was recommended we start to consider the promotion of our meetings as attendance is steadily falling. Everyone was asked to think about this and bring your suggestions to the next meeting. Some brainstorming ideas presented were:

- Membership Drive – letting residence know what the purpose of the association is and how it can work for them.
- Corporate Sponsors are required/. We have not approached them since the initial visit Larry Hill made two years ago
- Communication and Marketing Strategy if we intend to go on.
- Schedule of events for the year.

7.0 COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

7.1 Sanda Turner advised that October 3rd was Family Day at Royal Centre and was sponsored by the city.

8.0 NEXT MEETING:

8.1 Next Association meeting November 26th, 2009 at 7:00 pm at Glenbrooke Middle School

9.0 ADJOURNMENT:

9.1 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm