

**Glebe Community Association  
Draft Minutes of the Board Meeting  
Tuesday, June 26, 2007**

Present: Bob Brocklebank, Virginia Carver, Andreia Couto, June Creelman, John Crump, Cindy Delage, Jeff Froggett, Leslie Fulton, Rochelle Handelman, Inez Kettles, John Leaning, Ian McKercher, Carol McLeod, Joyce McMahan, Dale Miller, Frank Oakes, Neil Pearson, Roger Short, John Smart, Janet Sutherland, Caroline Vanneste, John Vincent, Barbara Wysocka

Other: Clive Doucet, Louis Helbig,

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

Additions to the agenda include: Communications, Underground Sound, Dancing in the Streets, Humphries, Maintenance on Third Avenue, and Planters at Fifth Avenue.

**2. Approval of the Minutes**

**MOTION:** (Creelman/Delage) that the minutes of May 22, 2007, be adopted.  
**Carried.**

**3. President's Report – Bob Brocklebank**

All Candidates Meeting: Tentatively scheduled for September 24, this meeting will likely be split into two: one part of the meeting to discuss the referendum vote, and the other for the all candidates debate.

Lansdowne Park: It appears nothing has yet been decided at the City level. The fall would be a good time for the GCA to start talking about this issue, sometime after the all candidates meeting.

City of Ottawa Strategic Direction: Document is on the City website.

City Planning and Environment Committee: Debate on whether or not a community design plan is part of the Official Plan or just a document.

Graffiti: There is a misunderstanding between City and property owners. A new bylaw is expected January 1; hopefully with an education campaign.

**4. Councillor's Report – Clive Doucet**

Councillor Doucet spoke briefly about the Westboro Community Design Plan and where it fits within the official plan. He also spoke about the Transportation Task Force and other transportation issues at council.

Planters: There is no continuing responsibility. *Virginia Carver will call Councillor Doucet at his office.*

## **5. Committee Reports**

### **a) Environment/Anti Litter – Virginia Carver**

There were about 12 people at last week's training session for the tree inventory. Focus was split between how to identify trees and how to judge the size. There is some thinking about starting with a pilot project for this year, allowing more time to gather additional volunteers. Discussion on communications for the project is needed.

Garbage issues have been deferred to the fall.

The planters at Fifth Avenue are not in good shape. There is a problem getting all the planters in the Glebe looked after. Not just repairs to the boxes, but volunteers to look after them. *Virginia will speak to Judith (garden angels).*

### **b) Underground Sound – Leslie Fulton**

Over \$40,000 has been raised over the past 2 years from the 11 concerts. Planning for new programming will start soon.

### **c) Communications – Leslie Fulton**

As new director of communications, Leslie will be working on developing an e-mail list. *Please send her e-mail addresses for anyone you think might be interested in GCA notices.* The Glebe Report and the GCA's new web page will also feature as key communication tools. Leslie will also be working to ensure consistent messaging so all members of the Board deliver the same message.

### **d) Membership – Bob Brocklebank**

Packages are still coming in. A membership advisory group will be meeting to provide Barbara the opportunity to tap into past membership campaign experiences.

### **e) Planning Committee**

Zoning By-Law: responses from GCA to/from the City continue.

Demolitions: There have been three demolitions with new construction. A process of advising neighbors and representation by the GCA Planning Committee exists. As a general rule, they should also advise the area rep. Developers continue to push the envelope. On occasion city trees have been destroyed in the process and the committee will see if this can be addressed in the by-laws. Clive Doucet advised that there is a new Chair for the Committee of Adjustments and he is posing a question to developers why can't they just obey the law. Clive added he would be happy to provide a letter of support or would consider attending CofA meetings if requested.

**MOTION:** (Creelman/Vanneste) that the GCA Board, over the summer, supports the Planning Committee in opposing projects which contravene the by-law.

**Carried.**

Humphries: A July 1<sup>st</sup> patio party with live music has been advertised. This patio came about without public consultation and John Smart raised this July 1<sup>st</sup> event as he thought live entertainment was not allowed on Bank Street. It sets a precedent and he questioned if the GCA had a position. Caroline Vanneste volunteered to stop by and talk to the owner, advising him of the by-law and that concern had been brought to the attention of the GCA.

#### **f) GNAG**

It was reported that \$10,000 remains in the renovation fund: needs include a kiln, sound system for the dance studio, and sound improvement in Scotton Hall. Paul O'Donnell was hired as the Director of Programming.

#### **g) Great Glebe Garage Sale – Janet Sutherland**

Donations to the Food Bank continue to drop:

- 2007 - \$6,000
- 2006 - \$8,2000 (includes \$2,200 from Glebe Business Group)
- 2004 - \$12,000 (with no GBG involvement).

Challenges and questions to discuss for next year include: liability, sale registration to increase donations, Citizen insert or Canada Post drop, shortage of volunteers, and is the sale getting smaller. Consideration will be given to putting together a consultative group to help Janet address these questions.

#### **6. Dancing in the Streets – June Creelman**

The date is set for August 18, and Bank Street will be closed from Patterson to Fifth avenues. There will be some bus re-routing. Great entertainment is planned and the event will no doubt generate the desired publicity for the Regional Cancer Centre.

#### **7. Other Business**

*Lane Maintenance:* John Smart wondered if people were having difficulty with lane maintenance.

*Street Re-construction:* Third Avenue will not be done this year. Work will be on Fourth, Fifth and Holmwood avenues.

#### **8. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** (Short/McMahon) that the meeting be adjourned at 9:45 p.m. **Carried.**