

**Glebe Community Association  
Minutes of the Board Meeting  
Tuesday, September 22, 2009**

**Present:**

*Board Members:* June Creelman, (Acting Chair), Martha Bowers (Secretary), Jill Adams, Joan Bard Miller, Karen Campbell, Virginia Carver, Catherine Caule, Jim Gauvreau, Louise Green, Vaughn Guy, Teena Hendelman, Carol MacLeod, Dale Miller, Janet Sutherland, Barbara Wysocka  
*Others:* Desmond Devoy, Walter Hendelman, Suzanne Landis, Catherine Lindquist, Ian McKercher, Michael Tiger

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was adopted.

**2. Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of June 23 were adopted. **Moved**, Barbara Wysocka, **Seconded**, Janet Sutherland

**3. President's Report**

In the absence of the president, no report was provided but it was noted that Caroline has been liaising with the city and the NCC on Lansdowne Park and other issues.

Attendees introduced themselves.

A resident has been recruited for a Board position.

**Motion:** The GCA accepts the resignation of Robin Ambrose and nominates Catherine Caule as Chair of the Social Services Committee for the 2009-10 Board. **Moved**, Carol MacLeod, **Seconded**, Barbara Wysocka **Carried**

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

- In recognition of Car Free Day, a bike-share initiative was launched today at Carleton University, supported by the Dutch embassy.
- The Councillor stated that he is not asking the GCA to take any position on Lansdowne Park but he provided some information on the issue. A training session for volunteers at the consultations will be held on Thursday, Sept. 24 at Southminster church.

**Lansdowne Park - June Creelman**

- For the discussion, June passed the chair to Janet Sutherland.
- June provided background and timelines on the issue, explaining that the Friends of Lansdowne Park is separate from the GCA in order to deal with the proposal, which is complicated, huge and contradictory.
- There will be six consultations within a week as well as an online forum starting next week. City staff will prepare a report for presentation to Council in early November.
- The GCA had written to the NCC about its possible involvement with the OSEG proposal and was surprised when it was revealed that the NCC is a partner. We have asked for clarification of this.
- We have also written to Parks Canada for information on the Aberdeen Building as a national historic site and the Rideau Canal's UNESCO designation.
- We met with the city's Auditor General yesterday. We will finally have a meeting this Thursday with the city manager.

- An important point to note is that the city directed OSEG to consult with stakeholders, but they did not contact the GCA.
- Several questions were raised about the status of Sylvia Holden Park in the proposal. This is to be clarified.
- A discussion ensued about whether the GCA should sponsor an information meeting to provide more details and address other issues. Questions were raised if it should be co-sponsored with the Ottawa East and/or Ottawa South community associations.

**Motion:** The GCA agrees with the proposal for the Lansdowne Committee to organize an information meeting for the Glebe to discuss the impact of the Lansdowne Live proposal on our community. **Moved,** June Creelman, **Seconded,** Catherine Caule

- The following three motions were passed:

**Motion:** The GCA opposes any annexation of Sylvia Holden Park (including the ball fields, wading pool and dog runs) as any part of the Lansdowne Partnership proposal. **Moved,** Teena Hendelman, **Seconded,** Carol MacLeod

**Motion:** The GCA calls on the provincial government to publicly state that there will be no provincial funding for the sole-sourced Lansdowne proposal, and that henceforth a plan be developed through a competitive process. **Moved,** June Creelman, **Seconded,** Barbara Wysocka

**Motion:** The GCA expresses dissatisfaction with the short public consultation period that has been allowed. **Moved,** Virginia Carver, **Seconded,** Teena Hendelman

## 5. GNAG – Karen Campbell

- The AGM will be held on Sept. 23. There will be a new chair and vice-chair.
- An assessment has determined that the space being considered is not suitable for showers.
- The problem with the basement floors has not been resolved.

### Education

- There are serious accommodation issues at First Avenue and Hopewell public schools.
- The Lansdowne proposal, particularly increased housing, will have implications for the local schools. There don't appear to be benefits for the schools with the loss of green space and sports facilities. School councils should write to city councillors and the mayor.

## 6. BIA - Catherine Lindquist

- The city's Planning and Environment Committee will study the issue of burying overhead wires and the possibility of cost-sharing with utility companies and others.
- The BIA has registered objections to the proposal for integrated street furniture, apart from the recycling bins. Some advertising on transit shelters and information kiosks would be acceptable.
- The cause of the sink hole on Bank St. at Third Avenue is being investigated.
- There will be programming for the Great Glebe Pumpkin Patch during the week before Halloween.
- The BIA has its campaign to address the Lansdowne project. It had a market research survey carried out on who comes to the Glebe to shop and why.

## 7. Committee Reports

**Membership** - no report

**Environment** - Virginia Carver

- Planning is underway for Envirofair in November, including obtaining sponsors and recruiting volunteers.
- The tree survey is underway, although there have been some problems with the GPS technology.

- There was enhanced surveillance on graffiti during July.

**Planning and Traffic** - no reports

**Heritage** - Joan Bard Miller

There has been no news on the heritage designation for the district around Central Park East. Two of 13 heritage buildings in the Glebe are located at Lansdowne Park. Parks Canada and the Ontario Heritage Trust are obligated to comment on the proposal.

**Great Glebe Garage Sale** - Janet Sutherland

- The Food Bank has received \$12,600 and was grateful for being allowed to locate at the Glebe Community Centre.
- Ideas for next year's 25th anniversary are welcome.

**Social Services** - Catherine Caule

- Catherine asked for volunteers for the committee.
- She suggested a name change to Health and Social Services. This will come forward at the October meeting for a vote.

**Tenants** - Jill Adams

- Jill noted that there doesn't seem to be any affordable housing in the Lansdowne proposal. The city has a policy on this which must be respected.

**8. Other Business**

Two motions were circulated by email to members on July 30 and carried.

**Motion:** The GCA nominates Vaughn Guy as 6A Area Rep for the 2009-2010 Board.

**Motion:** The GCA authorizes an expenditure of up to \$500 for the purpose of purchasing a laptop.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:45.