

West Wellington Community Association Record of Discussion, Sept 11, 2007

Chaired by: Rob Bowman, President

In Attendance: Dave Haskins (Webmaster), John Sutton, Peter Duschenes (Treasurer), Christine Rowsell, Jason Thomson, Gerry Mathews, Peter Bleyer (Business Association liaison)

Regrets: Anne-Marie Laurin (Communications), Ralph Wiesbrock, Chris Duschenes (VP), Cathy Bennett (Secretary)

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1. Review & Approval of Minutes	Minutes being finalized and approval of minutes to delayed. Approval of minutes will be done via email and then posted on website once reviewed by the Board. For the June & July meetings.	Christine to type and send minutes out to Board for approval via e-mail.
2. 32 Granville Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local resident has contacted the community association with concerns that one of the oldest homes in West Wellington could be demolished. Resident wishes to get 32 Granville identified as a heritage designation. • A letter was sent to deputy city manager. • Discussion surrounded what the expectation of involvement from the community association was. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob to ask resident if city has replied to email. • Rob to investigate how much work it is to request a 60 day demolition delay. It very intensive Rob to ask resident to provide assistance on the application.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave motioned to apply for 60 day delay, seconded by Peter, passed by all. 	
3.NPI/CDP/Road Reconstruction Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meetings to be held September 27th, Oct 17th, Nov 7th and Nov 28th. Topics to be discussed at the upcoming meetings include Parkdale Market, Landscape integration, Public Infrastructure. • Centennial Photo Contest hosted by the Hintonberg Community Association (HCA). Categories include Wellington at work, Wellington at play, Wellington architecture. HCA has confirmed the WWCA as a partner. WWCA to advertise contest on website, but not asked to make any financial icia contribution to the event. 	<p>Rob to attend meetings.</p> <p>Rob to return to Board in the event that HCA asks WWCA for any financial commitment toward the event..</p>
4. City Hall Planning Primer	<p>Sept 15th or Sept 24th from 8:30am to noon at Ben Franklin Place 101 Centrepointe Drive. Limit to 75 attendees. Need to register if you wish to participate at intro@ottawa.ca</p> <p>Topics include building code, planning applications etc.</p>	Rob will attend on behalf of WWCA.
5. All Candidates Forum for Provincial Election	Sunday, Sept 23 rd from 7 to 9:30 pm at Churchill Seniors Centre (345 Richmond Road)	Volunteers for night: Christine, Peter, Dave & Jason to arrive by 6:15 pm. Rob to check to see if Christopher is available

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBC Host Rita Celli • Organized by Hampton Iona Community Group and the WWCA with sponsors Westboro Beach Community Association and Fisher Park Recreation Council. 	to be at WWCA table.
6. Membership Drive letter	Letter to be sent to WWCA distribution list. Letter should include what WWCA has done in the past year, where WWCA hopes to go and to also help encourage more people to join as members of the WWCA.	John & Gerry to write letter and circulate draft with input from Rob and other Board members.
7. Federation of Community Associations (FCA) Update	<p>Last meeting held June 7th. Discussion at last meeting surrounded how much involvement each community association would have, a subcommittee on property tax reform was created and there was also the transportation policy.</p> <p>John requested a back up in case he could not make it to the meetings.</p>	Jason volunteered to be John's backup.
8. City Centre Coalition (CCC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CCC is a single coordinated forum to discuss transportation issues for multiple communities, such as the Glebe, Dows Lake, Ottawa South, Hintonburg etc. • Meetings held once a month • CCC provided a letter to city in response to the city's major 	<p>WWCA board agreed that WWCA should ask to be on the distribution list 1st then based upon the activity and topics decided if the WWCA should participate.</p> <p>Rob to forward CCC emails to members of board for future discussion in 6 months.</p>

	<p>transportation plan. The letter emphasized the importance focusing on public transit rather than finding solutions for cars.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWCA has been asked if they want to participate 	
9. Dialogue on Sustainable Neighbourhoods	<p>Thurs, Oct 18th Public Lecture & Sat, Oct 20th Public Forum both at Dominion Chalmers Church.</p> <p>For info: www.imagineottawa.ca</p>	Dave to add link to WWCA webpage.
10. Notices of Variance Application	<p>Carling Avenue to increase parking Keyworth, premiere and Daniel Avenue. Asking to split into 2 parcels of land.</p>	Board did not consider that this application warranted WWCA feedback but would pass it on to Christopher (Planning Committee) to review and email Board if he felt response was required.
11. OCSB Policy Staff Recommendation: Devonshire, Elmdale & Nepean (“Prohibitive to Repair)	<p>Background: A recent June 18 2007 memo from OCDSB Business Services staff asking that Trustees may want to consider declaring a list of schools as prohibitive to repair. This list included Elmdale, Devonshire and Nepean schools. The staff also referred to the revenue opportunities that such declarations may provide the Board.</p> <p>The memo also presented the existing growth and the need to build schools in the suburbs. The WWCA’s concern may be that the OCDSB could let the above noted schools continue to deteriorate until a sale</p>	<p>Members are to read article that Rob and Anne Marie wrote regarding OCDSB and the recent events re. Kitchissippi schools and provide feedback by Thursday, September 13th, 2007</p> <p>Once finalized, the article will be sent to local community papers as the WWCA agreed that it was an important issue that residents should be aware of.</p> <p>Rob will raise this question at the Provincial All Candidates meeting.</p>

	<p>of these properties becomes inevitable or a closure process is initiated.</p> <p>The WWCA discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What was school board trustee's position regarding this? Rob informed the Board that in response to query from WWCA, Jennifer Mackenzie stated in an email to WWCA that it is a shame if Kitchissippi schools are passed over for infrastructure renewal funding. She is very aware of the possibility of school closures and the need for these schools to remain open in our community. She was actually the only trustee to attend a city council meeting where the use of surplus schools by the City was discussed. • Rob handed out a draft of a potential press release to be issued by the WWCA on this issue for Board review and approval . 	
12. Fall meeting	Tuesday, October 9 th , 2007 8 to 9:30 pm	