

Wisteria Park Community Association

November 11, 2014

Hunt Club-Riverside Park Community Centre

Minutes

Present: Genevieve Denis (Chair), Steve Long (Vice Chair), Leon Ip (Treasurer), Bob Andrews (Director), Sylvia Bakker (Secretary)

1. Gen opened the meeting at 7:50 p.m.
2. Approval of the Agenda – Gen moved, seconded by Leon to approve the agenda with additions.
3. Approval of the Minutes – Gen moved, seconded by Steve to approve the minutes of the Oct. 7th meeting.
4. Constitution and By-laws – Gen went over a draft constitution she had amended from another association. Moved by Sylvia, seconded by Gen to approve the constitution. **ACTION ITEM** – Gen will send constitution to the city to ensure they are ok with it before registering it with the city.
5. Communication Ground Rules – Gen went over the ground rules.
- 6 Financial Institutions – Leon has been investigating where to get an account. Fees range from \$1.95 to \$4.95/month. **ACTION ITEM** – Leon will look into what difference it makes with a bank if we are incorporated or not.

Discussion on whether or not to incorporate ensued. **ACTION ITEM** – Gen will ask the city for a list of pros/cons of incorporation and whether or not the city pays a portion of it.
7. Update on puddle rink – Steve will remain in contact with the city. The bidding process was delayed and will now not close until mid-November.
8. Website – was deferred to next meeting.
9. Membership drive/fee – Discussion ensued as to whether or not \$10 is a nominal fee for a family to pay each year; it was also suggested that sponsorship could be another way to raise money, ie sponsoring our newsletter, the website. It was decided our next newsletter should include a “rink announcement” along with a message from Councillor Diane Deans.

10. Signature Events – some suggestions included:

- a BBQ -- could charge for hotdogs and raise money that way also
- rink opening -- perhaps Tim Horton's would provide hot chocolate and timbits as a sponsor?
- Garage sale -- perhaps have our own (the association's) table during the garage sale, ie a table of things people want to get rid of but don't want to have a sale, another way to raise funds. Will discuss these more in future.

11. Street safety – Discussed the problem of speed on the streets, also as to what the limit is, 40 km/h or 50 km/h? **ACTION ITEM** – Gen will follow up with the city on this. Could also be an item for our next newsletter.

12. Service exchange (dog walking, baby sitting, snow removal, etc) – Suggested this item could be another topic for our next newsletter. Could also possibly work on the website. People sign up to offer services via the site.

13. Other business – Swamp clean up: Steve to organize a clean up day

It was suggested that all members come to the next meeting with a list of issues and we use the meeting to prioritize which ones the association should tackle first.

Moved by Gen, seconded by Sylvia to adjourn the meeting at 9 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, Dec. 9, 7:45 p.m.