

**WOODVALE COMMUNITY LEAGUE  
EXECUTIVE MEETING  
AUGUST 21, 2007**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cheryl Emmerling, Dennis Emmerling, Bruce Petterson, Angela Schneider, Jacquie Breitkeritz, Neal Gray, Christina Gray, Brad Park, Barry Headrick, Alice Park, Mark Klotz, Paul Chiasson, Marney Lazar, Shawna Middleton

**MEMBERS AT LARGE:** Don Patterson, Dave Reid, Dianne Reid, Debra Birgenean, Jack Carriere, Dave Eberhardt, Steve Bradshaw, Mabel Bradshaw, Sheryl Eberhardt, Linda Shoemaker, Martin Winter, Melissa Forberg, Leann Proctor, Nel Anderson, Cindy Chiasson, Anand Sharma

**GUESTS:** Jay Row

Meeting called to order by Alice Park at 7:33pm.

**MOTION:**

To accept the minutes from the last meeting of June 19, 2007

Moved by: Jackie Breitkeritz

Seconded by: Brad Park

Carried.

**REPORTS:**

Treasurer: Barry Headrick

Barry reported that he met with the auditor, there were no problems. Barry will provide the board with a copy of the report at the next meeting. At the fourth month of the fiscal year we have a net income of \$54 881, Barry reported this as information only. All the accounting software and hardware are being replaced in January during the slow period, but if needed it will be done earlier. All DOS programs will be upgraded to Quick Books, total cost will be about \$5000.

Community Services: Jay Row

Jay reported that the summer programs were going well until last week when the Hillview green shack was burnt almost to the ground. The shack has been removed and the workers are finishing out the summer at the Greenview shack. Community services will return the activity center keys to Brad one the green shack is finished. The city will pay for the pump station repair at the golf course. There will be a first time homebuyers meeting tentatively on September 26<sup>th</sup> to go over the development of the site, mainly the impact of the basketball court and gazebo. Jay said the summer programs were a hit.

MCARFA/EFCL: Neal Gray

MCARFA is on summer break and EFCL will be having their annual general meeting at our facility.

Soccer: Marney Lazar

Indoor registration is on August 29<sup>th</sup>, she mentioned that there will be no pre-printed forms. Marney also said that they are having a hard time getting volunteers, so they will be starting a \$75 cheque deposit program. Parents will have to volunteer in various capacities to work off the \$75, and if they don't the cheque will be cashed.

Hall Operations: Alice Park

Margret is reporting staff shortages, but the clubhouse is doing well despite the slow start to the season.

Mill Woods Presidents' Council: Christina Gray

Nothing to report.

Greenview School : Shawna Middleton

Nothing to report.

Membership Sales: Cheryl Emmerling

The membership drive is starting up and we still need volunteers, they can contact Cheryl. Memberships will be sold at hockey and indoor soccer registrations.

Canada Day: Dennis Emmerling

Dennis reported that this last Canada Day was successful. Unfortunately, volunteers,, money and sponsorship was down.

Reimbursements: Jacquie Breitz

Everything is going well.

Newsletter: Celeste Nicholson

Celeste was not present, but some ongoing mistakes in the newsletter were discussed.

Activity Center: Brad Park

Brad will make contact with the new playschool president Gail Hetman. Marney asked to use the skating rink for soccer tryouts, but the rink will be torn down soon to make way for the new one.

66<sup>th</sup> Street Sign: Paul Chiasson

Nothing to report.

Website: Christina Gray

The changes indicated in the last meeting went up. Christina will be away in September

so if anything is needing to go on the website it needs to get to her now. She will work on the problem that some people are having downloading the minutes.

Casino: Angela Schneider

Woodvale's next casino will be in April, May or June, the draw will be in November. If anyone wants to volunteer, contact Angela. There is a \$100/shift reimbursement.

Community Affairs: Mark Klotz

Nothing to report.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND PRESIDENTS REPORT:**

Alice received correspondence on bully busting for parents. She said that the bylaws will be updated, a committee was formed including; Jackie, Barry, Cheryl, Alice, Christina and Mark.

**BUSINESS ARISING:**

First Time Home Buyers Program: Alice Park

Due to the response at the public forum and the petition submitted to the Board. Alice had forwarded the petition along to the City with correspondence. Alice handed out the response letter from the City and read it aloud. Alice stated that she just came in as the new president not to fight the first time homebuyers but to give the past president a break. Also stated that the previous board was thinking in the best interests of the community and will continue to work with the City on this project. That we should look forward, not back and deal with the situation the best we can. Alice commented that we were not picked because we volunteered, it was because our site had everything the City needed in a site. She said that we did want to be at the beginning of the project, just not an initial pilot.

Mark stated that we should focus on the future and that the past is done and a separate action committee could explore any avenues, and then engage as a community and move forward. Mark and Bruce represent Board and residents in this issue and setup a committee and go forward united and all ideas are welcome so that in the end we do the right thing.

**MOTION:**

To establish a committee on Board and community members to work with the City to work out the best avenue in regards to being a pilot site for the best interests of Woodvale.

Moved by: Mark Klotz

Seconded by: Marney Lazar

Discussion over the motion went on, the main points discussed were;

- traffic issues for the children crossing 38<sup>th</sup> avenue to school
- Alice asked Terry Loat if being removed from the pilot was possible, he said that it was not possible
- City did not consult residents, Alice commented that the City should have done this
- the Board should not participate in trying to get out of the pilot, should be a community committee not a sanctioned board committee
- that the majority of residents are not opposed to the development due to the turnout at the public forum, possibly poll the residents to get a good representative of the opinion of Woodvale residents
- Bruce commented that for the public forum, he and Mark put out 2882 flyers and roughly 150 showed up that that is a good indication of the opposition, more people would have shown up if the opposition was greater
- participating in the pilot will give Woodvale the best input in the development of the site, there will be no say if we are not a pilot
- since the Board already supports the project, it would be a conflict if the Board participates in the committee to fight it, keep it separate
- in the past the Board has gone against the wishes of the residents when the golf course was built, and that was quite successful
- the letter that Ran wrote to the City in favour of the project did not sway the decision more toward our site
- has this type of project been done elsewhere before? No it has not, other cities are waiting to see how it turns out
- concerns that once the pilot is built that the City scraps the project and that Woodvale is stuck with the development with no guidelines and it could turn into an eyesore
- the City will begin consultations with current committee regarding the development of the site starting in September, there will be four meetings
- that the project will stay in the building envelope allowed
- the First Mill Woods United Church are trying to organize a meeting in September regarding the issue, if interested please contact Cathy at 463-7750

In favour: none  
Opposed: all  
Defeated

**MOTION:**

That a committee consisting of Board members and Woodvale residents be established to determine the future direction that we will move forward in regards to the first time home buyers program pilot. Supporting the position of the majority of Woodvale residents and if the pilot program moves forward that the committee will work cooperatively with the city to maximize the benefits for Woodvale.

Moved by: Mark Klotz

Seconded by: Jacquie Breitreitz  
In favour: five  
Opposed: 4  
Abstention: 2  
Motion carried

Bruce and Mark will form the committee, and all Woodvale residents are invited to participate. Paul said that the committee has to get started right away so that polling can be done before the end of September, and that they have a very clear yes or no before proceeding. Mark submitted the names of people on the committee. Alice will approve a budget when presented with one.

Rink Upgrades: Brad Park

Brad reported that the upgrades are progressing, first call verified that there were not any underground hazards. We are waiting on the permits, demo will start ASAP and the new rink will be built in October-November.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

No new business.

**MOTION:**

To Adjourn the meeting at 9:09pm  
Moved by: Cheryl Emmerling  
Carried.