



## November 11, 2006, Indian Road Crescent Public School Minutes of Meeting

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**Chair:** Hilary Bell                      **Recorder:** David McIlwraith  
**Attendance :** 5

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### Agenda

1. Keele St/Parkside Dr
2. Recap of All Candidates meeting
3. Bank Account Update
4. Baird Park
5. Website development
6. Price Chopper site improvement
7. Planning for 2007 meetings
8. Options for Homes development
9. Update on McBrides site
10. Other Business

### **1. Keele St/Parkside Dr**

The Keele Street Traffic Safety Committee, in the past, drafted a deportation to the City of Toronto Works Committee. The key elements of this were to promote:

- Accessibility and safety for bikes and pedestrians
- Improve the Keele subway access
- Promote access to High Park and the lakefront; make the street an ‘avenue’ to these important locations
- Reduce speed and increase vehicle safety

A mechanism is needed to continue and develop this initiative. Suggestions were:

- Make the Traffic Safety Committee part of TWBCA
- Get other community associations adjacent to Keele/Parkside involved
- Expand the vision to incorporate broader issues, and cover a 15 to 20 year vision
- Link to the western waterfront master plan
- Organize a design initiative to brainstorm ideas for a vision and plan, bringing together stakeholders and possible urban design students
- Identify factors that could act as key motivators for change (e.g. pedestrian fatalities on Keele)

Actions:

- Create a Keele St Action Committee as a subcommittee of TWBCA (chaired by Duncan)
- Contact Brown and Story Architects about getting involvement of design or planning students (Hilary)
- Rework the deportation to highlight key issues (Duncan/Jim)
- Follow up on initial contact to Greg Stewart (City Planning) by Rhona Swarbrick (Hilary)

## **2. Recap of All Candidates Meeting**

It was agreed that the All Candidates meeting organized for the recent municipal election was well organized and well attended. There was unanimous praise and appreciation expressed to Daryl for chairing the meeting successfully.

The only concern was that some of the lesser known candidates didn't receive much opportunity to speak (since they were not requested to by the audience). It was noted that at the Bishop Morocco AC meeting, the chair nominated a fourth candidate to answer each question, thereby providing an opportunity for all to participate.

## **3. Bank Account Update**

The bank account contains approximately \$1,200.

Scotia Bank informed us that they will start charging a monthly fee for our account.

Actions:

- Find out what bank other community associations use (Hilary)
- Find out if the Bank of Montreal in the Junction has free accounts (David)

It was agreed that a request for annual dues (\$10) should be sent out).

Actions:

- Send out email requesting cheques for annual dues be sent to Duncan (Aileen)  
(Note that subsequent to the meeting, it was agreed that cheques should be sent to David).

## **4. Baird Park**

Although funding of \$35,000 was approved to pay for a fence and new swing set, it appears that this may now be in doubt. Peter Lees, the City parks supervisor, is investigating with his manager.

Actions:

- Contact Peter to find out status, and draft a response to the City once the situation is known (Aileen)

## **5. Website Development**

The person that created the design for the site (Caitlin) doesn't do the actual development, so a developer needs to be identified.

Action:

Contact Christine Newman about doing the necessary development of the web pages (Aileen)

We have some photos of the area that can be included, plus other materials of interest, such as historical details and Duncan’s area walk description.

Geoff Kushnir has offered to host the site for free.

It may be possible to change the email address to match the web address (e.g. use ‘@thewestbend.com’ rather than ‘sympatico.ca’).

Action:

Talk to Peter about implications for changing the email address, and whether he can continue to be postmaster (Aileen)

### **6. Price Chopper Site Improvement**

The Price Chopper/Shoppers site on Dundas continues to deteriorate. In June 2006 the City enforcement office confirmed that an inspection had been performed and confirmed that the agreed site plan had not been implemented. Hilary informed John Colautti (Sylvia Watson’s office) on the 29<sup>th</sup> June. John asked the City to investigate the matter in August. Since that time no activity has occurred.

Actions:

Hand over the file to Gord Perk’s office (Hilary)

### **7. Planning for 2007 Meetings**

The meeting agenda for the first half of 2007 was agreed to, as follows.

<b>2007</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>Chair/Secretary</b>
January 17	Dialogue with our new City Councillor	Jim/Duncan
February 21	What’s happening on the Waterfront	Duncan/Hilary
March 21	The Keele Centre (with Shirley Hassard/Peggy Nash)	Hilary/David
April 18	GO Transit’s plans for the Georgetown line rail corridor	David/Aileen
May 16	Baird Park Event final planning	Aileen/Jim
June 20	To be determined (possible topic Railpath construction plans)	

Actions:

- Request for Gord Perks to attend January meeting (Jim)
- Nominated chairs to organize visitors for their meetings

### **8. Options for Homes Development (Canadian Tire Site)**

No response has been received from the Committee of Adjustment to the letter that Hilary submitted. No action.

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## **9. Update on McBrides Site**

The McBrides property has been sold, apparently to be developed into condominiums.

No actions.

## **10. Other Business**

It was agreed that 'thank you' letters to sponsors of the Baird Park event need to be sent, preferably before the end of the year.

Actions:

Finalize list of sponsors, and organize letter (Aileen/Duncan)