

**Harbord Village Residents' Association Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday July 19, 2011 7 p.m.**  
**Kensington Gardens**

**In Attendance:** Rory Sinclair, Angie Andreoli, Colin Furness, Richard Gilbert, Sue Dexter, Eleanor Levine, Steve Klein, Wendy Smith, Carmen Gauthier, Katrina McHugh, Eva Janecek

**Regrets:** Laura Bradbury, Gail Misra , Stuart Schoenfeld, Bettina Van Lieres, Jane Perdue

**1. Chair's Welcome** to all

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

With the additions to the Agenda,

Moved by Eva Seconded by Carmen; the Agenda was approved.

**3. Approval of Minutes** of June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011

Moved by Carmen , Seconded by Steve , approved.

**4. Treasurer's report**

Carmen reported that membership amount increase by \$600; Heritage fund has \$2870; Flower pot fund has \$750; there is \$4,200 in the bank; \$5,000 GIC was cashed for approved expenses including web site, laneway flyers, and Bloor Festival table.

**5. Committee Reports**

a) **Membership:**

Membership computer database was compromised; the upgrade of the software succeeded in removing the hackers and also prevented new intruders but the parts of the site were affected and had and continue to have be tweaked to work properly. Richard and Gus are working with Calvin to remedy these problems.

b) **Community Liaison:**

No Report

c) **Zoning:**

i) 297 College St.

Sue reported that there is a plan for a 16-stories brick pedestal with stores on the bottom several levels of living space above (~230units). The laneway between the Buddhist Temple and the next building was described as exotic.

ii) Kromer store was sold to Riocan for possible hardware superstore

iii) 783 Bathurst (the Loretto project)

issue about the laneway behind the building was flagged for HVRA board

iv) 19 Major St.

exceeds GFA but because of equity and fairness HVRA is not going to oppose but will state on the record that the granting of this extra GFA will not be taken by HVRA as a precedent for future projects in HV

d) **Communications:**

Richard advised the group that the Newsletter has to go out in the 1<sup>st</sup> wk of October; History project was suggested as one of the topics for the General meeting

Katrina, Gus and Richard will meet regarding the membership database

e) **Website**

Our webmaster Wendy Smith reminded the board that Paul Macarico volunteered at the Spring General Meeting to organize the Brunswick-College Parkette Design Competition submissions into webpages that could be incorporated into a special section of the HVRA website. However, he has not yet started the project and she has not heard from him about this. Gus agreed to try to contact Paul to find out if he is still able to commit to this project.

Wendy encouraged members to let her know when they become aware of Harbord Village or HVRA being in the News -- so that she can add them to the "HV In the News" webpage.

f) **U of T Liaison and other planning matters:**

Sue Dexter reported that she attended a meeting regarding 245 College St. In attendance were people from Annex, Huron-Sussex & Grange residents associations and residents of Glasgow St. The height has been decreased from 43 to 24 stories and the building was to be occupied by 750-1200 students. The meeting was viewed to have produced good outcomes. A public meeting was planned for 5days later. UofT .

Councillor Adam Vaughan supports a visioning study that would look at the area from Beverly St to Augusta up to Spadina Circle.

There was no news on fate of the Post Office building on Spadina

There was a discussion about bike lanes on Harbord. Gus agreed to write a letter that HVRA would like to be invited to discussions regarding the bike lanes in this area.

**g) Heritage:**

As discussed at the previous meeting there have been some homeowners who have made changes to the fronts of their respective homes, with the additions of porches, windows, etc. which are not in compliance with the heritage of the area. Heritage preservation office sent a letter to the non-compliant owners.

Sue noted that on the other hand, renovations on a house on the W side of Brunswick are very nice.

Suggestion was made to collect pictures of "good" renovations and award prizes to the owners.

**h) History Project:**

Richard reported that the Trillium application was filed on June 20, 2011 and there were no news since then.

**i) Chair's Report:**

At Lippincott and College, there are still problems with over-serving in the bars. Gus reported that the owners are not interested in talking with the neighbours.

At 139 Lippincott the problem with the tenants seem to be better now but there are many illegal rooming houses in the area and the numbers are growing. Richard spoke with Councillor Adam Vaughan regarding a concern for fire safety and that the City should have a tighter control. Richard is going to pursue it also with MLS.

Laneway naming: ~160 responses were received; the laneway jury will consist of: Bob Barnett, Neil Wright, Margie Zeidler and Tim Grant

The work on Kensington Hospice at has been completed and the Grand opening will take place on July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

The planning for the Fall Fair on Sept 11 is in progress.

Fedex Park: a 40' x 25' green space is planned for the area behind the Kinko/Fedex building on Bloor.

Gus recommended that Terry McCartney-Fillagate, Mary Lou Fallis and Patsy Aldana who received the Order of Canada be recognized in the next Newsletter.

BCP Design Competition: Tim Grant and Richard Longley will meet with the full KHC board.

HVRA will support the Green Space at Central Tech. A partnership was suggested.

**6. Adjournment**, at 8:50 p.m.