

**Harbord Village Residents' Association Board Meeting
Tuesday July 20, 2010 7p.m.
Kensington Gardens**

In attendance: Tim Grant, , David Booz, Laura Bradbury, Sue Dexter, Richard Gilbert, Gail Misra, Katrina McHugh, Rory Sinclair, Wendy Smith, Leslie Thompson, Mairin Wilkinson, Eva Janecek-Rucker

Regrets: Angie Andreoli, Debby Black, Colin Furness, Jane Perdue, Stuart Schoenfeld

1. Chair's welcome

Tim welcomed all present.

2. Approval of Agenda

Approved.

Moved by Rory Sinclair; seconded by Eva Janecek

3. Approval of minutes:

Minutes of June 8/10 were approved.

Laura Bradbury moved to adopt the minutes; seconded by David Booz

4. Treasurer's report

Leslie Thompson reported that there have been no changes in HRVA financial position; number of projects are completed and the treasurer is closing those accounts. Changes to the accounting system are moving along.

5. Committee Reports

a. Environment:

i. Trees:

Tim reported on behalf of Dinny Biggs that final report for the project was sent; about \$2,300 remained unspent. Over 200 trees were planted as a result of the project

ii. Graffiti

no report

b. Membership:

Several new memberships and a few renewals were received

c. Community Liaison

- Gus Sinclair reported that George Smitherman is going to talk on Oct 12th at Avenue Rd and Bloor

The election is on Oct 25th; there was a discussion whether HVRA should co-sponsor Councillors' & School Trustees' debate; suggested date Oct 14th; Robert Brown will be approached to organize

- Mayoralty debate: the Board congratulated Gus on excellent handling of the debate

d. Zoning:

- Sue reported on the concerns of illegal rooming houses: 80 Willcox is a semi; there is a proposal for conversion into a rooming house with extremely small rooms; neighbours are concerned that there will be an increase in noise (in addition to the noise generated by occupants of rooming houses on Spadina)

The owner is also planning to make changes to the front of the house; Sue gave him a letter re Heritage requirements.

e. Communications

Call for articles for the next Newsletter has been announced.

f. Website

Calvin is working out very well. Never the less, references will be checked out.

David and Sue will send the final report of HERO project to be posted on the HVRA web site

g. U of T Liaison

UofT is very aggressive in pursuing building on the Spadina Circle site; it will house Faculty of Architecture

Master plan roll-out and getting to the end

Plans for 40-story building for student housing on College St were resurrected

6. Chair's Report

a. College Kebob's (inside) Liquor Licence application for 382 College Street
Richard moved that: HVRA Board does not oppose liquor licence that includes 11pm closing at that location.
All agreed

b. Tim presented motion regarding Robert Street Playing Field/Ice Rink/Tennis Courts/Parkette: "Be it moved that HVRA ask the U of T to collaborate with neighbours and HVRA."
All agreed

c. 783 Bathurst (former Loretto Abbey school bldg) – Tim asked for volunteers to attend meeting with Councillor Vaughan, and the architect and developer of a proposed 9 storey condo on Tuesday, July 27 at 3:00 somewhere in the Harbord Village. The building will have a 3 story podium and a narrower 6 story rise from there.
Wendy, Katrina and Sue volunteered.

7. Other Items

a. Racoons

Wendy brought up concerns from her neighbours regarding damage done by racoons; suggestions for remedy included "Do not feed" campaign, checking City web site for information and looking for articles done in the past by HVRA

b. Silent auction

Last year HVRA had 2 silent auctions- Pumpkin Festival & Fall Fair; suggestion was to combine soliciting for items for both; Gus will approach Jan to organize both

c. Fall Fair

Laura reported that the main application was approved pending other permits

d. Welcoming new residents

HVRA does not have an official process but individually members knew of various actions that immediate neighbours did when a new resident/family moved in

Meeting was adjourned at about 8;50pm