

WESTSYDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY
MEETING MINUTES FROM
THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2ND 2017

PRESENT:

S. Delaney, President
M. Youds, Vice President
A. Grineau, Secretary
K. Kelly, Treasurer
R. Kelly, Past President
M. McGillivray (nee Chan), Director
B. Kelly, Director
S. Wilcox, Director

REGRETS:

S. Logan, Director
K. MacKay
D. Kuchma, Director
L. Bourgeois, Director

GUESTS:

Dan McShane
Grant Koivula
Becky Duhaime

1. Call to order

- Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm in the Westsyde Community Centre.

2. Approval / Changes to the Agenda

- Addition: 10) c) '150' (Canada's birthday celebrations)

3. Minutes

- R. Kelly moved that the January 12th, 2017 minutes be adopted as circulated. Seconded by M. Chan. CARRIED.
- It was agreed that Steve would post the minutes on our website westsyde.info.

4. Treasurer's Report (Karen Kelly)

- Chequing account balance as of February 2, 2017 is \$18,140.01

- Stale-dated cheque #728 payable to the Rotary Club in the amount of \$400.00 the cheque has gone missing, and Karen will be voiding the original cheque, and issuing them a new one for \$400.00.
- Regarding the 200 coupon booklets: Karen has accounted for all booklets and we'll continue to offer them for sale until the yard-sale day (May 6).
- Hub Insurance: The invoice for WCDS insurance contracts (for renewal) is in the mail.
- Bills paid:
 - \$16.80 for keys cut (Robert)
 - \$12.23 for new bolts and fasteners for repair of the snowblower
- S. Delaney moved that WCDS pay the \$15.00 fee to BC Societies Act to update the list of director. Seconded by M. Chan. CARRIED.

5. Memberships (Monica Chan)

- 71 Grandfathered-in members.
- 21 new members so far this year, one of which (Westsyde Home Hardware) is a corporate member.
- Monica checked prices for promo water bottles, and mugs. B. Kelly moved that Monica Chan be permitted to use the promotions budget to purchase promotional merchandise as she deems fit. Seconded by M. Youds. CARRIED.
- She will order 36 mugs with the WCDS logo.
- Regarding January 2017 minutes, under this section, Karen is removing Gerri's name from signing authority with the Royal Bank; Gerri has signed the relevant paperwork authorizing this change. Karen just needs to submit it to the bank.

6. WCDS Website and Newsletter (Steve Delaney)

- Steve published a newsletter in January, which has been distributed in several community businesses.
- There is a new Westsyde publication: Westsyde Connection (glossy magazine format). There is the possibility that the WCDS could advertise in it at no charge, and the occasional article could be submitted. Steve will contact the publisher (Yvonne Dmyterko).

7. Fundraisers

a) Coupon Booklets:

- Trina is our contact person; Karen has balanced monies with outstanding booklets.
- We are to continue selling these until the May 6th Yard Sale, which will be the last date for this fundraiser.

b) Penguin Meats:

- Karen reminded everyone that all orders have to be received by her no later than April 26th, with pick up of said orders on May 10th from the Kelly residence.

8. Yard Sale May 6th

a) Vendor Stalls:

- Both at the side of the Neighbourhood Centre, as well as out in the field.
- Table rental fees for use of tables in the gym for vendors of collectibles (suggested fee of \$25.00/table).

b) Committees and Tasks:

- Karen will be in charge of the concession, with assistance from Arlene, Lucie, and Diane.
- Robert will help cook hot dogs.
- Steve will oversee the collectibles tables in the gym.
- Steve will talk to Emma and Ian about having a Bouncy Castle at this event.
- Possibility of having donkeys again (Jacki was the contact person).
- Stephanie Morrison and her friend could be approached to do face painting.
- Suggestions for some musical entertainment, probably under the big tent; the City might have to be contacted regarding electricity for band equipment.
- Steve (at Westsyde Home Hardware) is giving out packages of hockey cards, advertising both Home Hardware and the WCDS. He provided a prototype of the WCDS logo as a puzzle, which when completed, could lead to a prize of one of the WCDS promotional mugs, or water bottles.
- Steve will set up signs at local collectibles stores to request participation in the yard sale.
- He will also contact the Blazers to get some hockey cards signed by their members.

c) 2017 Yard Sale Map and Form:

- The map will be on Google again this year.
- Free access to map for WCDS members, or if they pay a \$5.00 membership donation.

d) Membership / Q&A Table:

- Needs to be under a tent this year.
- Mike will look after the Q&A (there is likely to be a lot of questions / requests for information about the Westsyde Pool)>

9. Ray Nyulli

- Mike extended an invitation to Ray Nyuli, a local entertainment / event organizer and fundraiser, to attend the February meeting.
- Ray presented the 2 basic choices a volunteer organization has for fundraising: is the focus to be community connection, which means lower prices and lower revenue, OR is the focus to raise money, which means the venue may not be in the neighbourhood (to engage the maximum attendance), and higher prices able to be charged. The second option tends to be riskier, but with the greater possibility of more money being raised.
- Ray agreed to write up a proposal for the WCDS using his services as an event organizer.

10. Community

a) Westsyde Pool and Fitness Centre:

- There has been a recent article in Kamloops This Week regarding stalled work on the pool roof.
- No new opening date has been mentioned by the City.
- The WCDS website has a poll asking people what month of the year they would prefer to see the pool closed for annual maintenance.

b) Centennial Park:

i. Ice Rink:

- Monica posted an article on the WCDS Facebook page regarding volunteer maintenance of the ice surface, as well as the vandalism which is ongoing.
- The article received 161 Likes, and all comments were positive.
- Dan McShane mentioned he has received many requests from families to have music playing on a PA system while people were skating. The music could be set on a timer, to shut off at 7:30 p.m. He suggested the Facebook page could have a voting option to see how many people are in favour of music while skating.
- A wireless speaker could be mounted on the side of the building, at minimal cost.
- Possibility of painting the concrete surface of the ice rink white, which would help the ice last longer. Ron agreed to look into the price of concrete paint for the next meeting.
- Louvres are needed on the roof to deal with snow load.
- Security issues / cameras are ongoing. The City has not yet responded to Steve's letter (sent on behalf of the WCDS).

ii. Picnic Shelter and Future Upgrades:

- Shawn Cook will be invited to the April 6th meeting.

- The picnic shelter project needs to be added to the City's upcoming budget.
- '150' Canada birthday celebrations: Mike mentioned that every neighbourhood in 1967 had a Centennial project, and that the WCDS could do the same for the 150 celebrations.
- R. Kelly moved that the WCDS coordinate with the 150 year celebrations by asking the City to pursue acquiring land for another park in Westsyde to be located north of Dairy Road. Seconded by S. Wilcox. CARRIED.

Meeting Adjournment: 9:24 pm

Next regular meeting February 2nd 2017 at 7:00 PM at Westsyde Neighbourhood Centre.