

WESTSYDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY
MEETING MINUTES FROM
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 5th, 2015

PRESENT:

S. Delaney, President
K. MacKay, Vice President
K. Kelly, Treasurer
A. Grineau, Secretary
M. Chan, Membership Coordinator
T. Erickson, Director
S. Wilcox, Director
G. Denbigh, Director
M. Youds, Director

REGRETS:

R. Kelly, Past President
D. Kuchma, Director

GUESTS:

Shawn Anderson
Marvin Kwiatkowski (P.Eng.) Director, Development and Engineering Services, City of Kamloops
Deven Matkowski, City of Kamloops

HIGHLIGHTS

- Representatives from the City of Kamloops attended to discuss issues concerning plans for Westsyde Road

1. Call to order

- Meeting called to order at 7:04pm in the Westsyde Community Centre.

2. Approval / Changes to the Agenda

- The following items were added to the agenda:
 - 4. Westsyde Road
 - 9. Projects for 2015/16
 - e) Bike park

- f) Speed-dating fundraiser
- g) David Thompson fundraiser
- 10. Centennial Park
 - c) Ice rink
 - d) Picnic shelter
- 11. Executive Christmas party

3. Minutes

- T. Erickson moved that the October 1st minutes be adopted as circulated. Seconded by K. MacKay. CARRIED.

4. Westsyde Road (Marvin Kwiatkowski and Deven Matkowski)

- The City has a Transportation Master Plan, which includes engaging the local communities in this process; community groups will be able to attend public meetings about this master plan.
- Apparently, a secondary route into and out of Westsyde is not currently in this plan.
- The Grasslands Blvd. extension is to be completed in 2016. There will be an open house (possibly early in December, 2015) concerning this extension.
- The City is also aware that there are groundwater and catchment area problems in Westsyde.
- Another concern is the dimness of the lighting at night on Westsyde Road. The current lights are from the '70's; there is no plan to retrofit these lights to more current lumination standards.
- Light fixtures have already been added at key intersections / pedestrian crossings.
- KAMPLAN (Official Community Plan) is scheduled for completion mid-2016.

5. Treasurer's Report (Karen Kelly)

- New Chequing account balance is \$11,000.95.
- Expenses:
 - \$3.75 banking fees times 2 for October and November.
 - \$500.00 for Halloween fireworks donation.
 - \$25.00 for table rental at the November 8th Craft Fair fundraiser for the BC Children's Hospital.
 - \$30.00 for the steak dinner tickets promotion at the November 8th Craft Fair.

- The cheque for \$50.00 to Samantha Donovan is still outstanding.
- Deposits: \$45.00 donation.

6. Membership Coordinator (Monica Chan)

- WCDS has another 2 new members.
- S. Delaney moved to grandfather Gerri Denbigh's membership; seconded by K. Kelly. CARRIED.

7. WCDS Website and Newsletter (Steve Delaney)

- Steve will publish another newsletter in the next few days.
- Zack's has apparently offered to cater food and coffee to any coffee shop opening in Westsyde. It was suggested Donna Szucs be contacted to pass on this information.

8. Projects for 2015 and 2015/16

- November 8th Craft Fair:
 - Monica has provided volunteers at the WCDS Membership table with a membership package (including instructions for signing up people).
 - All 3 time slots were filled (10-12; 12-2; 2-4).
 - Steve will create a table-top display for the WCDS table.
 - Raffle prize is 2 steak dinner tickets.
- November 14th Craft Fair:
 - Karen, Lucie, Diane, and Gerri will run the concession.
 - More desserts would be welcome.
- WCDS has a \$500.00 budget for promotions—pens, and water bottles were suggested promo items.
- It was also suggested that our WCDS banner could be hung in the foyer of the Westsyde Neighbourhood Centre until next needed for an event.
- Steak Dinner at The Dunes:
 - Tickets are now printed; the price is \$15.00 per ticket, and can be used whenever The Dunes is open, good until the end of April, 2016.
 - We can sell these at the November 8th and 14th craft fairs.
- Gary's Deli fundraiser:
 - Extra Ukrainian sausage has been purchased, and will be sold at the November 14th craft fair.

- Diane will be picking up all the orders for this fundraiser; members can then pick them up from her home Tuesday and Wednesday (10th –in the afternoon; and 11th , all day) to then distribute.
- Bike park—tabled until further notice.
- Speed Dating fundraiser at the end of January 2016 will be held at Frick'n'Frack:
 - Application forms are almost ready.
 - Further discussion tabled until December 3rd meeting.

9. Centennial Park

a) 2015 Christmas Cheer Fund Application:

- Our application was rejected.

b) An inventory / work bee (at the storage shed) still needs to be formally done (e.g., contents of storage shed, Board Room)—Steve will try to inventory the storage shed.

c) Covered picnic shelter:

- Robert has sent letters to the City and to the Valleyview Lions Club about a donation for the picnic shelter for spring 2016, he is still waiting to hear back.

10. Executive Christmas Party

- The Dunes offer to host the annual Christmas party was too expensive, so the Executive decided to hold it at the Westsyder Pub
- Date picked was Saturday, December 12th, at a cost of \$10.00 per person attending.
- It was agreed to hold another Yankee Swap (one \$15.00 [approximately] gift per person participating).
- Further discussion was tabled until December meeting.

Meeting Adjournment: 8:27pm

Next regular meeting December 3rd, 2015 at 7:00 PM at Westsyde Neighbourhood Centre.