

**Minutes
York-Eglinton BIA
Board Meeting
Wednesday January 4, 2007
Maria A. Shchuka Library
6:30 p.m. – 8:30p.m.**

PRESENT:

Nick Alampi-Chair
Arnold Rowe – Vice Chair
Henrich Plummer – Secretary
Marjorie Renwick-Treasurer
Vennicia Allen – Board Member

ABSENT

Geoff Shore-Board Member
Leroy King – Board Member
Robert Osbourne – Board member
Marva Herrington – Board Member
Roland Beggs-Board Member

Call to Order

The meeting was call to order at 6:40pm

Amendment of the Agenda

Nick Alampi moved a motion to amend item 8 on the agenda. Henrich Plummer seconded the motion. The motion was put to the meeting and was unanimously carried

Welcome by Chairman

Nick Alampi, the Chairman welcomes everyone.

Apologies for Absences

Mr. Michael Saunders sent his regrets

Correction of the Minutes of March 8, 2007

It was noted that the minutes was too long and should be condensed in the office

Correction of Minutes for March 22, 2007

The correction to the minutes was noted and accepted.

The motion to accept the correction of the minutes was moved by Nick Alampi and seconded by Marjorie Renwick. The motion was put to the meeting and was unanimously carried.

Nick Alampi turn over the chair to Arnold Rowe in order to give a verbal report on the work being done by System International Electric.

Matters Arising From the Minutes

Report on Repairs

a) Planter Boxes

Nick Alampi stated that the power was removed from all the planter boxes. He noted that there were a few addresses that the contractor was unable to access.

Arnold Rowe asked if the electricity is still connected in the locations that were not accessible. Nick Alampi stated that the function boxes are in safety mode but at the flick of a switch the power could be activated.

Mr. Plummer asked if a confirmation letter has been received. Mr. Alampi stated that the certificate would be provided after the completion of the work.

Arnold Rowe hand over the chair back to Nick Alampi.

Ritta Roach, Office Coordinator reported on the following:

b) Hydro

Ritta reported that hydro has not completed work on the globe lights. She spoke with Andrew Herczeg of Hydro Business Manager who informed her that work had not been completed due to their involvement with the cavalcades of lights and the difficulties that they experienced in obtaining parts for the globe lights. She said that Mr. Herczeg expected to complete the work in the coming months.

New Items

Topics For Discussion and Decision

Nick Alampi asked to start the discussion with item (g) on the list of topics that needed a decision.

a) Set Dates for AGM

Arnold Rowe stated that procedure according to Michael Saunders is to set a new Annual General Meeting that will justify the changes in the budget. He further added that there was a need to plan strategically for the AGM. There were objectives that the BIA would like to meet. Arnold Rowe suggested that AGM be held either March 14 or 21, 2007.

Nick stated that the AGM should be a in the format of brainstorming and planning.

Mr. Rowe stated that the AGM could not take place before the City approves the alignment of the new boundary. He said that the approval would take place at the end of January or early February

Nick Alampi asked, how long do we need to for the AGM? He said that having the AGM on March 21, 2007 would allow a full month and half to action plan.

Arnold Rowe agreed the AGM would be held on Mach 31, 2007. Thus, covering the following items on the agenda: item (d) **Intentions to present new budget to the City for 2007-2007** and item (e) **Board Nomination for 2007-2010**.

b) Board Nomination for 2007-2010.

In reference to Board Nominations Arnold Rowe stated that only two of the new Board members elect fell outside the new boundary. If those people decide not to serve since their levee will be paid to the newly created BIA. Then we would nominate three new members at the New AGM. This means that if two members elected to the board resigned we will have to nominate three people.

Mr. Rowe instructed the office coordinator to write a letter to the two members outside of the new boundaries asking if they still wish to serve.

He also indicated that a notification is sent to Mr. Michael Saunders stating that we have set the date for the new AGM at which time we will present a new budget and will fill any existing vacancy on the board that came with the realignment.

c) Planned Advertising and Promotion Campaign

Arnold Rowe moved a motion to start advertising and promotion campaign to bring shoppers to the area. Ms. Vennicia Allen seconded the motion.

Arnold Rowe said he would take responsibility for the campaign.

d) Beautification Campaign

Mr. Plummer said that he would be responsible for developing and implementing the Beautification campaign.

Mr. Rowe stated that the Board would prepare proposals and budget for the beautification and promotion campaign.

e) Relocation of Office

Due to Arnold Rowe's affiliation with the property being considered for re-location, which presents a conflict of interest, Nick Alampi asked Arnold Rowe if he wishes to leave the room to allow for the discussion on the matter.

Mr. Rowe stated that the move is necessary because we cannot operate the BIA office outside of the new boundaries.

Nick Alampi stated that this is an expense for the members because of the higher cost for rent than is currently being paid. Mr. Rowe stated that there would not be any additional

cost to the members because the money comes from the BIA levee. Mr. Alampi stated that he wanted the board to be aware of future debt.

Marjorie Renwick stated that the money could be taken from temporary staff.

Nick Alampi moved a motion that the difference to pay the rent at 1649 Eglinton Avenue West will be taking from part time staff budget allocation. Majorie Renwick seconded this motion.

Arnold Rowe disagreed with the motion. He said the 2007 budget was not valid and a new budget will be prepared by 2007. It was stated that the first and last is \$1200.00

Mr. Rowe suggested that the board moved motion to give landlord appropriate notice.

Nick Alampi moved a motion to give the landlord at 1862 Eglinton Avenue W appropriate notice, relocate the office from 1862 Eglinton Avenue W to 1649 Eglinton Avenue W. and request Marjorie Renwick to obtain a lease agreement from 1121607 Ontario Ltd. Ms. Vennicia Allen seconded the motion.

Nick Alampi stated that the BIA has to notify Canada Post of relocation. Mr. Rowe stated that a motion was not needed because this was an administrative matter that could be handled by the office.

Any Other Business

It was noted that the invoice received from the City for \$7355.28 was for electrical consultants in a cost-sharing project with the City. It was agreed that the money to pay for this would come out of the capital account. Nick Alampi and Marjorie Renwick have agreed to transfer the funds.

Also an invoice was received from Systems Electric will be paid \$12, 619.00 for the removal of power from the planter boxes.

Mr. Alampi stated that the next meeting is schedule for Wednesday, January 17, 2007 at 6:30pm to 8:30pm at the Maria A. Shchuka Library.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

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Nick Alampi
Chairman

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Henrich Plummer
Secretary

Moved by:

Seconded by:

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Board Member

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Board Member