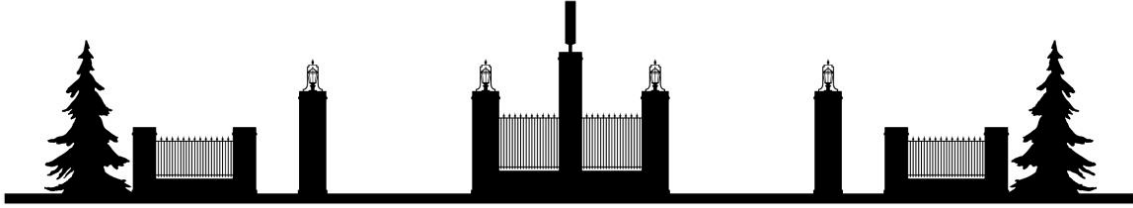


Guildwood Village Community Association



Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2020

I. Call to order

Jim Whitney called to order the regular meeting of the Guildwood Village Community Association at 7:32 pm on December 8, 2020. The meeting was conducted by telephone conference call due to COVID-19 precautions.

II. Roll call

The following were present:

✓	Jim Whitney	✓	Kathleen Wolfe
✓	Timo Puhakka	✓	Reg Wolfe
✓	Julia Lakats	✓	James Gilchrist
X	Bruce Villeneuve	✓	Ulrik Westergaard
✓	Andy Douglas	✓	John Mason
✓	Audrea Douglas	✓	Kelly Cole
✓	Angela Vanderburg	✓	Allison Murray
✓	Brad Warren	✓	Dave Arnold

Regrets: Bruce Villeneuve

Guest: John Harris - Bluffs Erosion Remediation Project Committee

III. Guest Presentation:

John Harris represents 143 townhouse owners at the foot of Livingston Road in the complex known as Lakeside Village. Erosion of the Bluffs is presenting a serious challenge to the homeowners. Certain previous directors of the GVCA were involved in

the Meadowcliffe project (Laurie Metcalfe and Timo Puhakka) in 2010. Timo has provided information from the past project. GVCA's primary concern with the previous project was with heavy truck traffic. John is asking GVCA to provide liaison members. They have approached Gary Crawford's office and have asked for historical information. They are also talking with Paul Ainslie, TRCA, John McKay, Mitzie Hunter. They want to know (1) can they count on GVCA support (moral at a minimum) (2) can the GVCA suggest other community groups who may have an interest (3) what challenges would the GVCA see with respect to the remediation project? Their tennis court has gone over the edge. The situation with the TRCA was described by John Harris as "challenged and troubled". The solution that they would like to come to is to have the TRCA provide financial support for the slope restoration. They have 1,000' of bluff. TRCA created a community liaison committee (CLC) for Meadowcliffe (2010 -2019) and he is trying to emulate that. Dave commented that the CLC is an awkward format. Our last involvement with the TRCA was in 2015-2017 for the shoreline development below the Guild Inn and east to East Point Park. John Harris left the meeting at 7:50.

IV. Approval of the Meeting Agenda

The meeting agenda as presented via email was approved with adjustments (Kelly Cole corrected the date for the next meeting). Reg Wolfe motioned for approval, John Mason seconded the motion, and it was carried.

V. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

There was a motion by Dave Arnold to approve the minutes from the last meeting on November 10, 2020 as published. This was seconded by Ulrik Westergaard. Motion carried.

VI. Treasurer's Report

Kelly Cole reviewed the financial statements for the year-to-date which were included in the meeting package. This month we had \$180 for membership revenue. Regular monthly expenses are ongoing. We are still waiting for printing invoices and two mail charges, cell phone bill. We have roughly \$5,000 in membership revenue this year (25% of expected).

VII. Items for Discussion / Decision

a) Bluffs Erosion Remediation Project

The requests from John Harris were discussed. Reg suggested that we should offer whatever support we can. Dave said that what is happening is alarming.

Kelly mentioned that you can see the erosion from Google maps. Jim asked if anyone from the group would volunteer to participate. Angela mentioned that she would be the most likely. Timo said he would also volunteer if someone else would volunteer. Jim confirmed that Angela and Timo would be put forward as liaison from the GVCA and he will be communicating this with John Harris's group.

b) Elizabeth Simcoe Rink Update – Jim

The Haydens chose not to enter the Canadian Tire contest. It involved too much physical equipment. They have a sponsor willing to fund this year's ice rink and the City of Toronto has trucked in 2 loads of soil to level the rink.

c) N&Vs Ad Strategy plan / update as available – NO REPORT

d) GVCA Brand Guidelines plan / update as available – Brad

Brad advised that his group has produced a shared Google doc that is being worked on and there will be something to report in January.

e) New Candidates for GVCA Roles – Jim

Jim reported that there have been two respondents to his diversity article. One is a principal who grew up in the Guild and may have a role as school liaison and youth engagement. The other is a marketing and branding professional and is a past president of a sports league and is interested in helping with membership or events. Jim is thinking about field games coordinator role for this person. John Mason mentioned that someone had contacted him about the monuments article as an indication that people are reading the N&V.

f) GVCA winter event – Updates as available – Dave

Dave has not heard back from Sue Koch re the hockey tournament. Dave has another idea for Family Day weekend in February. GVCA would host a Virtual Family Variety Show or "Guildwood's Got Talent". Have members of the community submit videos of performances. Community would be invited to attend via Zoom. Part could be live, part could be via pre-taped video. Great way to build community spirit. Dave suggested that Brad's group could assist with the technical side and promotion, and basically put it all together. Dave said he would move forward with this with other board members. Angela, Brad volunteered.

[Julia joined at 8:19 pm and Jim brought her up to speed]

g) Biogas Plant Update – Jim

Two letters have gone to Ministry of Environment. City has told MOE that a biogas plant is not a permitted use for the site, environmental assessment is lacking. Jennifer McKelvie put together a proposal for an overall study of the area, permitted uses, traffic impacts, environmental impacts. Allison mentioned Schedule 6 of the COVID bill that was passed on December 7th which effectively guts environmental protections, allowing the government to issue ministerial orders to override environmental regulations.

h) AGM Planning – Jim / All

Zoom format. We need to deal with reports, elections, speakers. Reg mentioned a concern about voting virtually. Kelly mentioned use of proxy votes. Dave mentioned that he didn't think the constitution allowed for proxy voting and this was confirmed later in the discussion. John mentioned that at the recent Friends AGM they didn't have to vote and they had a list of members and declared a quorum when they saw that enough members had come online. Jim mentioned that at the start of the AGM we typically sell memberships. John mentioned that some organizations sell "tickets" which could also be a way to boost membership. Jim will lead and Kelly, Dave, Allison and Angela volunteered to assist. Angela offered to line up speakers (local politicians).

John Mason suggested a focus on building community spirit during a pandemic. There are lots of great events we can celebrate (food drive, car parade, etc.)

i) N&Vs Winter Edition Content – Jim / Brad / All

To include AGM information, Brad will deal with this and e-news content re AGM. Emily will know who is covering which events and will reach out for content for the winter edition.

VIII. Committee Reports (null reports to be confirmed verbally)

a) Guildwood Day – Dave

Permits will be submitted to City and TDSB before the end of the year. Jim suggested we might want an alternate date later in the summer. Everything depends on the pandemic and vaccine rollout.

b) Community Affairs – Angela

Angela suggested a social media campaign involving families taking pictures in front of the Guildwood mural at Poplar and Dearham. This would be a spring plan involving social media. She and Brad have discussed.

c) *Membership – Jim*

Jim mentioned that we need to think about making it easier to pay, which might involve changing the type of bank account. ValuMart and Ace's Place are still interested in helping. Audrea is having her doubts about a 2021 membership campaign. We have to design the cards in the second week of January. Jim is the chair of the membership committee and will convene a meeting soon.

d) *Social Events – Dave*

No further comments.

e) *Communications – Brad*

As previously mentioned, he is focusing on guidelines and will report in January.

f) *Friends of Guild Park – John (see agenda report)*

Refer to the package provided. The Guild Park Resource Group got together this afternoon. Bad news: the park does not have any money for the trails or horticulture plans. Good news: the City is going ahead with a new public washroom facility where the washroom trailer currently is. The park garage will be moved to the Galloway Road parking area. Clark Centre and monument installation going ahead as planned. Clark Center will be substantially complete by the end of January. Allison and John recently discussed installing a pollinator garden at Sculptor's Cabin. Parks dept and economic development and culture are interested in supporting this plan. John will request a letter of support from the GVCA when he has the grant application ready, which will be an application by the Friends of Guild Park and Gardens supported by the Guildwood Butterflyway Project. There was some discussion at the GPRG meeting about allowing coffee/tea served by volunteers at the Sculptor's Cabin on a donation basis.

g) *CPLC*

Police mentioned that there are many scams going around by text messages. On Facebook the fraud officer of 43 Division does a video. The most recent one was regarding jobs. Jim asked if Reg/Kathleen could do an article but Reg mentioned that it has already been done.

h) *Boundaries – John / Ulrik*

Nothing to report.

IX. Communication & Correspondence

Bus Lanes (see material in agenda): this was a topic at the most recent SE Scarborough association presidents' group; Brad also mentioned social media traffic. Jim

commented that the red lanes are there to stay until the LRT is built. Brad is concerned that we will see more traffic on Guildwood Parkway because of the reduction in lanes on Kingston Road. Krispy Kreme is affecting traffic at Kingston and Lawrence! Reg suggested that the information about the new rules should go out in the e-news.

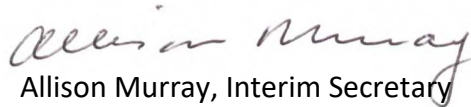
X. Next meeting January 12, 2021

XI. Adjournment

Jim Whitney adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm

Motion to Adjourn was made by Reg Wolfe and seconded by Angela Vanderburg.
Motion carried.

Signature:


Allison Murray, Interim Secretary

Date:

December 8, 2020