

**West Lansing Homeowners Association Minutes
September 2013 FINAL**

Meeting Date: Tuesday September 10, 2013, 7:30pm

Meeting Place: 4 Gwendolen Cres

In attendance: Phil Horgan, Mike Capotosto, Pauline Noonan, Dimos Zarkadas, Robert Batelli, Jason Campbell, Aaron Lawrence

REGRETS: Ronit Barzolay, Wendy Wright

Guests:, Kathryn Atkinson

Acting Recording Secretary: Kathryn Atkinson

Administration:

Motion to approve June 2013 meeting minutes. – Mike first, Pauline seconded, Unanimous. President's Report

Christina and Aaron are stepping down. Kathryn Atkinson has agreed to take this evening's minutes, Aaron's treasurer position is still open.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Description of who should be on the Board. Those who live in the neighbourhood can apply to be on the Board. Non-resident can't be a Board Member, but most certainly they can be volunteers.

Re-visit the Constitution. – Hold over to Next Month.

Water Pressure emails - Phil to compile list of affected homes. Discussion on whether water pressure dropped because of watermain. Some residents did call Direct Energy and in some homes Direct Energy did come and fix the problem.

Flyover Ramp

Raymond's Plan –was revealed on the tour which included some members from West Lansing. Extend invite to Raymond to join Board. The tour was 3

hours long, a great historian of the area. John Filion accompanied some of the Board.

Dennis Rak is the President of Avondale Condo and Yonge Corridor Association (ACCA). They represent thousands of home/condo owners was there as well.

Mention of meeting on October 16th at Fillion's office. Looking for a Homeowners Association(s) to help co-chair. Agreed to Homeowner's name to Markus for the Community Meeting. Phil to touch basis with Filion regarding inviting Minister of Transportation. Ask to invite Liberal candidate to meeting.

Directors' Reports

MIKE

- Remiss in completing Welcome Package
- Ronit's leaf bag and flyer distribution was received in the neighbourhood this week.

PAULINE

- New Urban Forestry contact has followed up regarding outstanding applications for city trees. {Laura White – Urban Forestry}
- She will also do a blitz in the area – urban forestry people to do survey
- Hoping to plant on Blvd that do not involve people in the neighbourhood
- Beautification – Urban Forestry area says owners need to sign off on Blvd. Planting – Florence, South Side Bogert, Flankage streets that have Blvd. A matter of following up with Urban Forestry people.
- This year they were busy with tree damage caused by the same summer storm
- City in charge of weeding and trimming trees? Pauline will ask Urban Forestry.
- Pauline to offer community hours to students to weed/trim

- WHLA SIGN – no summer meetings, but now Pauline is following up with trees planting applications.
- Sign Budget – money left over but matter of re-connecting with Beautification Committee - members, Joanne Archibald, Kathy Pask, Steve Andrews, also need location approvals from City.
- THE MIRROR had coverage of the Franklin Park unveiling

JASON

- Committee of Adjustment re: pie shape on 48 Stuart and has now applied to OMB
- Poyntz Street – neighbours and board will walk through owner's plans on Monday Sept. 16
- City will put out report on Linelle. Broker wanted to buy out street. Homeowners on Stuart and Linelle want to stay there. Filion sent a letter to homeowners outlining the truth re: Brokers sales and promises to buy property which will in turn hold up home sellers.
- Flyover Ramp may require some of that land – Linelle (20 feet)
- City has one foot ownership off of property.

DIMOS

- Website – new photo gallery. If anyone has bulk pictures of the neighbourhood or ideas on the direction of the photo gallery, all queries are taken seriously
- Pumpkin carving night - annual event at Cameron School hosted by the Glen-Cameron for Kids Daycare – date to be confirmed.
- Newsletter – announcement of new photo gallery.
- Homeowners can access the photo gallery on a link without going through the WLHA website.
- Traffic – painted solid line on lanes – Florence/ Avondale. Not sure how effective that is.
- Additional stop signs, still studying it. Parking on Poyntz – will see results of tally
- Asked about John's opinion re: trails -= fly/under solution is cheaper, but logistically tight turn – didn't look feasible

- South bound curves to northbound lanes. Engineers might have a problem with that (idea to eliminate traffic lights)
- Flyover works
- Consensus this is a very slow process/studies should be on-going
- Dennis Rak's ACCA is large and should be involved
- Hallmark – Emerald Park – look over website
- Sheppard Center Riocan
- North York Post article – Jason to contribute

AARON

-253 active members

-\$11,271.66 in the bank

- Canada Day 1,200 membership renewals (77 new members)
- Membership should spike at AGM
- South West – Empty lot – zoned as office (presently a parking lot)
- Walker Road – meeting on the 26th – storm water runoff –waiting for results of that meeting
- Rob Watson –Transportation - Pauline to send info to Ronit regarding road repairs for Walker
- St. Edward's Elementary opening was delayed until January 2014
- Lansing Church/Community Center – when will it start? Why delayed? Underground parking?
- Jennifer, church secretary –not a developer issue? Funds are there.

New Business:

Jason – Basement flooding – May 29th Cameron and a bit on Franklin, July 8th – newsletter sent out with questions. 26 responses. Of the 26, 20-22 is caused by sewer, 4=5 leaky foundations.

Couple of Homes on Stuart (Cameron between Radine and Pewter – almost every house both sides flooded) North side of Franklin flooded

Data provided to the city. These basements have had their basement flooded 5 – 6 times. What type of or if you have an updated back flow or sub pump?

Jason to provide a date for us (& volunteers) to go door to door with membership form. Toronto 311 said one sewer not dug deep enough*(common problem), could be gravity. Sewers are 60 years old. No one knows for sure at this stage.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- Monday October 21st, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Speaker is Andy Byford 40 min. Presentation on his 5 year plan for his future of transit.
- Booked and applied for Permits. Re-confirming Mari to be present.
- Agenda: Administrative stuff – traffic/trees/development (5:00 each if possible) tops 20 =30 minutes before Andy comes and we have to be finished by 8:30.
- Filion quick intro, maybe a couple of questions
- Mari - same intro.
- AGM Questions
- 2 generic sandwich board signs (Aaron) – Mike has some in garage (all 4 signs Aaron to give to Mike)
- Membership table, Aaron to bring cash box etc., but will not leave with them
- Reports first
- Board Elected

Next meeting 2nd Tuesday October 8 – 7:30 p.m.