

GOODERHAM & WORTS NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION (GWNA) INC.

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GWNA MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

Held via Video Conference October 11,2022 6:30 PM On Zoom

Open Board Meeting: 6:30pm

Attendees

Diana Belshaw (Chair)
Neil Betteridge
Phylis Coles
Sheila Iseman
Christopher Needles
Greg Papp
Mark Wagner

Regrets

Mick Brighton Catherine Schryer

- Welcome, and Approval of Agenda Moved by Mark Wagner; seconded by Phylis Coles. Approved.
- 1. Approval of Minutes of Monday September 12, 2022
 Moved by Mark Wagner; seconded by Greg Papp. Approved with the following
 corrections: 'Mark Warner' changed throughout to 'Mark Wagner'. Change 'Google
 Works Space' throughout to 'Google WorkSpace'. 'Michelle Ackerman' added to
 Speakers.

2. Business arising

Mark Wagner has set up domain emails for executive and is currently testing them. Access to archiving capacity is also in place. Concern about changing Treasurer's email until it is cleared at the bank.

Social media access is in order. Christopher Needles will share email to set up Twitter with Mark so that it can be changed to a domain email.

Board is asked to provide material to Christopher for social media as regularly as possible

3. Membership

Phylis Coles reported that the Association currently has 125 paid memberships.

4. Financial report

Greg Papp reported that the Association has a current balance of \$10,258.68.00 with a GIC of \$2003.

Community Meeting: 7:00pm (21 attendees)

1. Land Acknowledgment and Introductions (Diana Belshaw)

2. Speakers

Rik Ocvirk, VP Distillery Events, gave an overview of Winter Village arrangements and welcomed feedback from members.

Chris Glover, MPP Spadina-Fort York, reported on his priorities https://www.chrisglovermpp.ca/

3. Update from Councillors' Offices

Due to upcoming election and short staffing none of the staff were able to join the meeting. Bushra Mir from Councillor Mihevc's office sent a report outlining on-going concerns re the actions of the provincial government and lack of consultation. The new Budget for the City may have serious cuts to community programming so we are advised to be alert. Affordability and housing will be increasingly urgent issues. Staff will be available through November 14 to ensure transition to new councillors and we are encouraged to reach out as soon as possible after the election. Neil Betteridge reported on a presentation by Kristin Wong-Tam, MPP Toronto Centre, at the West Don Lands Committee. She outlined her efforts to keep the First Parliament Site on the agenda with Provincial Ministers and reminded us that there are City Council motions in place that will strengthen our ability as a community to ensure the site continues to fulfil a civic function.

- 4. Development Report (see attached)
- 5. Round Table
- 6. Redistribution of Federal Riding Boundaries

Neil Betteridge reported on the proposal to move Federal Riding boundaries so that the Distillery and Canary District are no longer divided at Mill St. and are included in Toronto Centre. This has the advantage of bringing all our residents into one riding but the riding will be very large. Concerns were voiced that imminent development will add thousands of new voters into the riding; the federal government does not take into account future increases when determining ridings. Neil has been asked to write a letter on behalf of the GWNA to support the change but to express our concern about the size of the riding.

- 7. Next Meeting: In person at the Mill St. Brew Pub, Monday November 14, 2022 at 7:00pm. We hope to have a good representation of developers, Waterfront Toronto and cultural groups present so members can talk to them directly. Mill St. will be giving some complimentary drinks and food will be provided by GWNA. Memberships will be available at the door.
- 8. Motion to Adjourn
 Moved by Mark Wagner; seconded by Greg Papp.



Development Committee Report - October 11, 2022

The Development Committee continues to be involved in, as well as to monitor, the developments which are proposed and on-going in the area within and around the Distillery District.

Blocks 3/4/7 (behind 70-80 Mill Street)

Construction is continuing. Monthly Construction Liaison Committee meeting for Dream WDL projects was held on Oct 5th. Several items were addressed:

Current round of utilities work connecting the new buildings to infrastructure services should wrap up in the next few weeks.

80 Mill is investigating whether issues with fluctuating electrical currents that have been impacting elevator circuits may be related to construction electrical load.

Development Committee is reaching out again to the City, through Ward 13 Councillor's office, for an update on request to convert the new street behind 60-80 Mill into one way eastbound, and move center line, to allow space for moving trucks and facilitate waste handling.

1. Block 10 - Indigenous Hub on Cherry Street

Developers are working with Bell, Rogers and Enbridge on infrastructure services connections to the new buildings and are hoping to have that work completed in November.

2. Dream Kilmer Projects Impact on Area Parking

Developers recognize that trades are making a lot of use of the now limited public parking in our neighbourhood. They are working to secure alternate parking for their workers to reduce pressure on Green P lots such as the one under 390 Cherry Street/70 Distillery Lane.

3. 60 Mill Street (Gupta Group Hotel)

Developer has engaged 70 Mill Street board in negotiations for construction impacts. Timing for construction start is still tbd.

4. Triangle Lands (31, 31 A/R and 33 Parliament)

Graywood has started drilling down on the 33 Parliament Street site.

We have enlisted Ward 10 councillor's office and City Planner's office for support in establishing a Construction Liaison Committee with the developers for 31 & 33 Parliament.

5. Metrolinx Ontario Line (including First Parliament Site / Corktown TOC and Don Yard) -

Metrolinx announced that preferred proponents had been selected for the South Civils work which includes the work in our area in the Don Yard and Corktown station; Metrolinx is now in contract negotiations. Early works construction continues, but no updates from Metrolinx this month.

Continuing to press Metrolinx to form the Construction Liaison Committee and schedule the inaugural meeting.

Submitted by Neil Betteridge, Chair, on behalf of Diana Belshaw, Julie Beddoes, Alison Burns, George Hume, Christopher Needles and Catherine Schryer.