

NORTH END COMMUNITY RENEWAL CORPORATION

2007 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

(For 3 month period ending March 31st, 2007)

Thursday July 26th, 2007

William Norrie Centre (485 Selkirk Avenue)

- 1) The meeting was called to Order at 12:22 pm by Robert Neufeld, NECRC Executive Director. The registration confirmed that quorum was present. Robert welcomed everyone and introduced the guest speaker, the Honourable Steve Ashton.
- 2) Mr. Ashton gave an inspiring speech, touching on many issues and citing the North End of Winnipeg as a positive model of a mobilized community.

3) GENERAL BUSINESS:

At 12:38 pm Astrid Lichti, President of the Board, commenced this portion of the meeting. She explained that this AGM was called to adhere to the By-Laws. As NECRC changed it's year ending from December 31st to March 31st to coincide with its funders, technically another AGM for this three-month period (ending March 31st, 2007) was necessary.

- 4) **Motion#1:** *To appoint John Wilmot, Secretary of North End Community Renewal Corporation, as the Secretary for this Annual General Meeting:*

Levett Demchuk

Seconded: Roxanne Kopitonchuk

Carried

- 5) **Motion#2:** *To accept the Agenda with an amendment "to add a question and answer session towards the end of the Agenda".*

Sel Burrows

Seconded: Meranda Merlin

Carried

- 6) **Motion#3:** *To accept the Minutes of the April 26th, 2007 Annual General Meeting as distributed.*

Michael Boyachok

Seconded: Levett Demchuk

Carried

- It was noted that not enough AGM packages were available at the registration desk. It was further noted that this material should have been distributed prior to the AGM to give individuals adequate time to read it. The membership was implored to share with a neighbour if they had already read their material, and extra time was allotted for this effort.

7) FINANCIAL PRESENTATION:

Astrid Lichti presented the NECRC year-end (3-month period) Financials with the Auditor's statement verbally, referencing to the financials distributed allowing the membership/community to accompany. Astrid noted that Schedules 2 & 3 (Small Grants and Storefront Enhancement Grants) would not be available until the following year as these projects were still operating until the fall.

- Sel Burrows commented that distribution of Financial Statements only minutes before the AGM did not allow adequate time for diligent community review. The Executive Director (Robert Neufeld) replied that this would be corrected for the next year.
- Sel Burrows asked how surplus funds (\$10,022.00) including comparison to successive years were noted. Astrid Lichti's summary answer was that the Audit was for a 3-month period only and generally surplus amounts were relatively small, ending up incorporated into operating funds by project requirements.
- Sel Burrows asked where the surplus funds specifically came from. Astrid Lichti's summary answer was that due to the large scope of projects that were funded through NECRC, a specific breakdown of surpluses from a project by project basis would require a much more in-depth and lengthy presentation.

Motion#4: *To approve the Financial Statements as presented and Auditor's Statement as distributed.*

Levett Demchuk

Seconded: Mandy Richard

Carried

2007 Auditor:

Astrid Lichti gave the Board's recommendation that BDO Dunwoody be the Auditor for the 2007/2008 year. No motions for Auditor came from the floor.

Motion#5: *To appoint BDO Dunwoody as the Auditor for the 2007/2008 NECRC year-end.*

Elaine Bishop

Seconded: Faye Jashyn

Carried

8) RECOGNITION OF BOARD:

Robert Neufeld individually introduced and thanked the current NECRC Board members. Robert explained that the Board still had two positions vacant, the Labour/Fraternal Sector and the Religious Sector, and that a committee was liaising with the community to fill those seats by appointment. The new cultural seat was explained.

9) RECOGNITION OF STAFF:

Robert Neufeld along with Managers Betty Jeselius and Janice Goodman introduced the staff of NECRC. A round of thanks followed.

10) FIVE-YEAR PLAN:

Robert acknowledged the lead graphic on the pamphlet by community artist Carmen Grey. He explained that over 30 community groups had contributed to the consultation process and the pamphlet outlined the goals of the 5-Year Plan. Robert invited other community groups that had not previously been involved in the process to contribute. The 5-Year Plan pamphlets would be reprinted at a later date and new community groups who were consulted with would be listed.

11) QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION & COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

- Nona Pelletier suggested that information about NECRC's programs and opportunities be put up on NECRC's website. Robert responded that new software had been purchased to allow NECRC to self-administer the website and update it.
- Sel Burrows stated that in respect of CED principles, the Board of NECRC should be comprised of 50% plus one (1) that live in the NECRC catchment base. It was clarified that this ratio represents the current board even though the By-Laws state, "an eligible board member must live or work in the NECRC catchment base".
- Nathan Sawatzky sought clarification that this would not increase the size of the NECRC Board. Robert Neufeld confirmed that it would not.
- Sel Burrows indicated that he was intending the motion as an empowering motion and to be in addition to, not to replace, any other constitution criteria.

Motion#6: *That the NECRC by-law be amended to include "the NECRC Board must be comprised of 50% plus one (1) Board member(s) that live in the NECRC catchment base".*

Sel Burrows Seconded: Ko'ona Cochrane Opposed: 2 (no names) **Carried**

This proposed by-law amendment will be presented at the next full year's AGM for ratification by the membership.

- Sel Burrows suggested that, similar to known Board vacancies coinciding with regular AGM's Board vacancies, interim vacancies should be decided by the general membership. Robert replied that there was a Board committee that liaised directly with

the community to identify interested individuals and engage them to fill these vacancies.

- Ko’ona Cochrane sought more definition about the Cultural seat and the process to fill this seat. Robert responded that the Cultural Seat was introduced to better reflect the growing ethnic diversity in the community and that the same community outreach used to fill the other sector seats would be applied here. He stated that selection for this seat would begin in the near future.
- Ko’ona Cochrane questioned if NECRC supported “greening projects” in the North End, specifically communal vegetable and wild flower gardens. Robert replied that though there were currently no specific NECRC initiatives in this area, but any community proposal for “greening projects” would have NECRC’s support.
- Sel Burrows contributed that ecosystem-focused projects were underway in North Point Douglas.

12) MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Ernest Chan

Meeting Adjourned at 1:18 pm

Date of Signatures: _____

President of the Board: _____

Secretary of the Board: _____

AGM ATTENDANCE

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| 1) Mandy Richard * | Oyate Tipi Cumini Yape (<i>NECRC Board Member</i>) |
| 2) Astrid Lichti * | Mosaic Market Business Improvement Zone (BIZ) |
| 3) Garry Loewen | Community Ownership Solutions (COS) |
| 4) John Wilmot * | Luxton Residents Association (<i>NECRC Board Member</i>) |
| 5) Nestor Sokolyk * | Inkster Residents Association |
| 6) Fred Baryluk * | Dufferin Residents Association of Winnipeg (DRAW) |
| 7) Lydia Sicotte | George Hicks Constituency Office |
| 8) Victor Colonal | Turtle Island Neighbourhood Centre (TINC) |
| 9) Lesley Massey * | SPLASH Child Care Inc. |
| 10) Ernest Chan * | Bethlehem Aboriginal Fellowship |
| 11) Laura Gordon * | SEED Winnipeg Inc. |
| 12) Andrew Douglas | SEED Winnipeg Inc. |

13) Janice Lavallee *	North End Women's Centre (NEWC)
14) Austin Derkson	
15) Rosemarie Mauer	William Whyte Residents Association (WWRA)
16) Nona Pelletier *	Ralph Brown Community Centre (RBCC)
17) Kirstie Lindsay	Ralph Brown Community Centre (RBCC)
18) Lee Ann Beaubien	Neighbourhoods Alive! (NA!)
19) Kerniel Aasland *	Community Economic Development Technical Assistance Service (CEDTAS)
20) Jim Silver	Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA)
21) Richard Kennett	Lighthouses (Manitoba Justice)
22) Michael Zacharias	Andrews Street Family Centre (ASFC)
23) Kyu Heok Park	Urban Youth Adventures (UYA)
24) Cheryl Croxen	Lord Selkirk Park Adult Literacy Centre (LSPALC)
25) Sel Burrows *	Point Douglas Resident Committee (PDRC)
26) Gloria D	
27) Candy H	
28) Sheila Nebar	Bethlehem United Church of Jesus
29) David Fyfe	Resident
30) Chelsea Hart	Aboriginal Human Resources
31) Christina Sinclair	Aboriginal Human Resources
32) Val Buay	Cultural Programs
33) Annette Champion-Taylor	William Whyte Residents Association (WWRA)
34) Elaine Bishop *	North Point Douglas Women's Centre (NPDWC)
35) Brenda Slobozian *	Mount Carmel Clinic (MCC)
36) Cori Reimer	Mount Carmel Clinic (MCC)
37) Stephanie Hunter	
38) Gwen Cook	University of Manitoba (U of M)
39) Ronald Schweid	
40) Gerald Brown	Point Douglas Resident Committee (<i>NECRC Board Member</i>)
41) Jento Borttwick	Jubilee Fund
42) Steve Ashton	Minister (Manitoba Inter-Governmental Affairs)
43) Janet Johnstone	
44) Erika Dilka	
45) Reno Johnston	Urban Youth Adventures (UYA)
46) Miriam Sainnawap	Urban Youth Adventures (UYA)
47) Melissa Brown	Community Education Development Association (CEDA) Practicum Student
48) Chris Burrows	Point Douglas Resident Committee (PDRC)
49) Candi Beardy	Community Education Development Association (CEDA) Practicum Student
50) Denise Whitstone	
51) Winnie Francis	Bethlehem Apostolic Church
52) Terry Terichow	North End Community Renewal Corporation (NECRC)

53) Debra Sinclair	
54) Jim Harper	
55) Carrie Sinclair	
56) June Brown	North Point Douglas Women's Centre (NPDWC)
57) John Hutton	United Way of Winnipeg
58) Cindy Head	
59) Faye Jashyn *	Ndinawemaaganag Endawaad Inc. (<i>NECRC Board Member</i>)
60) Ernie Blais *	Manitoba Métis Federation (MMF) Winnipeg Region
61) Levett Demchuk	William Whyte Residents Association (<i>NECRC Board Member</i>)
62) Jeffery Cottés	Point Douglas Resident Committee (PDRC)
63) Barry Hammond	
64) Lilian Hipolito	NECRC Community Financial Services Centre (CFSC)
65) Debra Joyal	NECRC Community Financial Services Centre (CFSC)
66) Julio Rivao	Community Economic Development Technical Assistance Service (CEDTAS)
67) Greg Littlejohn	
68) Ken Pickering *	Lord Selkirk Park COPP
69) Nadalene Khan	Neighbourhoods Alive! (NA!)
70) Michael Buyachok *	Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral
71) Sylvia Todaschuk *	Selkirk Avenue Business Improvement Zone (BIZ)
72) Roxane Kopitonchuk *	Community Education Development Association (<i>NECRC Board Member</i>)
73) Cathy Sheppard	Employment Manitoba
74) Carl Saunders	Employment Manitoba
75) Diane Redsky *	Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre Inc. (<i>NECRC Board Member</i>)
76) Larry Wucherer	Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre Inc.
77) Meranda Merlin	William Whyte Residents Association (WWRA)
78) Robert McGregor	Carpathia Credit Union
79) Nathan Sawatzky *	Local Investment Towards Employment (LITE)
80) Gloria Enns	SAGE House (Mount Carmel Clinic)
81) Ko'ona Cochrane	Grassroots News
82) Cornelius Buller *	Urban Youth Adventures (UYA)
83) Gerry Loewen *	MCC Thrift Store
84) Karen Glogosh	City of Winnipeg
85) Nigel Mohammed	Assiniboine Credit Union (ACU)
86) Myfanwy Cawley *	Point Douglas Seniors Coalition (PDSC)

*** Denotes North End Community Renewal Corporation Organizational Members**