



**Vars Community Association**  
Executive Meeting Minutes  
June 4th, 2009

**Opening:**

The General Meeting of the Vars CA was called to order at 7:11 p.m. on June 4<sup>th</sup> at St-Guillaume School by Jean Séguin.

**Present:**

Jean Séguin, Darlene Brown, Linda Payant, Suzanne Sanford, Mark Wall, Hélène Manning-Lemieux, Guy Laporte, Charles Jenkerson

**Excused:** Gary Larocque

**Absent:** Nicolina Kingston, Barb Lavictoire, Christine Flood

**A. Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved as distributed.

**B. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

**C. Conflict of interest**

- No issues of potential conflict of interest were raised.

**D. Open Issues:**

• **Cenotaph update:**

- Morley Verdier was absent at the meeting for the updates.
- He will be invited to the September meeting

• **Canada Day Event:**

- Jean received the confirmation that the funding was approved for the event (\$1000).
- Optimist Club was refused on the basis that is considered a 'service organization', but the Club will pursue the debate with the city.
- VCA has the insurance coverage for the event, and Jean gave the new contract that was revised for this event. The park permit is also under the VCA.
- Jean and Gary will fill-out the liquor license and apply this week. Stéphane Beaulieu, the president of the Optimist Club, will also have his name on the request for partnership.
- Jean will advise the Fire Department for the fireworks
- Expenditure (\$7000) and revenue (\$4200) discussion with partner, there will be an outstanding balance. To see other options to fund the event. VCA will fund \$500 for the event (unanimously approved) and the Optimist Club will fund \$2000 for the event.
- Optimist Club reserved a band for the 7-10PM.

- VCA had talked to a local band for services. Discussion with Bard is needed to see if there was a commitment or if can play during the afternoon/supper time.
- Gary will organize a meeting next week with VCA and Optimist Club to discuss the budget and responsibilities. Darlene will manage all the expense/revenue for the event organization.
- Need to find out the cost for 5000-10000 prints and mail out (Vars, Navan, Sarsfield, Carlsbad Springs) and to post on the other communities website.
- Jean will talk with the water bottle company to seek the timeline to make the bottles (and could potentially invest \$500 for future fundraising event).
- To seek about glow in the dark necklaces during the firework. Suzanne can let us know the company if needed.
- **Website:**
  - Mark is talking with the lawyers at CIRA and he needs a proof that VCA is an Association in good standing. Suzanne Sanford will write a letter to CIRA and cc to Jean.
  - Darlene gave a 'Notice of intent to dissolve' from 2003-04 that was in her file. Jean will follow through if the incorporation can be revived.
  - Danielle Giroux gave her name to help out with the website once active.
  - Focus is on the name owning at the moment.
- **May 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> events:**
  - Event went well on the 1<sup>st</sup>, with different resident population. To re-evaluate the format for next event.
  - About 30-35 resident present at the May 4<sup>th</sup> event, and the document seemed to corroborate with the resident's concerns and future plans.
- **Financial Statement:**
  - Darlene gave a statement report for the period of October 2008 to May 2009.
- **Upcoming 'Day in the Park' event:**
  - The VCA will assist with permits if needed in order for the Optimist Club, but no active planning will be required.

**E. New Business (items from the floor)**

- **Update for councilor Rob Jellet's office (Linda Payant):**
  - Rollin's development plans were signed off by the City this week.
  - Social Services assisted for special equipment funding for a family in the Vars area; to remember that the service evaluated case by case for funding.

**E. Agenda for Next Meeting, September 10<sup>th</sup> 2009**

- *Update on cenotaph*
- *Update on website*
- *Financial statement*
- *Preparation for upcoming AGM*

**Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m. by Jean. The next meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on September 10<sup>th</sup> in the St-Guillaume School Library.

Minutes submitted by: H  l  ne Manning-Lemieux  
Approved by: