Mississippi Mills Residents' Association

Board of Directors, Minutes of Meeting
October 5, 2005, 7:35 pm

Board Present:		Guests/delegations
Sue Anglin	x	
Mike Boire	✓	
Marnie Bruce	✓	
Arnie Francis	✓	
Steve Handfield-Jones	✓	
George Yaremchuk	✓	
Jill McCubbin (Chair)	✓	
Vacant		
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Quorum req'd = 4	6	

#	Item	Discussion/ Action	Action by & Date by
1	Minutes of Previous Meeting (approval)	That Minutes of July 27/05 meeting be approved as read. *Approved (Bruce/Handfield-Jones)* That Minutes of July 27/05 meeting be approved as read *Approved (Handfield-Jones/ Bruce)*	
2	Additional Agenda items (approval)	add Folkus Concerts – see Membership *Agenda approved (Boire/Yaremchuk)*	
3	Business Arising	None	
4	Treasurer's Report	Not available Jill indicated that Sept 29 Bank Statement showed $1887 balance. $500 for Folkus remains Acct Payable.	
5	Membership Report: a) Membership Year /Fees	That Membership Year be formally changed to Jan-Dec, eff 2006. *Approved (Yaremchuk/Francis)* That MMRA Annual membership fees remain at $15 (individual) and $25 (family of 2) for 2006. *Approved (Bruce/Handfield-Jones)*	
	b) Membership Drive	2006 Membership drive to be undertaken before October 26 1. George will clean up membership database 2. E-mail solicitation to existing list of entire membership/ Yahoo group introducing the MMRA/ Folkus initiative to drum up memberships 3. Place Ad in Gazette and Weekender – Arnie to develop and circulate. Maximum $100 for Ad cost.. Membership Forms available at The Miller's Tale, 2 Tatra, website. Campaign will give new members extra months for any current sales.	George, Oct 17/05 George, Oct 12/05 Arnie, for Oct 18 deadline
	c) Folkus	Folkus provided 1 pair of tickets for each of 4 concerts. Board agreed to provide 4 pairs of Folkus Tickets as draw for early memberships received by Oct 26/05. Board agreed to information for Fern Martin, MMRA Song. Jill to forward. Will try to have a table for MMRA sponsored, Oct 29 Das Macht Show!	
6	Follow-up items /status:		

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i)	Planning: ▪ WTR	WTR: Steve's letter a bit dated now. Steve to add that TAC advises no to Town Sewage, we recommend developer wait. No to communal Services. Possibility of expropriations. Jill to send final letter out.	Jill, ASAP
	▪ Ann St. Dev	Ann St. Rumour that land is for sale. Developers' games to increase value. Nimer to Cinnamon, now to whom? Asking price?	
	▪ Ottawa St. Mall	Marnie read Paul Zollman's summary of judge's ruling dismissing Basille's suit to removed Stop-Order. Town was reasonable. WB wasn't. GNY will try to send to MMRA Yahoo Group – public domain material. General consensus that Council was pushing this through. But acknowledgement that issues were being resolved. Council meeting tomorrow (Oct 6). MMRA will send letter to Council and cc to other stakeholders asking for time to debate WB proposal. George to draft, Jill to e-mail tomorrow by noon.	George/Jill Oct 62/05
ii)	Environment: ▪ Pesticides By Law	Petition: Believed to be about 180 signatures plus about 90 on-line (total about 270). George and Marnie to confirm. George noted that Ottawa City Anti-Pesticides By-law vote coming up. Will ask Bill Slade to draft up letter on behalf of MMRA to send to Ottawa lobby to show our support.	George (Bill Slade)
7	Communications (in and out)	a) Website – agreed to defer till next meeting. b) When anyone wants to be recognized from the gallery at Council Meetings can ask to be recognized as a "Delegation", even up to meeting time. c) Council Long-Term Strategic Planning Retreat coming up. Steve to find information/ dates, ect.	George Steve.
8	Delegations	None	
9	New Business: i) New Board	a) MMRA position on smaller council size – no position taken/ needed at this time b) Voting records/ Report Card for Councillors – George will ask Shaun MacLaughlin and David McLaren to put together a report card in Council voting records, as they showed an interest in this. MMRA will sponsor and Jill will send to AG/WE to publish in "Active Voice Column" and next Newsletter. c) Recruitment for Board – 2 vacant positions due to Glenna Watts and Andy Tamas resigning. Board can appoint for interim. Currently at 7 – minimum, per Constitution. Members to bring list of possible candidates for next meeting.	George (Shaun/David) Jill All
10	Next date/ time/ place of meeting	Wednesday, October 26, **7:30 pm,** Hyla Boardroom	
11	Adjournment (time)	9:40 pm	