

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

Present:

Carolyn Gauthier
Douglas Beardshaw
Dave Johnson
Howard Keck

Regrets:

Bill Smith
Bruce Hill

Other Attendees:

Barb Squire (RPCRA Rinks
Coordinator)
Dave Thomas (Ottawa
Public Library)
Barry George
Paula Franchellini
(Correspondent for The
Hunt Club Riverside News)

Meeting called to order at 7:35pm

Agenda:

Approved

Moved by Doug, seconded by Dave. Carried

Approval of minutes:

Oct 2004

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Moved by Dave, seconded by Doug. Carried

Nov 2004

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Treasurer's Report:

Current month's statements delayed by change in Treasurers.

Correspondence Received:

1. E-mail from Superintendent Charles Bordeleau on Project Rocket's impact on motorcycle racing throughout the area.
2. 15 memberships received.
3. Copy of letter from Ottawa Dragon Boat Festival to Denis Guindon, Program Coordinator, Parks and Recreation requesting the use of Mooney's Bay Park June 25, 26 2005.

Guest Speaker – Dave Thomas of the Ottawa Public Library:

Mr. Thomas discussed the rationale for the new Greenboro Branch and presented architectural designs of the facility. He did note that the new location did present some transportation difficulties to residents of the Hunt Club/Riverside area, but maintained the selected location was the result of an extensive analysis of the available options.

New Business:

- a. Holiday Spirit Contest
Carolyn reported that The Hunt Club Riverside News was supporting this contest by providing a half page ad free to the RPCRA.
- b. Skate Day
It was proposed that this year's event be a joint venture between the RPCRA and the HCRA at the General Vanier rink. Date to be chosen (Jan 15 or 22).

Committee Reports:

- a. Transportation
Doug reported attending the Light Rail Open House. He noted that the early date for approval of the Environmental assessment for the project is Dec 2006.
- b. Communications
Doug Beardshaw presented a proposal, underwritten by his company, the Bookman Group, to develop a community "passport" featuring community and business information, while generating revenue opportunities for the RPCRA.

Membership:

Barb to give checks from received memberships to Howard who would then issue and forward membership card stubs to Dave for updating of the membership database.

Councillor McRae's Report:

Maria provided a briefing of Ottawa Council and City affairs. The Budget is scheduled for approval in February. Public consultations will be held in the Jim Durell Arena on January 18 2005. There will be a new Ward Boundary review in the coming year. Maria was very pleased that new protected areas proposed for the Southern Corridor would protect McCarthy woods and maintain the continuity of the existing green areas.

Roundtable:

Carolyn noted there was a Christmas Craft Sale at the Community Centre Dec 11. The annual RPCRA Christmas get together to be organized by e-mail.

Barb reported that the rinks were doing OK but Bayview was in jeopardy due to lack of volunteers.

Adjournment – 10:25