



A Proud Past, a Bright Future

**Minutes for RVA June 7th Meeting
St. Paul's United Church, 7:30 p.m.**

Due to unavoidable circumstances, the May 2010 Meeting of the RVA was cancelled.

Present: Past Presidents – Bruce Webster
Harvey Snyder
Secretary – Rosemary MacArthur
Treasurer – Judy Wagdin

Directors – Ted Brown
Ulrica McKim

Absent: Standing President – Bill Walters
Directors – Lynne Owen
Don Flanders

Guests: Christa Snyder
Councilor Glenn Brooks

Item 1: Greetings to Directors & Guests

Treasurer Judy Wagdin chaired the meeting. She greeted the Directors & welcomed our guests.

Item 2: Minutes & Treasurer's Report

- i) Moved by Bruce Webster, seconded by Ulrica McKim to accept the April 12th, 2010 minutes. Carried.
- ii) The treasurer reported a balance of \$10,259.23; the Mural Fund has \$11,059.23. The cheque from the city (\$2,271.14) has been deposited in the Administration account. The cost of the Spring Flyers was \$156.45
Judy reported the city would like the RVA to sponsor more community activities. She suggested the Square Dance\Exercise meetings every Wednesday, 1 p.m. at St Paul's might be suitable for RVA sponsorship (\$120.00 per month). Unanimously passed.
It was agreed to renew our website for 3 years.
Bruce Webster spoke about the Richmond Village signs. Carl Deboer will restore the wooden sign, cost likely \$150.00-160.00. McEwen's will either reimburse the RVA for the cost of digging the holes or will bear dig the holes themselves. Concrete will be needed. The smaller metal signs all need refurbishment. It was decided all these will be returned to their owners who will decide either to refurbish & replace them or not. There is no price yet on the sign at the corner of Perth & Huntley Streets.
Moved by Ted Brown, seconded by Rosemary MacArthur to approve the financial report.



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Item 3: Mattamy in Richmond

Bruce Webster reported that Mr McKinley would like the RVA's permission to speak before the Agricultural & Rural Affairs Committee (ARAC), July 7th. 7:00p.m., Community Centre addressing the topic of Mattamy's proposed development in Richmond. Moved by Bruce, seconded by Ted to grant permission to Mr. McKinley. Passed.

Item 4: Ward 21

Since Bill Walters was absent, Councillor Brooks reported. The meeting carried the motion for the city to bear the cost of refurbishing Upper Flowing Creek & Hobbs Drain. Mr Brooks will negotiate with the city to cover the \$140,000.00 cost.

Item 5: Richmond Day at the Rideau Carleton Raceway

Bruce Webster encouraged the Directors for the Richmond Day at the Raceway event (August 13, 2010). Tickets are available from Bruce, Judy or Richmond merchants. Commitment from the Richmond merchants for advertising in the Aug 13th programme must be in by July 1st.

Item 6: Mural

Judy Wagdin reported the Mural is now a "work in progress" which will be finished by the end of July. She proposed a motion allowing \$3,000 for mural expenses. Passed. Unveiling of the mural is slated for the September opening of the Richmond Fair.

Item 7: Garden Contest

Because of the cool May weather, the deadline for entries has been extended to June 10th. Ulrica reported there have been 5 Back Yard entries & # Front Yard ones. Because of the low number of front yard entries, the directors were encouraged to persuade neighbours to enter eye-catching front yards.

Item 8: Fund Raiser For Shelby Dozios

This little girl has been diagnosed with two different leukemia one of which is rapid developing. Richmond has been enthusiastic in providing financial support for Shelly's family. On June 19th there will be a Dinner\Dance\Silent Auction with proceeds directed towards this financial aid. Richmond\Munster Minor Hockey is providing the liquor license; the Lions Club will run the bar & provide the servers. Lone Star Café is catering. Directors were encouraged to attend.

Item 9: Ward 21 Candidates for Election

Councillor Brooks reported the RVA will be hosting this event (Sept 22, 2010) which is open to all candidates. Our candidates for representing Richmond at Ward 21 meetings are: Brian Goss, Giselle Moore, Bill Cooke, Davis George, Bill Walters & Trudy Garland. Judy will see to the rules & regulations for an event like this.



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Item 10: Richmond Fair

RVA's Fair table & booth have been booked for Friday night, Saturday & Sunday. Judy will arrange for power to the booth this year so Ulrica will be able to set up a scrolling show of Richmond's gardens.

There was a discussion about ordering RVA pins for the Fair. Since these are expensive, it was agreed to not order any until Richmond's 200th Anniversary (2018)

Item 11: Other Business

- i) Ray Lalonde has planted 7 is watering Richmond's Hanging baskets & pots. However this might be the last year he will be able to do this. Harmony Gardens will finish the landscaping for McEwen's.
- ii) Councillor Brooks assured the RVA that the city will be improving the Village entrances shortly. They plan to lay interlocking brick work & fill barrels with flowers. It was suggested the city use Mr Lalonde's barrels.
- iii) Don Flanders will no longer organize the Richmond Garage Sale. We will need someone to replace him. He has agreed to train his replacement. The RVA thanks Don for his admirable skills in organizing this event into such an annual success.
- iv) Ted Brown spoke to the generally significant improvement in beautification of village properties. There was a suggestion that a video clip of village streets be put on our website.
- v) Ulrica pointed out our playgrounds are being vandalized, trash is a constant eyesore & broken glass & razor blades are a constant threat to the children. Judy suggested the police be informed. Councillor Brooks reaffirmed this saying that reports must be made so they can be officially recorded. In this way, areas needing it will get increased surveillance.
- vi) Judy reported that Lesley Abraham, a police volunteer in the community, would like to liaison with the RVA. Judy pointed out it is important for her to be active if there is any increased potential for village problems. Because Ms Abraham is busy Monday evenings, it was agreed to change the RVA monthly meeting to the 3rd Wednesday of each month, beginning with the August meeting (August 18th, St. Paul's United Church, 7:30 p.m.)
Judy wished the Directors a healthy, safe & happy holiday

Bruce Webster closed the meeting.