

**GRANDVIEW-WOODLANDS AREA COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING HELD JUNE 3, 2002 AT 7:00 P.M.  
AT BRITANNIA INFORMATION CENTRE**

In attendance:

Directors Present:	Maryann Abbs	Ken Birrell
	ML Burke	Linda Chinn
	Eric Doherty	Miriam Hernandez
	Jim Heshedahl	Michael Lee
	Paul Mosca	Walter Ng
	Tammie Tupechka	

Director Absent: Janet Brown

By Invitation: Chris Matheson  
Chairman of the Britannia Elementary School PAC  
Dennis Smith, Resident  
Ringo Taylhardat, School Board Youth and Family Worker

[Residents in Attendance: 11 ]

**CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY**

With the consent of the meeting, Maryann Abbs acted as Chairman and Linda Chinn acted as Secretary of the meeting.

**PREVIOUS MEETING HELD MAY 6, 2002**

The minutes of the directors meeting held May 6, 2002 were approved.

**WEBSITE**

Chris Matheson presented a hard copy of the website to the meeting. His hopes are to have the website up and running for Thursday, June 6, 2002. The GWAC temporary website address is [www3.telus.net/gwac](http://www3.telus.net/gwac).

**GOVERNMENT CUTS AND AFFECT ON THE COMMUNITY**

Ringo Taylhardat, a Youth and Family Worker for the school board gave a report on how the government cuts will affect the community, within and without Britannia High School.

Fen Canvandal (sp), Chairman of the Britannia Elementary PAC gave a report on how the cuts will affect Britannia Elementary School.

A general discussion ensued. A motion was put forth for a committee be struck to work, on an ongoing basis, on the cuts and how they affect education services in Grandview-Woodlands. The committee will consist of directors Tammy Tupechka (as Chair), Michael

Lee, and Eric Doherty, and residents Robert Haley, Sarah Albertson, Rod Russell and Frank Frigon.

A proposal was made to send letters, prior to the next meeting, to the Vancouver School Board and Ministry of Education, with a copy to the Vancouver newspapers, and circulated through the e-group.

### **POLICE ACTION IN GRANDVIEW PARK**

Tammy Tepuchka reported on police action in Grandview Park, and a discussion ensued. A proposal was made to contact the Chief's office, in support of the community, to express our concerns regarding (i) no police cars in the park; (ii) no consultation with community groups; (iii) what was their strategy; (iv) ask for a written explanation; (v) why was the massive presence so disrespectful; and (vi) who was sending the police to the area?

### **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT – CORNER OF VENABLES AND COMMERCIAL**

Dennis Smith, a resident, requested a letter be written by GWAC to City Hall with a request to enforce the by-laws. In conjunction with the GWAC letter, he advised there needed to be letters from his neighbours attached.

Upon motion it was resolved that GWAC (Michael Lee) write a letter to Vancouver City Hall to voice GWAC's concerns and to request that the developer adhere to current by-laws on the southeast corner of Venables and Commercial, specifically a setback and high density and underground parking. Motion passed: 8 in favour, 2 opposed.

### **CONSTITUTION**

Michael Lee proposed that a committee be struck to form a constitution committee. Upon motion it was resolved that a Constitution Committee be formed to consist of ML Burke, Maryann Abbs, Linda Chinn, and Paul Mosca.

A proposal was also suggested to create a Board development person (Tammy Tupechka, Maryann Abbs) for outreach purposes.

### **TERMINATION OF MEETING**

The meeting terminated at 9:07 p.m.