

# City of New Westminster McBride-Sapperton Residents' Association

## **Executive Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** Neil Powell's Backyard

**Date of Meeting:** Monday April 25, 2005, 7:00PM

Attendees:

Name:	Position:
Neil Powell	President
Geoff Pinkerton	Vice President
Dave Mullane	Secretary

## 1. Discussion of items for next Public Meeting.

Items were summarized and Neil will send to Brian Coates for publication in local paper.

## 2. Police Funding

New Westminster Policing Committee has sent a letter to City Council expressing their disappointment with the decision not to use the \$1.07 million dollars in traffic fines it received from the Province for its intended purposes. The office of the Premier stated that the money is to be used for "a comprehensive strategy to enhance community policing, crime prevention & public safety". Will discuss whether to add the MSRA support at next public meeting.

#### 3. Labatt's Closure

Neil met with Gary Pooni (from Brook Development wrt the Copperstone Development on Sherbrooke St.) who has been hired by Colliers International to consult with the community in regards to the future use of the Labatt's land. A special meeting will be set up at Knox United Church on Thursday May 19, 2005.

## 4. Skytrain Station Area Visioning Presentation

Will be included in May public meeting.

#### 5. Sapperton Day

Next meeting to be held Tuesday, April 26, 2005 at 420 Wilson Street. Geoff is looking for more volunteers to help coordinate.

#### 6. Charitable status for MSRA

We are registering ourselves as a not for profit organization. Awaiting signing of paperwork. This is separate from the \$100,000 grant from the city – that will have to be managed by a separate not for profit organization.

## 7. Sapperton Picture

Picture is ready to be presented to Library. Geoff will bring to next Public meeting for viewing.

## 8. Banners along Columbia Street

City of Burnaby has put up banners along North road. These were sponsored by local businesses. The City of New Westminster is willing to put up Banners along Columbia but expects them to be paid for by resident & merchant associations. Neil will check with Sapperton Merchants' Association.

## 9. Christmas Lights for Columbia

Geoff has Christmas Light strands which were bought to be put up along East Columbia Street. The City has put up one strand per light pole last Christmas season and these will double the display. Geoff will hold onto lights until November when they will be turned over to the City so they do not get misplaced.