

## West Kildonan Community Committee Minutes 1971-1977

The West Kildonan Community Committee was formed after the first Unicity elections that were held on October 6, 1971. The West Kildonan Community Committee formed in October 1971 consisted of what were the City of West Kildonan and the Municipality of Old Kildonan. The unification of all the cities and municipalities of the Greater Winnipeg area came into effect on January 1, 1972 but preliminary meetings were held in October and November 1971 to begin the process. Elected to the first West Kildonan Community Committee was the Mayor of West Kildonan, D. A. Yanofsky and West Kildonan Aldermen, C. Baker and W. H. Sasaki.

October 1971 – The three councillors held their first meeting on October 18, 1971 in the Council Chambers at the West Kildonan City Hall at 1760 Main Street with Councillor Yanofsky in the chair

October 1971 – It is decided that the Mayor's Office is to be used for private meetings with constituents and three private locked filing cabinets are to be purchased for the three councillors

October 1971 – On January 1, the Engineering Department for the community is to move from the West Kildonan City Hall building which is to become the community offices to the Old Kildonan Municipal Hall Building which is located further north on Main Street. The seven members of the Old Kildonan Police Department are to join the West Kildonan Police Department in the West Kildonan Police Department Offices on Hartford Avenue. The members of the Old Kildonan Fire Department who are all volunteer firefighters are to be asked if they wish to become full time firefighters with the West Kildonan Fire Department. The West Kildonan Fire Department will consist of four fire trucks with one coming from the Old Kildonan Fire Department and three from the City of West Kildonan Fire Department.

November 1971 – West Kildonan Fire Chief John (Jack) Button tells the community committee that eight additional men are required for the Fire Department. He is told that four or five volunteer fire fighters from Old Kildonan might want to become full time fire fighters

November 1971 – The Police Department is to be based out of the West Kildonan Police Department Office which is to be renovated at a cost of \$57,000. A new telephone system for the Police Department is to be rented at a cost of \$385 per month. The current Old Kildonan Police Sergeant Owchar is to be demoted to a First Class Constable on January 1. West Kildonan Detective Sergeant Buchanan is to be given the use of one of the police cars of which the department is to have four. The Police Department is to use the West Kildonan Badge and Shoulder Flashes until such time when the uniforms are changed.

November 1971 – The Plan Room in the Old Kildonan Municipal Offices is proposed to be changed into an office for the Recreational Co-ordinator Director and the Drawing Room in the Old Kildonan Municipal Offices becoming the Plan Room as well. The cost of renovating the offices is estimated at \$1,000

November 1971 – The First community committee meeting with residents takes place on November 30, 1971

January 1, 1972 – Unicity comes into effect

January 1972 – The Capital Budget of the West Kildonan Police Department is set at \$11,418.07 for 1972 and the Capital Budget of the West Kildonan Fire Department is set at \$2,604. The West Kildonan Community Engineering Department's Budget is set at \$58,070.

January 1972 – The Recreation Director's Office is to be located at the rear of the Community Office in the house at 214 Belmont Avenue

January 1972 – Mr. B. Horbatiuk of the Public Works Department passes away.

January 1972 – Mr. M. Kostelnyk is the Community Engineer. Bruce Lyle is the Community Secretary and Mr. L. Shepherd is the Community Recreation Director

January 1972 – The Seven Oaks School Division is given permission to use the old John Black School building on the Edmund Partridge School site to house the Seven Oaks High School Band as in previous years

January 1972 – The Resident Advisory Citizen Committee for 1972 consists of

Mr. B. Chamberlain

Mr. N. Elwick

Mr. B. Kushner

Mr. M. Saper

Mr. M. O'Shaughnessy

Mr. R. Bailey

Mr. H. Hobbs

Mr. A. Wright

Mr. R. Carrick

Mr. G. Eastwood

Mrs. O. Kane

Mr. H. Hermann

Mr. R. McLean

Mr. L. Mainster

Mr. L. Alberts

Mr. J. Rozmus

January 1972 – Designation of Senior Administration in West Kildonan Community

Fred D. Hartry – Community Administrator

Bruce Lyle – Community Clerk

Mildred Johnson – Community Treasurer

January 1972 – A 21 suite- 3 storey apartment block is approved for the southwest corner of Seaforth and Main

January 1972 – Appointed to the West Kildonan Library Board

Councillor C. W. Baker

Mrs. H. Brydon

Mrs. V. Wilson

Mrs. K. Wall

Mr. R. Bailey – Chairman

Mr. H. Froese

Mr. N. Nurgitz

January 1972 – Appointed to the West Kildonan Recreation Commission

Mr. N. Elwick

Mr. John David Lyon

Councillor William H. Sasaki

Councillor C. W. Baker

Councillor D. A. Yanofsky

Advisors

President, Garden City Community Centre

President, Margaret Park Community Centre

President, West Kildonan Memorial Community Centre

President, Red River Community Centre

January 1972 – Appointed to the Parks and Boulevard Committee

Mr. G. Strewchuk

Mr. S. Sorokin

Mrs. E. Slipetz

Mrs. F. Patterson

Mr. S. Chochinev

Mr. R. Chamberlain

Mr. J. Moss

Mrs. H. Leavens

Mr. R.J.B. Cramer

Mr. R. G. Pearson

January 1972 – Appointed to the Seven Oaks House Committee

Mr. C. Backman

Mr. G. Strewchuk

Mr. H. Lewis

Mrs. G. Smith

Mrs. A. Darlington

Mrs. M. Werner

Mrs. C. McGowan

Mrs. D. McKay

Mrs. A. E. Wright

Mrs. M. Cunningham

Mr. H. F. Gauthier

Mr. C. McGowan

Mr. N. Hermiston

Mr. R. Floom

Mrs. J. Anderson

January 1972 – The Community Committee is told that the Seven Oaks School Division has made renovations to the portion of the West Kildonan Library which they rent without the permission of the Community Committee

February 1972 – Mr. Neville Elwick, a Community Committee Advisor and long-time volunteer passes away

February 1972 – The Seven Oaks Hospital Committee is authorized to advertise for an Executive Director

March 1972 – A grant of \$400 is given to the Seven Oaks Scholarship Board

March 1972 – The insurance on books at the West Kildonan Library is raised from \$45,000 to \$60,000 and on fixtures and furniture from \$20,000 to \$45,000

March 1972 – The West Kildonan Horticultural Society receives a grant of \$200

March 1972 – St Anne's Anglican Church is given permission to block off Aikins between Burrin and Kingsbury to hold their annual parish fair

March 1972 – Midwest Shows are given permission to operate two carnival rides at the Garden City Shopping Centre from March 27 to April 3

March 1972 – The Water Clerk is to charge Old Kildonan residents the same water rate as the West Kildonan residents

March 1972 – Deputy West Kildonan Police Chief Aisenstat advises that the West Kildonan Police Sergeants now make \$958 per month while he makes \$950 per month

April 1972 – Mrs. A. McRae resigns from the West Kildonan Police Department

April 1972 – Local residents protest the construction of a 9 storey senior citizens apartment block at Montcalm Crescent and Vanier Drive

April 1972 – Mr. Garry Bryan is appointed to the Trees and Boulevard Committee

April 1972 – Residents of Stardust Avenue and Beauty Avenue ask for sanitary, storm sewers and water service as sewage from the septic tanks is being pumped into the front ditches which is very unpleasant and unsanitary

April 1972 – The Margaret Park Community Centre is granted a beer garden licence for their Fun-A-Rama

April 1972 – Mrs. B. Lawrence, Mrs. N. Permut, Mrs. I. Moran, Mrs. Scott and Mr. Holland is appointed to the Seven Oaks House Committee

May 1972 – Mrs. J. Slipetz is appointed to represent the Community of West Kildonan on the Citizen's Advisory Group to the Parks and Protection Branch

May 1972 – Joyland Shows is given permission to set up three rides at the Anglican Church Beer Garden, at Gambles at the Northgate Shopping Centre for 2-3 days in May and at the Margaret Park Community Centre on June 16 and 17.

May 1972 – The Seven Oaks Museum receives a \$2,000 grant from the Provincial Government

May 1972 – The Maple Leaf Football Club is given permission to hold a pool

May 1972 – The local by-law forbidding the setting off of fire crackers is to be advertised

May 1972 – The fence is to be extended along the pathway at Southall Drive and Margaret Avenue

May 1972 – The salary of the Licence Inspector, Mr. J. Davis is to increase to \$500 per month

May 1972 – Carrier Construction is to excavate a new hole at the sanitary landfill site by removing 29,500 cubic yards of soil at a cost of \$15,630

June 1972 – The Ukrainian Canadian Welfare Service is given permission to hold a tag day

June 1972 – The Margaret Park Community Centre is given permission to hold a fireworks display

June 1972 – The Seven Oaks Museum receives a \$1,200 grant from the City of Winnipeg

June 1972 – A nine storey, 130 suite senior's apartment block is to be built in the Sinclair and Vanier area

June 1972 – A day care nursery school centre for 120 children run by the Mini School Corporation is proposed for Jefferson Avenue at the southern part of Pipeline Road

June 1972 – A study is underway on the question of amalgamating all of the fire departments in Winnipeg

June 1972 – Residents of Kildonan Village who wish to have an outside water meter must pay \$35 while inside meters are free

July 1972 – The West Kildonan Memorial Community Club is given permission to hold a tag day

July 1972 – Grants approved

Seven Oaks Scholarship Board - \$400

West Kildonan Horticultural Society - \$200

Seven Oaks Festival - \$3,000

July 1972 – A Mileage Allowance is to be given to the Assistant to the Engineer for surveying and the supervision of capital projects

August 1972 – All welfare recipients are to be re-registered on an annual basis. All realistically employable recipients are required to register for employment or on the job training

August 1972 – There are complaints about the McDonalds Restaurant at 1887 Main Street, with squealing of tires, the revving of motors and staff playing football on the parking lot in the early hours of the morning

August 1972 – Mildred J. Johnson is designated as the Communication Clerk for the West Kildonan Community

August 1972 – The Seven Oaks Hospital Administrator is to be given an office in the Community Offices at 1760 Main Street at no charge

August 1972 – A sum of \$4,000 is advanced to the West Kildonan Arena Operating Committee for the purpose of operating the West Kildonan Indoor Arena

September 1972 – A joint agreement is signed with the Seven Oaks School Division covering the Elwick School and Park site

September 1972 – The Police Department removes fifty derelict vehicles from the Balgona Road area but other bodies are being dumped there.

September 1972 – A suggestion for celebrating Winnipeg's Centennial in 1974 in the West Kildonan Community include an indoor swimming pool in West Kildonan

September 1972 – Seven Oaks Days are to be held at the West Kildonan Memorial Sports Arena from September 15 to 17. The complex is to be dedicated as the Neville Elwick Recreational Complex with a plaque to be unveiled.

October 1972 – The Seven Oaks School Division requests school sites;

A site north of Blechner Drive adjacent to an open space of 4.53 acres for the purpose of building an elementary school with an combined area of 7.5 acres to be considered joint use land

A site in the area bounded by Margate Road, Ferrier Drive and Mapleview Drive for building an elementary school and secondary school on 33 acres of land considered joint use land

October 1972 – An eight unit two storey townhouse complex is proposed for the southwest corner of Sheppard Street and Mapleview Drive

October 1972 – A grant of \$100 is given to the Centennial School Diamond Jubilee Committee which is to hold a celebration on June 23, 1973

October 1972 – Mr. J. Rozmus resigns as a Resident Advisor

October 1972 – A feasibility study is to be done on whether a roof can be placed over the Kildonan Park Swimming Pool

October 1972 – A special commission is underway to consider the amalgamation of all police departments in Winnipeg

November 1972 – The renovations to the Kildonan United Church are now complete

November 1972 – Residents ask for traffic lights at McGregor and Jefferson instead of a four way stop

November 1972 – The Community Committee is told that the structure of the pool at Kildonan Park will not allow a roof to be built. West Kildonan is number two on the list for a swimming pool to be built



December 1972 – The Seven Oaks School Division requests the stationing of police constables at noon at 3:30 pm at Main and Royal and Jefferson and Sinclair

December 1972 – A three storey, 24 suite apartment block is approved for the west side of Fife north of Inkster Boulevard

December 1972 – Dr. H. W. Wilford who has purchased 1839 Main Street, wishes to purchase 1843 Main Street for a dental clinic

December 1972 – A caretaker is to be hired to look after both the Civic Offices at 1760 Main Street and the Library on a contract basis

January 1973 – Traffic lights are to be built at Jefferson and McGregor

January 1973 – A two storey single family house is to be moved to 204 Margaret Avenue

January 1973 – Home occupation licenses can be purchased for a fee of \$25

February 1973 – Members of the Citizens Advisory Committee for 1973

R. Carrick

B. Chamberlain

O. Kane

B. Scott

G. Selby

R. McLean

M. Saper

A. Steen

J. Sasley

K. Seaford

A. Wright

O. Wagner

L. Alberts

J. Vanderlee

## G. Eastwood

February 1973 – A fourplex is approved for the north side of Kingsbury between Salter and Powers

February 1973 – Mr. Mike O'Shaughnessy representing the North Star Junior A. Hockey Club asks for ice rentals to be lowered to \$15 for practice from \$20 and asks for the percentage of gate receipts for games to be lowered from 40% to 30%

March 1973 – The West Kildonan Centennial Committee asks for a grant of \$1 per capita to cover the local expenses of the Centennial Committee

March 1973 – A grant of \$400 is given to the Maples Recreation Association to send the Ringette Team to Oshawa Ontario

April 1973 – The Seven Oaks School Division requests permission to locate the old John Black School building on the Edmund Partridge School site for the purpose of housing the Seven Oaks Junior High School Band

April 1973 – Winnipeg City Council considers the amalgamation of all library services within Winnipeg but the West Kildonan Library Board is opposed

April 1973 – The Manitoba Historical Society asks for an endorsement of a policy to allow the Society to acquire historical items from buildings that are to be demolished

May 1973 – West Kildonan Fire Chief Jack Button resigns

May 1973 – Residents of Beauty Avenue and Stardust Avenue request sanitary sewers on Stardust Avenue and Beauty Avenue between McPhillips Street and Pipeline Road. These are to be done in 1974 along with the installation of watermains, street pavement and sidewalks.

May 1973 – Watermains and sanitary sewers are advertised as local improvements for Woodbine and La Peresse Avenues

May 1973 – A grant of \$3,000 is given for Seven Oaks Days

May 1973 – The Legion Cenotaph in Kildonan Park is destroyed by vandals. The feeling is that it cannot be repaired but must be replaced

May 1973 – The Administrative Staff asks for the car allowance which is 14 cents per mile

June 1973 – The Community Committee receives a letter from the West Kildonan Legion asking for the Cenotaph destroyed in Kildonan Park to be repaired and removed to the Seven Oaks House property

July 1973 – A feeder sewer main is to be built from Henderson Highway under the Red River to Main Street and Murray Avenue to the North End Sewage Treatment Plant

July 1973 – The Seven Oaks School Division closes off the foot path along Arrow Drive North with a gate and fence without informing the Community Committee

July 1973 – Mr. C. Shewan the new West Kildonan Fire Chief says that some personnel have been transferred to other stations under the unification program that has begun

July 1973 – The West Kildonan Police Brown is asked for his opinion on the amalgamation of all police forces in Winnipeg

July 1973 – The number of Works and Operation Department offices in Winnipeg are to be reduced from 13 to 6

August 1973 – Mr. M. Kostelnyk is appointed the District Engineer for Northwest Winnipeg

August 1973 – Traffic signals are to be installed at Leila and McPhillips

August 1973 – The Provincial Government is to provide \$15,000 to each Community Committee for the construction of recreational facilities

August 1973 – The Provincial Government is asked to reduce the speed limit to 40 mph at the limits of the former Municipality of Old Kildonan on Main Street

August 1973 – The West Kildonan Administration Staff is selling Winnipeg Centennial Licence Plates with the proceeds used to purchase a wheel chair for The Society for Crippled Children.

September 1973 – The Community Committees are asked to change their boundaries so there will be six community committees with the same boundaries as the Works Operation Districts

September 1973 – The cost of establishing a tot lot on Viola Street from Gilia Drive to Kingsbury Avenue is \$2,300

September 1973 – Residents of Maplevue Drive are opposed to a name change to Jefferson Avenue

September 1973 – The West Kildonan Deputy Fire Chief is A. Kane

September 1973 – The West Kildonan Resident Advisors Group goes on record in favour of an amalgamation of all police departments in Winnipeg as long as the District Superintendents do not move too frequently

September 1973 – The Elwick Community School Joint Use Project is to be given the \$15,000 grant from the Provincial Government

October 1973 – A boat launching site is proposed for the North Perimeter Highway and Main Street

October 1973 – The Community Committee is opposed to the sale of a 20 foot wide walkway leading south from Buttercup Ave to Morrison School

October 1973 – A liquor licence is granted to the Ho Choy Restaurant located at 640-644 Jefferson Avenue

October 1973 – The Committee is opposed to the renaming Royal Avenue and Royal Crescent. The name of Patrick Street is to be changed to Alonza Street

October 1973 – The West Kildonan Centennial Committee is to hold a New Year's Eve Frolic. The expenses are estimated to be \$5,745 with the sale of tickets expected to bring in \$2,700. The event is to include a dinner and an orchestra for dancing.

October 1973 – A request is made to hire three additional police constables for the West Kildonan Police Department with two of these constables to bring the department up to full strength and one due to the increase in population in the Maples area.

October 1973 – The City of Winnipeg is asked to develop 400 acres of land north of Leila Avenue which is easily serviceable that was in the former City of West Kildonan.

November 1973 – A three storey apartment block is to be constructed at the southeast corner of Partridge and Andrews

November 1973 – Parkside Ford is to provide a van free of charge for Constable E. Finney to conduct safety programs in West Kildonan

November 1973 – Action is to be taken to stop mini bikes from using land in front of the Holiday Motel

November 1973 – There are complaints about the operation of the Laundromats at 1847/1849 and 1669 Main Street

December 1973 – John Vanderlee resigns as a member of the Residents' Advisory Group

December 1973 – Howard Chipman is the Caretaker of the Community Offices at 1760 Main Street

January 1974 – The by-laws relating to the regulating of hours of operation for barbershops is to be rescinded

January 1974 – A three storey, 48 suite apartment block is to be built at Partridge and Andrews

January 1974 – The Community Committee supports the establishment of a co-ordinating group to recommend what historical sites should be saved

January 1974 – Councillors ask for a swimming pool to be built in 1974 in West Kildonan

January 1974 – A winter celebration is to be held on February 16 and 17 in West Kildonan as a Centennial Celebration at a cost of \$1,600

January 1974 – A janitorial service agreement is renewed with Howard Chipman for the cleaning of the Municipal Offices and the West Kildonan Library

January 1974 – The West Kildonan Police Chief Brown recommends the replacement of all four police cars as they are all in an unsatisfactory condition

January 1974 – A grant of \$200 is given for a special Centennial Scholarship

January 1974 – Mrs. R. Schellenberg and Mr. K. Seaford are appointed to the West Kildonan Library Board

February 1974 – Resident Advisors for 1974

G. Eastwood

R. Scott

G. Selby

L. Alberts

M. Bass

L. Boehm

R. Duff

D. Goldberg

R. Olson

L. Bunzulak

H. Froese

R. Kostyro

K. Seaford

R. Schellenberg

W. Taylor

E. Carson

R. Chamberlain

R. Strong

February 1974 – The West Kildonan Library Board appoints Dr. H. W. Wilford as its representative to the Regional Library Board when it is established

February 1974 – A liquor permit is to be given for the Centennial Celebrations to be held in May 1974

February 1974 – A 110 unit multiple family development is approved for the southeast corner of Blechner and Adsum

February 1974 – Dog Licences for the West Kildonan Community in 1973, 975 and 16 duplicates with total revenue of \$4,891

Bicycle Licences in 1973, 3,788, 10 duplicates with total revenue of \$5,581.50

February 1974 – Mr. Alex McLellan is appointed to the Parks and Boulevard Committee

February 1974 – Mrs. Joyce McRae is appointed to the Seven Oaks House Committee

March 1974 – The West Kildonan Public Library is to set up a permanent display of pictures and artifacts of the former City of West Kildonan

March 1974 – The Current Estimates for the West Kildonan Recreation Commission for 1974 total \$308,771 with service improvements of \$198,100 planned for 1974

March 1974 – The Seven Oaks School Division asks for crossing guards at Kingsbury and McKenzie, Jefferson and Sinclair. Marigold Bay and the School, Forest Park Drive and Sinclair and Main and Royal

March 1974 – The employees of the West Kildonan Arena, J. Zonco, E. Goodchild, R. Daptil, I. McMillan and E. Dickens are to be paid the City of Winnipeg Arena Attendant's rates

March 1974 – The Maples Ringette Team is given a grant of \$125 to cover the cost of an entry fee for a tournament in Eastern Canada

April 1974 – Police Chief Brown is honoured for his 29 years of service

April 1974 – West Kildonan Centennial Committee expenses paid include, senior citizen busing from Monash Manor - \$60 and Folk Festival – Wine and Cheese Party and Ethnic Program - \$2,150

April 1974 – Mr. Alex Muscovitch presents his Winnipeg Centennial Project on behalf of the Manitoba Historical Society. The project consists of the signatures of the last City Council of the City of West Kildonan, the last City of Winnipeg Council, the crest of the former City of West Kildonan and the signatures of all of the members of the Manitoba Legislature. The project is to be housed in the West Kildonan Library.

April 1974 – Councillors are told that painting and autobody work is being done at 1042 Stardust Avenue and at 2128 McPhillips Avenue without the proper licences and permits

April 1974 – The cost of hiring crossing guards at Forest Park Drive and Sinclair Street for the balance of 1974 is \$995.60

April 1974 – Sunday bus service is to commence in the Maples area

April 1974 – The sanitary landfill operation in the West Kildonan Community is to be phased out at the end of 1974 with the area to be levelled, graded and landscaped. Incineration is being considered for the disposal of garbage in the West Kildonan area.

May 1974 – Mr. B. Kushner, Chairman of the West Kildonan Centennial Committee presents certificates of merit commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City of Winnipeg

May 1974 – West Kildonan Centennial projects approved

West Kildonan B' Nai B' Rith Ethnic Concert - \$500

Garden City B' Nai B' Rith Essay Contest - \$70

May 1974 – Three students are hired by the West Kildonan Resident Advisory Group for \$90 per week for 16 weeks to conduct a survey of the residents of the West Kildonan Community.

May 1974 – The West Kildonan Police Station at Hartford and Aikins is to be used as the District 3 headquarters upon the amalgamation of all police departments in Winnipeg

May 1974 – The cost of renting equipment for the Centennial Celebration Winter Celebrations is \$720.70

May 1974 – The West Kildonan Advisory Group, the West Kildonan Community Committee and the West Kildonan Recreational Commission are strongly opposed to the proposed unification and re-organization of the Parks and Recreation Departments

May 1974 – Sinclair Street is to be opened north of Leila Avenue

May 1974 – The West Kildonan Centennial Committee is to hold a Folk Festival at the West Kildonan Arena on May 31-June 2

June 1974 – West Kildonan Centennial Projects approved

Rock Concert in Kildonan Park - \$1,000

Centennial Cycling Program - \$80

June 1974 – The charge for using an ambulance is \$30

June 1974 – The summer students hired for the survey work include Miss Sharon Broatch, Miss Dana Annette and Miss Ellen Gordon

July 1974 – The West Kildonan Centennial Committee is to hold a pancake breakfast on July 24 at a cost of \$2,500

July 1974 – All schools in the West Kildonan area have now been presented with Centennial flags

July 1974 – Revenue from Bicycle Licences – 1973 - \$4,974.75, 1974 - \$5,152.75

July 1974 – Dog licence fees are to rise from \$5.00 per dog to \$10.00 per dog

August 1974 – Seaforth Avenue is to be closed between Aikins and the C.P.R. Tracks

August 1974 – Mr. M. Sair of 322 Belmont Avenue is to rent the sanitary landfill site for \$7.50 per acre

August 1974 – The West Kildonan Horticultural Society receives a grant of \$200 and the Seven Oaks Scholarship Board \$400

August 1974 – There is a proposal to dual Jefferson Avenue

August 1974 – Vandalism occurs at the Shaarey Zedek Cemetery`



August 1974 – West Kildonan Police Chief Brown is appointed the District Superintendent in the amalgamated Winnipeg Police Department. Certain members of the former West Kildonan Police Department are to be transferred to other districts including Constable Edward Finney who is to be transferred to the Juvenile Branch.

September 1974 – The West Kildonan Centennial Committee is to hold a dinner for senior citizens on October 10 at a cost of \$2,200

October 1974 – Seven Oaks Day and the Annual Social receives a per capita grant not to exceed \$3,000

October 1974 – Laurence Ledyier of 36 Primrose Crescent representing the Community of West Kildonan wins the Search for Talent Competition for Winnipeg winning \$1,000

November 1974 – After the second Unicity elections the City Councillors are D. A. Yanofsky, M. O'Shaughnessy and W. H. Sasaki

November 1974 – Funds are to be spent to develop the James Nisbett Community School site

November 1974 – St Luke's Lutheran Church at Hartford and McGregor makes plans to move 1 and ½ miles north of the Garden City Shopping Centre on McPhillips Street north of Murray Avenue. The new church is to be 75 feet by 120 feet seating 500.

November 1974 – The Garden City Shopping Centre is to be expanded with the construction of an Eaton's Store which is expected to open in December 1975

December 1974 – The Winnipeg City Council is to raise its commitment to fund the community facilities at the James Nisbett Community School from \$72,352 to \$100,000

December 1974 – The Bleak House Committee is to be established consisting of the members of the Seven Oaks House Committee and any other persons who may want to be added. A grant of \$3,500 from the per capita grant is to be given to the committee to provide maintenance, upkeep and restoration of the house and grounds until such time as the city receives title to the property. The Bleak House Committee consists of Mr. C. Bachman, Mrs. C. McGowan, Mrs. A. E. Wright, Mrs. I. Moran, Mr. D. Holland, Mr. R. Chamberlain, Mr. H. Hobbs, Mrs. A. Scott, Mr. K. Seaford, Mr. R. Scott and Miss M. Johnson

December 1974 – Land is to be expropriated in the area east of Main Street and north of John Black Avenue for the proposed beltway (Peguis Trail)

The minutes for all of 1975 are missing and presumed lost

January 1976 – Resident Advisors for 1976

R. Scott

G. Selby

R. Chamberlain

J. Blundell

P. Faraci

R. McLean

H. Froese

M. Saper

W. Kardash

J. Brandt

L. Boehm

L. Albert

W. Whiteway

B. Skrypnyk

H. Rakowski

R. Taylor

M. Thomas

S. Cramer

M. Bass

C. Baker

January 1976 – The building at 1965 Main Street is to be renovated and made into an ice cream parlour

January 1976 – The Seven Oaks School Division reports an increase in break-ins and vandalism in area schools. It is suggested that increased lighting around schools may alleviate the problem.

January 1976 – A total of \$6,480 is to be spent to install sidewalk ramps for the Paraplegic Home and the Luther Home

January 1976 – Police Inspector Bennie Aisenstat passes away; he was the last Police Chief of Old Kildonan and later the former Deputy Police Chief of the West Kildonan Police Department

February 1976 – A mini shopping centre is to be built at the corner of Jefferson and McPhillips

March 1976 – A sum of \$20,000 is to be spent for a bookmobile for the Maples

March 1976 – Seven Oaks Day is to take place May 28-30

March 1976 – Residents of Newton Avenue request sewer and water to be installed on Newton Avenue between Diplomat Drive and Sinclair Street which is to be expected to cost \$44.00 per foot frontage

April 1976 – A parcel of land at the southeast corner of Main Street and Seven Oaks Drive is to be acquired for an open space which is to be added to the land willed to the City of West Kildonan by Miss Sybil Inkster

April 1976 – The West Kildonan Horticultural Society receives a grant of \$200 and Seven Oaks Days receive a grant of \$1,500

April 1976 – A total of \$750 is to be spent for landscaping the James Nesbitt School Grounds

April 1976 – Final approval is given for the construction of the Seven Oaks Hospital

April 1976 – A 10 storey apartment block is under construction at Marbury Road and Mapleglen Avenue

April 1976 – A soil dealer's licence is approved for 2303 Main Street

May 1976 – The Maples Petittes Ringette Team receives a grant of \$100

May 1976 – Children are to be encouraged not to use the Seven Oaks Museum property for playground purposes. Signs are to be erected stating it is a historical site.

May 1976 – The Seven Oaks Scholarship Board receives a grant of \$400

A soil dealer's licence is approved for 1960 McPhillips Street

May 1976 – Seven Oaks House receives a grant of \$1,200

June 1976 – There are more complaints about the operations of the McDonalds Restaurant at Main and Royal. McDonalds is asked to hire a security guard for the restaurant

June 1976 – The West Kildonan Kiwanis Club is given a grant of \$1,000 towards the cost of their annual senior citizens dinner

June 1976 – The Community Committee recommends that the licence for the day nursery at 719 McAdam Avenue not be renewed as the operation has become a nuisance to the immediate neighbours

June 1976 – The Committee makes a request that the 7-Eleven Stores be allowed to remain open 24 hours per day

July 1976 – The West Kildonan Shoppers Mall Limited at the northeast corner of Leila and McPhillips is to have a beauty parlour, barber shop, optical store, a toy and hobby shop, a music store, a jewellery store, a Pizza Place and Scotia Bank

July 1976 – The Seven Oaks Monument at Main Street and Rupertsland Avenue is reported to be in poor condition, as the lettering is not legible and the grounds are in a poor condition

July 1976 – The parking limits in front of Garden City Collegiate on Jefferson Avenue is to be changed from one hour to two hours

July 1976 – The City is to purchase Parcel C of Kildonan Parish Lot 6, Plan 5443 for park purposes for \$60,000

August 1976 – An illegal car repair business at 306 Southall Drive is still in operation

August 1976 – Mrs. M. Thomas is appointed to the West Kildonan Library Board replacing Mr. H. Froese

September 1976 – A plan of subdivision is approved for the area west of Mandalay Drive, east of the C.P.R. Right of Way between Leila and Carruthers

September 1976 – There are complaints that mice are living in the city owned property at 214 Belmont Avenue

September 1976 – A development is proposed for the area between McPhillips, Pipeline, Jefferson and Beauty

September 1976 – A city policy is when curbs are being repaired at street corners; allowances are being made for wheel chair access

September 1976 – A total of \$8,075 is to be spent to pave the Red River Community Centre parking lot

October 1976 – The East Kildonan/West Kildonan Bridge (Kildonan Settlers) is to be included in the 5 Year Capital Development Program

October 1976 – The Annual Civic Dinner is to cost \$2,750

October 1976 – The city owned house at 214 Belmont Avenue is to be demolished and the site used for additional parking for 1760 Main Street

October 1976 – A wading pool is to be constructed at the Garden City Community Club at an estimated cost of \$39,100

October 1976 – A sum of \$10,000 is proposed for the restoration of Bleak House

October 1976 – A girl at the Kingsbury Tot Lot is threatened by a 15 year old girl with a knife

November 1976 – An indoor pool is proposed for the Jefferson-Adsum area

November 1976 – Mr. L. Boehm is the Chairman of the West Kildonan Public Recreation Commission

November 1976 – A portion of Wyatt Road is to be changed to Mandalay Drive

December 1976 – There are complaints that teenagers are hanging out and causing damage to the 7-Eleven Store at 1200 Jefferson Avenue

December 1976 – The Community Committee asks that more up to date population statistics be used for the basis of the 25 cents per capita grants to reflect a more realistic figure for the West Kildonan Community

December 1976 – A grant of \$850 is given to the Bleak House Committee to cover current expenditures

December 1976 – The committee asks for a bus service on Leila Avenue from Main to McGregor

December 1976 – Mr. S. Sywak of the West Kildonan Bowling Alley at 1737 Main Street says he is unable to pay his property taxes

December 1976 – A total of \$18,300 is to be spent to replace the existing hockey lights at the West Kildonan Memorial Community Centre

December 1976 – Reappointed to the West Kildonan Public Recreation Commission for 1977 are W. Sasaki and L. Boehm

December 1976 – All citizen members of the West Kildonan Library Board are reappointed for 1977

January 1977 – Boulevard planters are to be built by West St Paul School students for \$50 to \$60 each and placed on Main Street and McPhillips Street

January 1977 – All members of the Seven Oaks House Committee and Bleak House Committee are reappointed with Mrs. H. Skrypnyk added to the Seven Oaks House and Bleak House Committees with Mrs. P. Faraci appointed to the Bleak House Committee.

February 1977 – Appointed Resident Advisors for 1977

B. Scott

G. Selby

B. Chamberlain

J. Blundell

C. Baker

R. McCullough

B. Skrypnyk

B. Kardash

M. Saper

M. Thomas

A. Kuluk

R. McLean

J. Brandt

P. Faraci

L. Alberts

L. Boehm

W. Whiteway

February 1977 – The garbage contract with Acme Sanitation is renewed

February 1977 – The Manitoba Housing and Renewal Corporation is to spend \$771,891 to plan and design 58.65 acres of land in West Kildonan and service 25 acres of this land on Pipeline Road between Leila and Templeton

February 1977 – Mr. C. Baker is the Chairman of the West Kildonan Library Board and Mrs. R. Good is the Librarian

February 1977 – A total of \$30,000 is to be spent repairing leaks and lighting at the building at 2170 Main Street

March 1977 – A library branch is recommended for the Maples Area

March 1977 – A second hand bookstore is approved for 1679 Main Street

March 1977 – There is a large increase in the number of dogs running at large in the Garden City area

April 1977 – A proposal is made to use Bleak House as a senior citizen project under the New Horizons Program

April 1977 – The West Kildonan Horticultural Society receives a grant of \$200

April 1977 – A grant of \$1,000 is approved for Seven Oaks Day Celebrations

May 1977 – The total in per capita grants allocated for West Kildonan is \$8,890

May 1977 – Local residents complain that adults are using the baseball diamond at the James Nesbitt School grounds on a diamond made for school children. Baseballs are being hit onto their property breaking windows etc.

May 1977 – The Loblaw's Grocery Store at the Northgate Shopping Centre is being enlarged

June 1977 – The Seven Oaks Scholarship Board receives a grant of \$400

June 1977 – Wonder Shows Limited is given a licence for a carnival at the Garden City Community Centre

June 1977 – A grant of \$200 is made to the 1977 Winter Games Committee

June 1977 – A hotel with 100 rooms and a commercial development is to be built at Jefferson and McPhillips south of Beauty Avenue

June 1977 – Bleak House is to receive a further \$5,000 for maintenance

June 1977 – A sign is to be erected on Armstrong Avenue indicating that there is no entrance to Kildonan Park from Armstrong Avenue near Scotia Street. The gates are to be closed except for peak traffic periods and then only as an exit

June 1977 – There are complaints that there are no ramps for wheel chairs at the Garden City Shopping Centre even though there are parking stalls for the handicapped

June 1977 – The Community asks that the Public Works Garage Building at 2170 Main Street be set aside for the West Kildonan Recreation Department

July 1977 – The City formally takes possession of the Bleak House at 1637 Main Street which was willed to the former City of West Kildonan by Miss Annie Sybil Inkster

July 1977 – A 12 unit apartment block is approved for the east side of Main Street between Armstrong and Newton

August 1977 – A grant of \$200 is given to the A. E. Wright Memorial Fund of the Seven Oaks Scholarship Board in recognition of the former Resident Advisor and Mayor and Alderman of the former City of West Kildonan

August 1977 – A grant of \$200 is given to the Margaret Park 12 year old soccer team towards expenses for travelling to Calgary to participate in a national tournament

August 1977 – A grant of \$1,000 is given to the West Kildonan Kiwanis Club towards their annual dinner for seniors

August 1977 – A grant of \$1,200 is given to the Seven Oaks House Women's Committee

August 1977 – A grant of \$400 is given to cover the expenses for the official opening of the new swimming pool

August 1977 – Plans for the Bergen Cut-off for the east side in North Kildonan include a commercial area and in the bridge area a bicycle and pedestrian area. The former railway bridge cannot be used pedestrian travel as the bridge can be made moveable because the mechanism for opening and closing the centre span has been removed.

August 1977 – There are complaints that the playground structure in the Park on Colish Drive is being used by older children and young people as a hang out in the evening

August 1977 – The Bleak House Committee is asked to erect a sign indicating Bleak House was given to the community under the terms of the will of the late Annie Sybil Inkster

September 1977 – The Maples Feeder Bus Service is to be extended



September 1977 – A five storey 50 unit apartment block is to be built on the east side of Mandalay south of Mapleton Drive

September 1977 – West Kildonan Kiwanis Club members are at work at Bleak House repairing the building and cleaning the yard with the assistance of a number of senior citizens

September 1977 – The Community Committee recommends the additional approbation of \$3,000 to install a chain link fence between McCurdy and Bluebell

October 1977 – The former Hartford Drugs at 1757 Main Street is to be converted into a hardware store owned by Mr. M. Milligan of 152 Dunrobin Avenue

October 1977 – A grant of \$1,090 is given to the Seven Oaks Day Committee