



**Strathcona Centre Community League
Board Meeting Minutes - In Person
Monday, February 13, 2023**

Chairperson: Nathan Carroll

Attendees: Katie Krause , Scott Wright, John de Haan , Sally Hammell , Maureen Duguay, Amy Gainer, Farhana Nurani, Gord Lacey, Landon Schedler, Donna Fong , Lauren Muusse, Emily Graca, Bernie Roessler , Lindsay Vander Hoek, Jason Unger,

Absent: Darcy Stevens, Jacquie Devlin , Jeanie McDonnell

1. **Discussion & Treats**
2. **Call to order:** 7:13pm
3. **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion: To adopt the [Agenda 2023-02-13](#) agenda as presented.

Moved by: Sally Hammell

Seconded by: Gord Lacey

Carried

4. **Approval of Minutes of the last board meeting**

Motion: [Board Minutes 2023-01-16](#) were read and accepted with changes.

Moved by: Lauren Muusse

Seconded by: Farhana Nurani

Carried

5. **Neighborhood Resource Coordinator** - Lindsay Vander Hoek (City of Edmonton)

5.1. [NRC - Strathcona Update](#)

5.2. City is reviewing the sand box program.

5.2.1. Feb 21-25 at City Arts Center to give feedback

5.2.2. You can also do an online survey

5.3. Millcreek trail closure (south of 76 Ave, lower trail)

5.4. Wintercity Festival grant still open for a few more days

5.4.1. Feedback: for small amounts of money the amount of work for these micro grants is not worth it

5.5. New tool from city called Lighthouse tracks hate symbols that appear in public places around the city

6. Reports

6.1. [Treasurer's Report](#) - John de Haan

6.1.1. Treasurer's Report

- 6.1.1.1. January = better than budgeted in terms of net income (\$15k YTD)
- 6.1.1.2. Holding close to budget on expenses
- 6.1.1.3. \$75700 received from AGLC for casino (had budgeted \$60k)
- 6.1.1.4. T4A slips have been mailed out (and are available from CRA site)

Motion: To approve Treasurer Report As Presented

Moved by: John de Haan

Seconded: Donna Fong

Carried

6.1.2. [Strathcona Nursery School Rental Motion](#)

Motion: Move that the League rent short-term space (1-2 years) in our hall to the Strathcona Nursery School, and commit to negotiating in good faith a longer-term rental arrangement aligned with planned renovations to our building.

Discussion:

- Nursery school would rent the lounge for the next few years (starting in September 2023) - and in the longer term would become part of the redeveloped hall
- Will be complicated to share the lounge with the nursery school
- Motion is whether we can allow the nursery school to rent the lounge
- Would happen for the morning and the afternoon
- Will be reconfiguring storage and adding storage to the upstairs and lounge.
- The nursery school would use the lounge in the mornings and afternoons
- Typically there are 6-16 kids at a time
- Gord noted that the flooring might not be suitable (for painting, food)
- Why not the hall? Because it's booked in the mornings.
- Does the lounge have regular users? Yes - but in the evenings on weekdays
- All tables and chairs that are currently in the lounge would be moved downstairs. We'd have to acquire some tables that work for the lounge and the nursery school. Chairs could move into the lounge from the hall.
- A strong benefit to the community
- It would be nice to have a tenant for the downstairs, once the hall renewal is complete
- If it is going to be two years then we should make the space nicer for kids

Moved by: Jeanie McDonnell

Seconded by: John de Haan

Carried

6.1.3. [Strathcona Nursery School Subcommittee Motion](#)

Motion: Move that the League form an ad hoc sub-committee to recommend directions and decisions to the Board on rental agreements and space usage of the community hall for use by the Strathcona Nursery School (SNS).

Discussion:

- What is the timeframe for this sub-committee?
 - **Amendment:** Two year sub-committee

Moved by: Jeanie McDonnell

Seconded by: John de Haan

Carried

6.1.4. [Urban Green Parking Motion](#)

Motion: Move that the League temporarily rent parking space to Urban Green Cohousing, to allow cohousing occupants to move in before parking facilities in their building are completed.

Discussion:

- Urban Green doesn't have adequate ventilation in their parking lot yet
- The city has agreed that in this special circumstance they can rent 20 spaces from the community
- \$20/month/space
- Urban Green will pick up additional costs (signage)
- Scott doesn't think that this will impact our parking
- The spots will be reserved for Urban Green and they won't have to move
- Language in parking agreement says that it is up to Urban Green to contact the city if someone is in their parking spot
- Farhana noted that \$20/month/space is pretty low - how was this arrived at? Answer: it was suggested by Urban Green
- Jason: What legal entity are we binding? Is it a collection of individuals or are we renting to Urban Green? Is Urban Green a legal organization? Scott thinks that Urban Green exists as a legal entity

Moved by: John de Haan

Seconded by: Landon Schedler

Carried

6.2. [Social](#) - Farhana Nurani

6.2.1. Report on Winterfest

6.2.1.1. Cost \$1700 - looking at grants to have this covered

6.2.1.2. Generous donation of all food and supplies being donated from Save-On-Foods!

6.2.1.3. Still have \$250 in gift cards from SaveOn and some other prizes

6.2.1.4. Communications will do a thank you post for SaveOn

6.2.2. Future planned events:

6.2.2.1. Possible BBQ on Family Day

6.2.2.2. Pub night this Friday February 17th - may sell burgers (\$2)

- 6.3. [Civics and Planning](#) - Maureen Duguay Emily Graca
 - 6.3.1. Attended EFCL winter general meeting
 - 6.3.2. Boyle street: OSBA is reserving support until satisfied with a solid Good Neighbour agreement
 - 6.3.3. 104 St Rehabilitation - project is still in design phase
 - 6.3.4. Public Realms Strategy update & discussion
 - 6.3.4.1. Public Realm = city owned realms
 - 6.3.4.2. The city is deciding how to revitalize publicly owned lands
 - 6.3.4.3. Whyte Ave and along Gateway near the river pertain to our neighborhood
 - 6.3.4.4. Survey has gone live - the city is asking for input on different scenarios
 - 6.3.4.5. There are three concept designs for Strategy 1 (Gateway)
 - 6.3.4.6. Strategy 2 (Whyte Ave) also has some different designs: wider sidewalks, center transit lane, more patio space
 - 6.3.4.7. Whyte Avenue is due for renewal
 - 6.3.4.8. Market will lose parking regardless of option selected, but there may be underground parking
 - 6.3.4.9. Is the community league a primary stakeholder in this type of project? Answer: anyone in the city can provide feedback for this project
 - 6.3.4.10. **Board members should go through the proposals and send feedback and questions to Maureen to take back to the city.**
 - 6.3.4.11. **Board and community members should complete Survey**
 - 6.3.4.12. There will be an open drop-in session at the Hall on Thursday March 2nd for the city to give a presentation.
 - 6.3.4.13. Maureen asked for a town hall meeting to be hosted by the community on a separate date
 - 6.3.4.14. There is currently no budget for this project, but it is important to engage in the discussion process
 - 6.3.4.15. Board will continue discussion at next board meeting (which will be after the survey closes)
- 6.4. Vice President - Sally Hammell
 - 6.4.1. [HGRC Report](#)
 - 6.4.1.1. Had a table at Winterfest and the response was positive for the project
 - 6.4.1.2. The committee met on the 6th to review funding requirements (with Lindsay and Tara)
 - 6.4.1.3. Working to get quotes in to figure out how much money is needed for all improvements (hall, grounds, rink) - must get in by end of February
 - 6.4.1.4. Will be bringing numbers to board by March 13th
 - 6.4.1.5. First grant is due by March 29th
- 6.5. [Communications](#) - Sally Hammell
 - 6.5.1. Website feedback
 - 6.5.1.1. Neighbourhood Art section needs some help (more photos)
 - 6.5.2. New member on communications committee!

- 6.6. [Diversity & Inclusion](#) - Amy Gainer Lauren Muusse
 - 6.6.1. Subcommittee - have added 1 member and are planning for 6
 - 6.6.2. [Diversity & Inclusion - Planning Overview](#)
 - 6.6.2.1. One subcommittee
 - 6.6.2.2. Four different areas: Pride, Family Dance Party, Reconciliation, Community Reform
 - 6.6.2.3. First event: Anniversary of the death of George Floyd - will be reaching out to other central community leagues
 - 6.6.2.4. Pride events in June - Family dance party, two spirit round dance, pride yoga in the park
 - 6.6.2.5. September - reconciliation based event on grounds
 - 6.6.2.6. Halloween family dance party
 - 6.6.2.7. "Deeper thinking work" to come
 - 6.6.2.8. There may be an opportunity to get some money from EFCL for Diversity and Inclusion projects

- 6.7. [Building & Grounds](#) - Landon Schedler
 - 6.7.1. **Motion:** Motion to approve an expenditure of up to \$3000 for Stantec to inspect the interior walls downstairs for load bearing status in order to guide the HGRC's hall renewal plans
Discussion:
 - Allows the HGRC to move forward. Need to know which walls can come out.
 - Is this coming out of the HGRC budget? Answer: will come out of facility upgrades
 - Question: Isn't \$3k a lot of money. Answer: Pretty standard for structural engineering work.**Moved by:** Landon Schedler
Seconded by: Bernie Roessler
Carried

- 6.8. Hall - Rentals - Scott Wright
- 6.9. Hall Use - Jeanie McDonnell (Sally Hammell)
 - 6.9.1. **Motion:** [SCCL Motion - sub-license for Adaptabilities day camp](#)
The SCCL approves the sub-license to rent the main hall to Adaptabilities to run children's day camps in July and August
Discussion:
Moved by: Jeanie McDonnell
Seconded by: Maureen Duguay
Carried

- 6.10. [Programs](#) - Donna Fong
 - 6.10.1. Spring Barre and Essentrics will be starting
 - 6.10.2. Drop-in playgroup attendance dropped in January. Richard van Camp will be coming on Feb 17th 10am

- 6.11. [Green Initiatives](#) - Darcy Stevens Jason Unger
 - 6.11.1. Working with HGRC on some opportunities for green improvements (source heat pump, EV charging stations)
 - 6.11.2. Darcy oversaw Move for Mental Health
 - 6.11.3. Focus of work is on summertime activities
 - 6.11.4. May be an early spring bike tuneup event

- 6.12. Garden - Jacquie Devlin
- 6.13. [Wellness & Safety](#) - Gord Lacey
 - 6.13.1. Went to OSAC
 - 6.13.2. Went to Boyle Street meeting
- 6.14. [Memberships](#) - Bernie Roessler
 - 6.14.1. Planning for volunteer appreciation party
 - 6.14.2. Possibly Friday May 5th 7pm-10pm - for youth and adults

7. **Old Business**

8. **New Business**

9. **Adjournment:**

Moved by: Farhana Nurani

Seconded by: Bernie Roessler

Carried

- **Next Meetings** (in person and zoom option available)
 - March Board Meeting; Monday March 13th 2023, 6:45pm
 - April Board Meeting: Monday April 17th 2023, 7pm
 - May Board Meeting: Monday May 8th 2023, 7pm
 - June Board Meeting: Monday June 5th, 2023, 7pm

Date: March 13th 2023

Katie Krause
Secretary