



**Strathcona Centre Community League
Board Meeting Minutes - In Person
Monday, April 17, 2023**

Chairperson: Nathan Carroll

Attendees: Katie Krause , Scott Wright, John de Haan , Sally Hammell , Gord Lacey, Donna Fong , Jeanie McDonnell, Maureen Duguay, Jason Unger, Bernie Roessler , Emily Graca, Jacquie Devlin , Lauren Muusse, Landon Schedler, Lindsay Vander Hoek,

Absent: Farhana Nurani, Amy Gainer, Darcy Stevens

1. Discussion & Treats

1.1. HGRC Update

1.1.1. The east-west asphalt walking trail that runs between the league and school grounds needs to be redone → ask Lindsay for help on this

1.1.2. Upgrades to playground equipment? Sally asked Lindsay. Lindsay said that there is a new procedure to ask the city for playground equipment. The process is so new that they don't know how to manage it yet. Lindsay says that the city knows about our playground equipment, but it's not on the list to fix any time soon

1.1.2.1. The playground renewal could be another project

2. Call to order: 7:20pm

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: To adopt the [Agenda 2023-04-17](#) agenda as presented.

Moved by: John de Haan

Seconded by: Sally Hammell

Carried

4. Approval of Minutes of the last board meeting

Motion: [Board Minutes 2023-03-13](#) were read and accepted.

Moved by: Maureen Duguay

Seconded by: Jeanie McDonnell

Discussion :

Change "stranding" committee to "standing" committee (for Diversity & Inclusion)

Carried

5. **Neighborhood Resource Coordinator** - Lindsay Vander Hoek (City of Edmonton)
 - 5.1. [NRC Strathcona Update](#)
 - 5.1.1. Applications for community mural grant are open.
 - 5.1.2. Various tree planting opportunities
 - 5.1.3. Edmonton Youth Council: Youth from 13-18 can provide advice to City Council
 - 5.1.4. Apply for micro grants soon. Last year the fund ran out of money by September
 - 5.2. <http://edmonton.ca/ResidentialParking>
 - 5.2.1. Edmonton's Residential Parking Program manages busy street curbsides in residential neighbourhoods next to popular destinations like main streets, attractions and major institutions. After fifty years, Edmonton needs to update its Residential Parking Program to meet demand and grow efficiently and sustainably.
 - 5.2.2. The City of Edmonton is seeking feedback from Edmontonians on their experience with the Residential Parking Program through an online survey open from April 5 to May 2.
 - 5.2.3. Sally will post to social media

6. **Reports**

- 6.1. [Treasurer's Report](#) - John de Haan
 - 6.1.1. Overall doing well. Net \$13k ahead of budget

Motion: To approve Treasurer Report As Presented

Moved by: John de Haan

Seconded: Donna Fong

Carried

- 6.2. [Social](#) - Farhana Nurani
- 6.3. [Building and Grounds](#) - Landon Schedler
 - 6.3.1. Solar panels:
 - 6.3.1.1. 10 of the panels is not sending power - inverter out?
Original installer is coming to take a look (the panels are still under manufacturer's warranty, but there will be a labour cost)
 - 6.3.2. Air conditioning: we are about to sign on some tenants throughout summer (Adaptabilities), and SNS will be here throughout the school year. Should Scott and Landon get some quotes
 - 6.3.2.1. Ball park price is \$15k-\$18k for air conditioning
 - 6.3.2.2. Could look into heat pumps \$30k. Heat pumps could be used for heating and cooling. Potential for grants, but the deadline for the building retrofit grant is June of this year.
 - 6.3.2.3. An overall strategy and assessment is needed for the HVAC.
 - 6.3.2.4. The building just got new furnaces. They can be tied into airconditioning.
 - 6.3.2.5. We're not entirely sure where a noisy compressor should be placed outside. HGRC hasn't considered this yet.
 - o Scott says that the ideal position is in the northwest corner in the flower bed, but this could be noisy for the playground
 - 6.3.2.6. There is no place for a window air conditioner

- 6.3.2.7. We need to find a temporary option for the summer: Scott and Landon will come back some quotes.
- 6.3.3. Lounge washroom is getting turned into a storage room for SNS
 - 6.3.3.1. Waiting for SNS to get back to us about their other needs
- 6.4. Hall Use - Jeanie McDonnell , Scott Wright
 - 6.4.1. Attended the good neighbours meeting - met with festival reps, market rep
 - 6.4.1.1. Ice on Whyte is no more → is now Activate Arts Alberta. There won't be an actual Ice on Whyte festival
 - 6.4.1.2. No pride parade this year
 - 6.4.1.3. Kids fringe won't use our space this summer
 - 6.4.1.4. Farmer's market is celebrating their 40th anniversary → they are having a VIP event. Going to have a party on July 28th/29th
 - 6.4.1.5. There's a road cycling championship on June 26th
 - 6.4.1.6. Art walk is happening again
 - 6.4.2. Board Members need to remember to clean up the rooms after use
 - 6.4.3. [Hall Use Details 2023-03.xlsx](#)
- 6.5. Garden - Jacquie Devlin
 - 6.5.1. Three new gardeners are moving into three small raised beds - there has been a good retention rate this year!
 - 6.5.2. Seedy Sunday is coming up this Sunday. Suzanne Cook will be giving a talk.
 - 6.5.2.1. Jacquie would like to give Suzanna a gift. Yes, there are funds.
 - 6.5.3. Edmonton Tool Library: is near Borden Park, near Concordia.
 - 6.5.3.1. The SCCL is a member of the tool library, but our membership needs to be renewed. Bernie will look into this.
 - 6.5.4. May 7th will be the date for a discussion at the hall about local food : Local Food Day 1-3pm
- 6.6. Diversity & Inclusion - Amy Gainer Lauren Muusse
 - 6.6.1. Sub-committee: currently 4 people, may have a 5th
 - 6.6.1.1. Decided on how to organize the sub-committee
 - 6.6.1.2. Agreed to organize around event planning
 - 6.6.1.3. Four upcoming events: NIPD, Pride Yoga, Family Dance, Hard reduction
 - 6.6.2. By-stander/de-escalation training: would be useful for community members and event organizers to participate in this kind of training. Looking into this kind of training with the Mustard Seed and Sexual Assault Center
 - 6.6.3. Got the "Park People" grant. Were awarded \$2000. Focus of the grant is interacting with outdoor space. Will be using this grant for three events. Will be threading in an outdoor theme with these events.
 - 6.6.4. Planning to have an expert come to the board to talk about the housing crisis, harm reduction needs in the city
 - 6.6.5. [Motion: Diversity & Inclusion Spend](#)

Motion: To spend \$2000 on three D&I events before October 2023, projected spend directly from Parks People grant

Moved by: Lauren Muusse

Seconded: Jeanie McDonnell

Discussion:

- If we don't spend all of the money, do we need to give the money back?
- Jacquie suggested to talk to Suzanne Cook about native plants
- Nathan suggested having the spend happen before January 2024

Carried

6.7. [Programs](#) - Donna Fong

- 6.7.1. Registrations for yoga and Eccentrics May/June session opens soon
- 6.7.2. Board games meetup - had 9 people show up
- 6.7.3. Free Legal Education Program - dates have been secured. Sally will promote the event.
 - 6.7.3.1. Exec will discuss process for running programs like this and will discuss potential conflict of interest
- 6.7.4. Community Swim program: Sept 10 2023 - August 31 2024 will cost \$1000 for 50 Sundays (\$10/hour x 2 hour x 50)
- 6.7.5. Next Newsletter deadline is May 26th

6.8. [Wellness & Safety](#) - Gord Lacey

- 6.8.1. OSACC: Boyle Street Overdose Prevention Site has been appealed to Sub-Division Appeal Board. This appeal may be about the zoning or variances - something to do with the building. The site also hasn't been approved by the province.
- 6.8.2. Community librarian at Strathcona has moved to Stanley Milner

6.9. [Memberships](#) - Bernie Roessler

- 6.9.1. Memberships are up!
- 6.9.2. May 5th : volunteer appreciation event in evening, 7-9:30pm
 - 6.9.2.1. Send list of members to Bernie
 - 6.9.2.2. Need board members to help out at event
 - 6.9.2.3. Maureen and Jeanie will discuss possible lifetime memberships

6.10. Vice President - Sally Hammell

6.10.1. [HGRC Report](#)

- 6.10.1.1. HGRC has applied for large CLIP grant (to max of \$400k) from City
- 6.10.1.2. Is starting CFEP (Provincial) grant
- 6.10.1.3. Want to start on work in the summer
- 6.10.1.4. Working to bring budget to board in May for the rink - budget is built assuming the CLIP grant
- 6.10.1.5. Jason asked whether we can change our scope depending on which grants we get
- 6.10.1.6. Meeting today with a landscape architect and the city
- 6.10.1.7. Research into what other community leagues are doing
- 6.10.1.8. Will apply for a development permit, if the city says that we

- need one
- 6.10.1.9. Bernie asked whether these are all-or-nothing grants. Lindsay said that the CLIP grant generally gives what people ask, but you could get less.

6.10.2. [Motion: HGRC Preliminary Spending](#)

Motion: That the Board approve HGRC expenditures for preliminary assessment work regarding the rink move up to \$5000

Moved by: Sally Hammell

Seconded: Bernie Roessler

Discussion:

- Would like to do some preliminary assessment to assess drainage, do preliminary engineering
- Thurber Engineering will do the assessments
- How much will the engineering cost be? Answer: \$4400 - it's just a core sample. We have a drainage map from the city.
- John noted that if we don't get the CLIP grant then we may not start on the project yet and this engineering money may be a throw-away cost. Jackie noted that we can apply next year.
- Maureen would like to know what the reserves are. John noted that the balance sheet shows the reserves.

Carried

6.11. [Communications](#) - Sally Hammell

- 6.11.1. Trend is upwards for followers

6.12. [Civics & Planning](#) - Maureen Duguay Emily Graca

- 6.12.1. Attended EFCL special general meeting - budget had a \$122k deficit which wasn't realized until they made the budget

6.12.1.1. Because of this there won't be as many workshops (which we pay for with our league memberships)

6.12.1.2. The only workshops that they will have are inclusion workshops

6.12.2. Have upgraded the website

6.12.3. Former dry cleaner will be converted to a restaurant and cafe

6.12.4. Friends of Scona Rec is considering naming the new rec center after Kiviaq, an Inuit athlete and lawyer

6.12.4.1. Nathan will follow up with the organization about the naming convention where people's names are used

6.13. [Green](#) - Darcy Stevens Jason Unger

6.13.1. Mill Creek clean up - May 6th - will finalize and send info to Sally

6.13.2. Big bin - June 24 or July 22

6.13.3. Reviewing single use plastic policy at the hall

6.14. Secretary - Katie Krause : [Non-profit board student Internship](#)

- 6.14.1. Need two mentors: let Katie know by end of May if you are interested in co-mentoring

7. **Adjournment:**

Moved by: Gord Lacey

Seconded by: Landon Schedler

Carried

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

Date: May 8th 2023

Katie Krause
Secretary