



**Strathcona Centre Community League
Board Meeting Minutes - In Person
Monday, May 8, 2023**

Chairperson: Nathan Carroll

Attendees: Katie Krause , John de Haan , Sally Hammell , Gord Lacey, Donna Fong ,
Maureen Duguay, Jason Unger, Bernie Roessler , Emily Graca, Jacquie Devlin , Farhana
Nurani, Amy Gainer, Lindsay Vander Hoek,

Absent: Jeanie McDonnell, Landon Schedler, Scott Wright, Lauren Muusse, Darcy Stevens

1. **Discussion & Treats**

1.1. Guiding Principles for the [Public Realms Discussion](#)

2. **Call to order:** 7:31pm

3. **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion: To adopt the [Agenda 2023-05-08](#) agenda as presented.

Moved by: John de Haan

Seconded by: Bernie Roessler

Carried

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

Motion: [Board Meeting Minutes - 2023-04-17](#) were read and accepted.

Moved by: John de Haan

Seconded by: Maureen Duguay

Discussion : None

Carried

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

5.1. [NRC Update](#)

5.1.1. Summer Streets Returning

5.1.2. Partners in Parks - volunteer to beautify parks and green spaces

5.1.3. Changes around food trucks

5.1.4. E-bike/scooter: is there a fine from the city when they are
misparked?

6. Reports

- 6.1. Treasurer - John de Haan
 - 6.1.1. Ahead of budget by \$19k on operating (budgeted) amounts
 - 6.1.2. Spends on upgrades to facility - over \$5k this fiscal year (e.g. motion sensors for washrooms)
 - 6.1.3. The reason that we are doing well is because of income. Spends are mostly as budgeted.

Motion: To approve Treasurer Report As Presented
Moved by: John de Haan
Seconded: Donna Fong
Carried
 - 6.1.4. Budget planning: Next board meeting we will approve the operating budget
 - 6.1.4.1. John will send out spreadsheet of last three years spending and will ask that everyone plan for next fiscal year's spending
 - 6.1.4.2. Sally noted that we want the board to approve spending for this summer on improvements to the grounds
 - 6.1.4.3. Maureen asked about the capital improvements - should we budget for small improvements to the building? John noted that this is the operating budget for the league.
- 6.2. Green - Darcy Stevens Jason Unger
 - 6.2.1. Mill Creek cleanup was successful
 - 6.2.2. Big Bin event on June 24th - with Freecycling
 - 6.2.3. Spring bike tuneup
 - 6.2.3.1. Sally asked about whether we should coordinate with the Police bike training
- 6.3. Memberships - Bernie Roessler
 - 6.3.1. Volunteer event was great
 - 6.3.1.1. Had close to 60 people attended
 - 6.3.1.2. Event was under-budget so would like to use the rest of the money to make a lifetime member wall
 - 6.3.2. Lifetime memberships - would like to have a a card for lifetime members
- 6.4. Diversity & Inclusion - Amy Gainer Lauren Muusse
 - 6.4.1. Bystander Intervention Training: June 1st 5:30pm-8:30pm in the Lounge
 - 6.4.1.1. Mustard Seed and the Sexual Assault Center will be providing the training
 - 6.4.2. Indigenous People's Event: June 25th
 - 6.4.2.1. Focus on Two Spirit education
 - 6.4.3. Pride Yoga: May 28th 10am-11:30am in the rink
 - 6.4.3.1. All ages, all experience levels
 - 6.4.4. Edmonton Pride is in August - at same time as Fringe
 - 6.4.4.1. Pride Family Dance Party will be in August

Motion: [Event funding motion](#) To fund a de-escalation and bystander intervention training for Diversity and Inclusion volunteers, community league and community members.

Moved by: Amy Gainer

Seconded by: Jacquie Devlin

Discussion:

Communicate that there is a cap.

Max is 40 people - according to Scott

Make a Google Form for RSVPs

Can't pay anyone more than \$500 for honorariums

Carried

6.5. [Social](#) - Farhana Nurani

6.5.1. Volunteer Appreciation Night was a success - 50/160 came

6.5.1.1. Note: popping balloons set off alarm system

6.5.2. Future event : Fall BBQ for Sunday September 17th

6.5.2.1. Put in a city grant application to see if we can make this a mini folk fest

6.6. Building & Grounds - Landon Schedler

6.7. [Hall Use](#) - Jeanie McDonnell , Scott Wright

6.7.1. One of the lounge bathrooms has been decommissioned for the Nursery School

6.7.2. April was a busy month for rentals

6.8. [Garden](#) - Jacquie Devlin

6.8.1. 7 new gardeners

6.8.2. Seedy Sunday event on Sunday April 23rd with Suzanne Cook was well attended

6.8.3. Garden Newsletter can be sent to Communications to be shared with the community at large

6.8.4. Jacquie had to take on Steering Community Chair position - she has divided the work up among other volunteers

6.9. [Programs](#) - Donna Fong

6.9.1. The EFCL is starting a pilot e-sports program at 5 community leagues. We could apply.

6.9.1.1. Would be on one Saturday. Would need a projector.

6.9.2. Programs are ahead of budget - yoga is very popular

6.9.3. Next Newsletter deadline is May 26

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

6.10.1. Contacted the city about off-leash dogs in the ravine

6.10.2. Got a quote about removing a tree from the property to put in storage

Motion: [Tree Removal Funding](#) To set aside no more than \$2000 to have the tree in the North-West corner of the building removed, and apply for a Public Tree Removal permit

Moved by: Gord Lacey

Seconded by: Amy Gainer

Discussion:

- Lindsay will help Gord to get a permit from the city - if it is even needed.
- This storage is needed for cold storage for the rink and may host the air conditioning on top
- John would like to see items like this getting approved as part of a bigger plan - Sally noted that this is part of the plan that will be discussed during the HGRC update

Carried - 1 opposed

6.11. Vice President - Sally Hammell

6.11.1. [HGRC Update](#)

6.11.1.1. City recommended a geotechnical assessment - was done on May 3rd - waiting on report

6.11.1.2. There are several recommendation that may come as an online motion soon

- Resurfacing the tennis court with asphalt
- Reuse rink supports
- Relocate the rink to the tennis court footprint
- Discussion:
 - What if there is no CLIP funding? We would have to drastically reduce the project funding or put it off until the next grant. Note that we've committed to redoing the interior for the nursery school
 - The wording of the motion would have to be contingent on getting the CLIP grant (in June).
 - John would like to have a motion dedicated about the rink
 - Is there some discussion that needs to be done with the city in order to change the storage structure to be affiliated with the rink and the not the hall? Scott noted that this accessory building will not be physically attached to the building. Sally and Lindsay will email each other about this.

6.11.1.3. Met with GOA admin about the large CFEP grant

- Need a 5 year operating budget
 - John asked about whether this encompasses the entire operating budget for the building/grounds or whether it is just about the changes that is covered by the grant. Need to look into this.
- Suggested to speak to the minister of culture and our MLA to explain our great project (after May 29th)
 - Do we need a motion to reach out? John said no - the project is already approved.

6.11.1.4. HGRC todo's:

- Complete application document and business case
- Finalize budget
- Create motion for board to approve work for the summer (2023)

- 6.12. [Communications](#) - Sally Hammell
- 6.12.1. [Public Events at the League - Website Page Content](#)
- 6.12.1.1. New content for the website to help community members with event planning and understand how the community league can support members who see something is missing in the community
- 6.12.1.2. Will be put on website under League
- 6.12.1.3. Might be helpful to have an FAQ to help community members
- 6.12.1.4. It might be interesting to engage with other community leagues and take out an ad in the newsletter to highlight what a community league does
- 6.13. [Civics & Planning](#) - Maureen Duguay Emily Graca
- 6.13.1. New zoning bylaw is a concern - there are lots of changes (e.g. setbacks, site coverage garden suites...).
- 6.13.1.1. 800 page document
- 6.13.1.2. Citizens group would like to have different scenarios modeled.
- 6.13.1.3. The concern is that this citizen group is not part of the EFCL
- 6.13.1.4. City is trying to streamline the development process - and not have so many variance requests
- 6.13.2. Public Realm is still in early stages of planning
- 6.13.2.1. Committee is concerned that without a commitment by the city to better transit down Whyte and without moving traffic to 76 St the plan will fail
- 6.13.3.

Motion: [Motion for 8305 99st](#) To request approval for a letter to Mayor and Council to explain our position regarding Bylaw 2023 going forth on May 15 2023

Moved by: Maureen Duguay

Seconded by: Farhana Nurani

Discussion:

- Letter needs some editing to make it clear what the letter is about.
- Previously was the development zoned for commercial development? Yes - but now the developer is not going to put commercial on the ground floor. The community league is opposing the change from DC2 to RF zoning

Carried

7. Online Motions:

- 7.1. [SCCL Motion Lifetime Memberships](#) : Passed

8. Adjournment:

Moved by: Bernie Roessler

Seconded by: Farhana Nurani

Carried

● **Next Meetings** (in person and zoom option available)

- June Board Meeting: Monday June 5th, 2023, 6:45pm
- September Board Meeting: Monday September 11th 2023, 6:45pm
- October Board Meeting: Monday October 16th, 6:45pm
- November AGM: Monday November 20th, 6:30pm
- December Board Meeting: Monday December 11th, 6:45pm

Date: June 5th 2023

Katie Krause
Secretary