



**Strathcona Centre Community League  
Board Meeting Minutes - In Person  
Monday, May 12th 2025**

*We acknowledge the traditional lands and territories of the Indigenous Peoples who have lived on these lands and taken care of them since time immemorial. We are on Treaty 6 territory, as well as, the historical regional homeland of the Métis, which includes the North Saskatchewan River Territory, the Lesser Slave Lake Territory, and the Lower Athabasca Territory. We acknowledge and respect the histories, languages, and diverse cultures of the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit and are grateful for their contributions that continue to enrich our communities.*

**Chairperson:** Gord Lacey

**Attendees:** John de Haan , Sally Hammell , Connie Mar , Jeanie McDonnell , Janice Bogner, Jason Unger , Nathan Carroll , Emily Graca , Katie Krause , Sabine Roche, Amy Gainer, Lauren Muusse, Selena Matthews, Roger Tassie , Jacquie Devlin

**Absent:** Donna Fong , Matthew Hethcoat , Susan Kankkunen,

1. **Call to order:** 6:07 pm
2. **Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion:** To adopt the [SCCL Board Meeting Agenda 2025-05-12](#) agenda as presented.

**Moved by:** Nathan Carroll

**Seconded by:** Roger Tassie

**Carried**

3. **Approval of Minutes of last board meeting**

**Motion:** [SCCL Board Meeting Minutes 2025-04-14](#) were read and accepted

**Moved by:** Jeanie McDonnell

**Seconded by:** Roger Tassie

**Carried**

#### 4. Reports

##### 4.1. President update - Gord Lacey

- 4.1.1. May 27th : Scona District Meeting 7-9pm
- 4.1.2. June 3 : Edmonton Federation of Community League's AGM
- 4.1.3. Steve & Dan (Fruit) is having a community league fundraiser, where we can sell their produce and get money for the league

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

- 4.2.1. If you know of crimes, report them because EPS uses that data
- 4.2.2. Crime Stats are pretty stable over the past few months
- 4.2.3. Tomorrow is the OSAAC meeting

##### 4.3. [Treasurer](#) - John de Haan

- 4.3.1. We are tracking \$13054 behind budget at this point. We will probably end the fiscal year \$7000 in surplus.
- 4.3.2. Have over \$1,541,128 in our accounts, but the renewal will take just under \$1,500,000.
- 4.3.3. Next casino will be Q1 2026
- 4.3.4. There will be an email coming around to ask what everyone needs from the budget for next year. Will discuss at June meeting. John will provide numbers from the past three years. The expectation is that you would ask for something similar or different based on past experience.

**Motion:** to approve the Treasurer's report as presented

**Moved by:** John de Haan

**Seconded by:** Nathan Carroll

**Carried**

##### 4.4. [Civics & Planning](#) - Sabine Roche

- 4.4.1. 83rd Ave will be shutdown July 19-20, July 26-27, Aug 2-3, Aug 30-31 (but not in evening) for more pedestrian traffic. This is a move to entirely pedestrian-wise the avenue. You will have to walk your bike through there (which may not be popular).
- 4.4.2. They are adding extra bike parking near Farmer's market
- 4.4.3. A number of rezoning approvals are noted in the report.
- 4.4.4. Motion has passed at City Council to limit the ability of single lot up-zonings outside of District Plans/nodes and corridors.
  - A corridor is Whyte Ave, 99 St, Jasper Ave

##### 4.5. Hall Use - Jeanie McDonnell

- 4.5.1. No major updates over the past month
- 4.5.2. Busy with HGRC
- 4.5.3. We have an anonymous donation from someone in the community to put an official "sport court" into the rink.

##### 4.6. Building and Grounds - Roger Tassie

- 4.6.1. Welcome back Scott!
- 4.6.2. Looking at getting the field where the old rink (the "South Lawn") was a bit more user friendly
- 4.6.3. Starting to think about taking apart the main floor and putting things into storage this fall. Might get another bin.

- 4.7. [Green](#) - Jason Unger
- 4.7.1. Bike tune-up event was April 27. A lot of people came out.
  - 4.7.2. The Mill Creek Ravine clean-up will have to be deferred
  - 4.7.3. Big bin - is parking lot available on June 14th or 21st? No. The parking lot is available on June 28th.
- 4.8. Memberships - Matthew Hethcoat
- 4.8.1. No report.
- 4.9. [Social](#) - Emily Graca
- 4.9.1. Can the community league write a letter of support for the application for Permanent Residence on Humanitarian and Compassionate grounds for a volunteer in our community? Answer: yes, Gord will take this on.
  - 4.9.2. New popcorn maker has been purchased. Anyone can use it for events.
  - 4.9.3. Pub night happened on April 25th and Movie Night on Friday May 2nd was a success.
  - 4.9.4. Mini folk fest is TBD. Emily and Nathan will meet to discuss.
- 4.10. [Diversity & Inclusion](#) - Amy Gainer Lauren Muusse
- 4.10.1. June is Pride Month and Indigenous People History Month!
  - 4.10.2. There will be Pride Yoga (June 7th) and 2S Drag Bingo (June 29th)
    - Can borrow a bingo set
    - Will be getting prizes to give a way - from local artists. Will be posting on social media to promote these artists.
  - 4.10.3. Beading workshops will happen this summer - need to select dates
  - 4.10.4. There was an encampment starting on the grounds. Scott asked them to move on.
  - 4.10.5. Lauren asked whether we should have a needle drop-off bucket. Scott said that there is one in the office and he has kevlar gloves to pick up needles from the yard.
- 4.11. [Sport & Fitness](#) - Connie Mar Selena Matthews
- 4.11.1. June bike month challenge - name is "SCCL, the wheel deal!"
    - Need to make a Strava account for the SCCL
  - 4.11.2. Funball starts this Wednesday. Is it possible to hold it in the rink? It is available - but it might not be super comfortable. Connie will discuss with Claire. They could use the South Lawn - and put caution tape around the light standards to have a visual barrier.
  - 4.11.3. June 8 is next sip and stroll
  - 4.11.4. Sip and roll had 14 people - 7 adults and 7 babies

- 4.12. [Garden](#) - Jacquie Devlin, Janice Bogner
- 4.12.1. Spring AGM was held on April 27 at 5:30 at the hall. Talked about increasing the fees by \$5 next year.
  - 4.12.2. Chicken wire is being put up around plots to form a barrier to theft
  - 4.12.3. Decided to do another survey about theft and will ask about whether they have put up fencing around their plot
  - 4.12.4. 8 new gardeners
  - 4.12.5. There will be new signs painted and some new signs professionally done to prevent theft
  - 4.12.6. The seedling/seed exchange was held on May 10th and was well attended - by mostly gardeners from the group
  - 4.12.7. Edmonton Historical Board has asked whether the community garden wants to work with them to get historical designation for the garden. Jacquie will bring this up to their steering committee.
- 4.13. [HGRC](#) - Sally Hammell
- 4.13.1. Have submitted the Concept Business Case to the City for their review. After this approvals and permits happen.
  - 4.13.2. Working the architects to finalize the design. Then will be moving on to engineering drawings.
  - 4.13.3. Does anyone want to do a time capsule project? A time capsule could go into a space in the hall (under the stairs?) during the renovations.
- 4.14. [Communications](#) - Sally Hammell
- 4.14.1. Instagram and Facebook followers are up. Need more Bluesky followers.
  - 4.14.2. Amy noted that people hear about the beading workshops from the email newsletter
- 4.15. [Programs and Newsletter](#) - Donna Fong
- 4.15.1. Email items for the June-July issue of Community League News South to me before May 24th
    - Jason Unger needs to let Donna know what day will be used for Big Bin event before this.
  - 4.15.2. Discounted indoor movie license rate for community leagues with Audio Cine Films: \$375 plus GST.

**Motion:** to pay \$375 plus GST for an indoor movie license for the community league

**Moved by:** John de Haan

**Seconded by:** Nathan Carroll

**Carried**

5. [NRC Report](#) - Susan Kankkunen
- 5.1. Report reviewed
  - 5.2. Reuse center small appliance swap on May 17th
  - 5.3. City hall fountains turn on May 17th

6. **Adjournment**

**Moved by:** John de Haan

**Seconded by:** Nathan Carroll

**Carried**

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

- Monday June 9th 2025 6:45pm

Zoom Info:

- Meeting ID: 831 5202 8291
- Passcode: 258980

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Minutes reviewed and signed :

Katie Krause

Secretary, SCCL