



**Strathcona Centre Community League
Board Meeting Minutes - In Person
Monday, March 9th 2026**

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: Scott Wright , Katie Krause , Sally Hammell , Roger Tassie , Donna Fong , John de Haan , Sabine Roche , Connie Mar, Selena Matthews, Jason Unger , Farhana Nurani, Lauren Muusse

Absent: Jacquie Devlin , Janice Bogner, Matthew Hethcoat , Jeanie McDonnell , Emily Graca , Amy Gainer, Susan Kankkunen

1. **Call to order:** 7:00 pm

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion: To adopt the [SCCL Board Meeting Agenda 2026-03-09](#) agenda as presented.

Moved by: Sally Hammell

Seconded by: Selena Matthews

Carried

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

Motion: [SCCL Board Meeting Minutes - 2026-02-09](#) were read and accepted

Moved by: Roger Tassie

Seconded by: Sally Hammell

Carried

4. Reports

4.1. President Update - Gord Lacey

- 4.1.1. No update - all updates are part of HGRC

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

- 4.2.1. We've had multiple off-leash dogs around the league. Will reach out to animal control.
- 4.2.2. New graphs for Strathcona Crime stats!
- 4.2.3. OSACC is every two months now - next meeting is April 14th. At the previous meeting there was a good turn out. EPS was there and some agencies and churches attended.

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

- 4.3.1. \$12.5k ahead of budget. Doing well. No financial concerns.
- 4.3.2. Rink operations were higher since we purchased some items for the rink. But there is less work to do on the rinks since there is just the big rink.

Motion: To approve the Treasurer's Report

Moved by: John de Haan

Seconded by: Donna Fong

Carried

4.4. [Green](#) - Jason Unger

- 4.4.1. Mill Creek cleanup is being considered
 - Grant is coming up
- 4.4.2. Need to pick a date for Big Bin. Is June or July better? Farhana was talking about a swap.

4.5. [Sport & Fitness](#) - Connie Mar Selena Matthews

- 4.5.1. Sports day planning is ongoing.
 - This would be on a weekend in May or June.
 - There was some back and forth with the city about getting access to the King Edward school field, but now they say that we need the school's permission.
- 4.5.2. Funball
 - A new coordinator has expressed interest in running this.
 - Are there any tshirts left over from last year? Probably not many since they only bought enough for the number of kids last year.

4.6. [Diversity & Inclusion](#) - Amy Gainer Lauren Muusse

- 4.6.1. Book club has need leads - Lisa and Randi
 - Need a corporate EPL library card for taking out book kits
 - Need league access on book club nights
 - Asking for a budget for snack and drinks - from the D&I budget
- 4.6.2. Pride Yoga will be May - June
 - Can have on south lawn
- 4.6.3. Event around the National Indigenous People's Day - end of June

4.7. [Communication](#) - Sally Hammell

- 4.7.1. Followers are generally up on social media
- 4.7.2. Digital subscribers are down because John has been deleting emails that bounce. We have a high open rate for the digital newsletter (~50%)
- 4.7.3. Upcoming communications are about the casino, SNS open house and pub night

4.8. [Social](#) - Emily Graca & Farhana Nurani

- 4.8.1. Volunteer appreciation is scheduled for May 9th 7:30-9:30pm.
 - Youth are invited
 - Wine tasting
 - Need a greeter - President and Vice President
 - Need wine tasting support people
 - Also need help for decorations and setup the hour before
- 4.8.2. Running club
- 4.8.3. Spring swap
 - Would need a sub committee for organizing this
 - Gardening tools and equipment
 - Women's wear, kid's wear
- 4.8.4. Extra food from Winterfest has been moved to the upstairs freezer

4.9. [HGRC](#) - Sally Hammell

- 4.9.1. Construction has started downstairs and Keller has set up an office downstairs
- 4.9.2. There was a safety meeting
- 4.9.3. Demolition starts next week
- 4.9.4. Abatement needed for hallway tiles (asbestos) and vermiculite in exterior walls
- 4.9.5. Potentially have a bit more money to spend, so are looking at a keyless entry, air conditioning
- 4.9.6. There is a mural sub-committee
- 4.9.7. Schedule says that the work will be done and hand over on July 3rd

4.10. [Building & Grounds](#) - Roger Tassie

- 4.10.1. Have been working on the ice. Should have a couple more weeks of ice time.
- 4.10.2. Lots of work to get the building ready for Keller.
- 4.10.3. Main floor is closed until after the occupancy permit (which is after Keller leaves)
- 4.10.4. Foosball table - has been put into furnace room
 - We can get a new one or used one, but should definitely have one in the new space
 - Commercial foosball table have telescoping rods - Gord has been doing some research. A reasonably priced foosball table will be \$3000.
 - Should we just throw out the old one that we have? Will decide later
 - Sally and Lauren will talk about neighbourhood kids fundraising for the new foosball table.
- 4.10.5. Add an automatic defibrillator to the list of things to put into the main floor
 - May need to get two - one for each floor
 - Also need a first aid kit

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

- 4.11.1. Engagement for Scona Road and 93 Ave.
 - Clarity is asking for zoning for up to 8 stories. They are doing this engagement prior to a formal rezoning application. It is assumed that they will proceed with a rezoning application. We think they are trying to make the property more attractive for a buyer.
 - Sabine feels that this will likely pass through City Council
 - The Civics committee is meeting this week. May want a community response to this.
 - The alley might be a pinch point
 - May have underground parking
 - We think houses beyond it may be shaded a fair amount
 - Does the SCCL board have any opinions on this project? What if the committee wants to have a joint statement with the SCCL?

- Community members will have different opinions
 - In the past the community league has offered space for a public meeting, but the written responses are due on Saturday
 - There will be a communication coming out to give the community members a chance to give feedback online
 - Clarity is running this engagement themselves in a sort of pre-application manner. Likely to gather feedback from the neighbourhood prior to seeking formal rezoning.
- 4.11.2. Rezoning for 101 St and 81 Ave. Updating to rezone to updated guidelines.
 - Technically not within our community
- 4.11.3. Paths for People didn't come to the committee last meeting
- 4.12. [Programs](#) - Donna Fong
 - 4.12.1. Registered league programs started on March 2nd
 - 4.12.2. Donna is willing to host a family movie night on Friday March 27th 6:30pm. Need to pick a movie.
 - 4.12.3. Yesterday there were 10 community league members at the Commonwealth rec centre. The water slide was closed for maintenance though.
- 4.13. [Garden](#) - Janice Bogner Jacquie Devlin
 - 4.13.1. Report reviewed
 - 4.13.2. Spring AGM is on April 12th at 5:30pm at the hall.
- 4.14. Memberships - Matthew Hethcoat
- 5. [March NRC Report](#) - Susan Kankkunen
 - 5.1. Community Mural Grant - we won't be applying for this since the new building mural will be indoors
 - 5.2. Have a \$5000 grant to make one of our washrooms accessible from the outside. We could consider it for later years.
- 6. [CL planning schedule](#)
- 7. **Adjournment of Official Meeting**
Moved by: Farhana Nurani
Seconded by: Roger Tassie
Carried

Next Meetings (in person and zoom option available)

- Monday April 13th 2026 6:45pm
- Monday May 11th 2026 6:45pm
- Monday June 8th 2026 6:45pm

Zoom Info:

- Meeting ID: 831 5202 8291
 - Passcode: 258980
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Minutes reviewed and signed :

Katie Krause,

SCCL Secretary