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Community Association Meeting Agenda

April 11, 2017 at 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Attendees: Mike Wilhelm, Beatrice Wilhelm, Rob Armstrong, Phil Michaud, Heather Stubbs,

Guests: James Runge, Zach Bennett

Absent: Phil Ivers Jeremy Coates, David Hawthorn, John Van Hemert,

Meeting Called to order 6:35

Beth Tingle, Errol Stewart and Josephine Amos came in at 6:45 p.m.

I. Approval of minutes of the March 14, 2017 meeting.

Motion to approve the Minutes from March 14, 2017: B. Wilhelm

Seconded: P. Michaud

Approved

II. Acknowledgments

a) City Report – James Runge

Grant available for redoing kitchen or other capital project – Community Initiatives Program (CIP) through the Government of Alberta provides grants up to \$75,000.00. James can help with the application process. Application deadline is June 15, 2017 and we need a motion to approve the grant application. . \$75,000 max on that. Deadline for that is June 15, 2017. We will need a motion to apply for grant.

Park n plays coming up in nearby communities, Rosscarrock and Killarney. City run day camp where parents can drop off kids for the day.

TAME (Taking Action to Manage Energy) program through Government of Alberta subsidizes energy audits to help move towards more energy efficient buildings. The Community Association cannot apply on its own. The City applies on our behalf. We need to get in touch with James who can put us in touch with right city person.

Report on Public Council Hearing for Main Streets held April 10-11, 2017. Thanks to those who attended. The hearing was just finishing as this meeting was being held. The participants from Shaganappi received a shout out from Mayor Nenshi and Counsellor Wooley on excellent consultation. No one was opposed to the propose project and lots of residents were there in support of it. The issue will be voted on later today –first and second reading. Third reading not until May 8 so it can be tied to financial aspect of plan.

- b) Receipt of Grant monies – thanks to the team for bringing that through to fruition.
- c) Emergency Repair grant for furnace – thanks to James Runge for his assistance with that process.
- d) Crowchild plan progress on sound and landscaping and plan for April 19 meeting for transportation and transit.

Mike Wilhelm was at meeting last night. He and other representatives from Shaganappi and Scarboro are going to present as a group on the 19th of April in council chambers. The goal will be to talk about the ideas we want included in the plan, even if the current thought is that the ideas will not be incorporated in top the design. The reality is that the plan will be many years old by the time it's implemented so we want our ideas in the plan so they can be potentially be implemented or at least considered at that time. Evan Wooley will let us know what time we can speak to the matter.

- e) Workshop on Federation of Calgary Communities Strategy – thanks to David Hawthorn for representing the SCA. .

III. Resources

- a) Questions on Financials

Casino Account: Balance of \$1,170.05 as at March 31, 2017

General Account: Balance of \$35,311.81 as of March 31, 2017

AGLC report ending March 31 – completed and sent it to AGLC. AGLC report is required to account for the where we spent the casino funds. The report was included in the audit package which was delivered to the federation of Calgary communities on Monday.

All books are in for audit. New individual appointed by federation to complete audit.

Current reports have been circulated.

- b) Update on Hall Renovations

We are still waiting on delivery of the lights. Once the lights are in, the renovations will be complete. There is only a \$1,000 holdback from the grant pending the completion of the lighting.

- c) Tennis and Rink light replacement – Report on Grant Application – Phil Michaud.

We met the deadline for the grant application for tennis court and rink light replacement. Beatrice and Phil Michaud worked on application. The application was for \$17,000 which, based on the 2 quotes received, would cover the full cost of the project. The grant is being processed and we will likely hear back within about 6 weeks. LED lights would significantly positively impact electricity costs.

- d) Annual Gully Cleanup date – Set date for April 30 – 10:00 a.m. to noon with a bbq lunch to follow. Will also distribute membership drive packages to target houses that have not recently been members.
- e) Membership signs - Phil I. can proceed to arrange for signs advertising the membership drive as in past years.

- f) Creek – Trout unlimited project continues. Next events will occur on April 22 (harvesting more cuttings) and May 7 (planting the cuttings in the gully). Ron will organize a subgroup of volunteers on cleanup day to remove some of the Cotoneaster that was sprayed. We can also advertise for volunteers on the website and notify the school as well.
- g) Traffic - School in discussion with City about traffic issues. Kimberly Fisher is the representative from active transportation education planning. They are doing a study on traffic issues around the school. That study is ongoing and may result in positive changes to traffic flow. Parents are not acting responsibly when dropping off kids. School very aware of problem and want to educate parents. The solution may involve a drop zone a block or so away from the school.

IV. Open discussion – Community Association values and role when it comes to development.

The question for discussion is what our role as a Community Association should be when it comes to development and individual development applications. How do we approach development as a community? To what extent do we support development or oppose it.

The Community Association needs to find a balance between respecting individual property rights and recognizing the value of development to the Community as a whole.

One of the main jobs of the Association should be to ensure that information is disseminated so that people who want to be engaged have the information necessary to become engaged.

The Community Association should strive to find consensus by engaging major stakeholders at early stages of development projects. Our role should be to inform and facilitate but we should not necessarily be taking an official stance on individual streets because that is not our role.

We can provide context for changes and historical information to inform discussions. Our role should be to provide information, not to provide advocacy for one position over another.

Our experience has taught us that where the process did not engage community members in other communities the residents ended up not being happy and dissenting. Experience demonstrates the value of engagement in finding consensus among community members when it comes to development projects.

We as a Community Association need to be clear with our members that we have role to play in providing information. We need to be clear in our communications so that people understand what is going on.

It is primarily the City's obligation to make communication clear between them and residents but the Community Association can augment that as a service to its members. The Community Association also has a role to play advocating for better communication from the City to residents.

One of the lessons learned from the recent process involving Main Streets is that the early communications from the City were so abstract and broad that people did not know what was going on until much later in the process. The Community Association can play a role in helping members understand what is going on early in the process when community members can still make a difference. We do need to be somewhat cautious in that we cannot take on the burden that is the City's when it comes to notification – that is first and foremost the City's job but we can serve our member with additional information from our planning committee.

We have excellent relationships with planners. That gives us the opportunity to have a dialogue with the planners that many communities do not have.

The discussion turned to issues relating to Board engagement.

All Board members have role to play in board recruitment and rejuvenation. It is important to invite new members to join the Board and to mentor them. We need to preserve and maintain relationships so it important to introduce new Board members to existing connections and help them develop into the roles so when people want to step away we are not leaving gaps.

Need to provide personal wins for volunteers. As a Board we need to explore how to provide value to volunteers for being on the Community Association Board.

We need to move forward with the East side survey on what residents want to see from community. David has agreed to use email contact list to facilitate survey. We may also want to look at a broader survey of all residents.

V. Adjournment of Meeting

Motion to Adjourn: Errol Stewart