

FINAL

Strathcona, Christie, Aspen Community Association (SCA) **Board Meeting Minutes** **January 15, 2014**

Board Attendance:

Maureen Smith, President
Andy Kneubuhler, Past President
Kewal Khakh, Treasurer
Sohaib Wasif, Vice President/Business and Strategic Planning
Shelley Bartole, Traffic & Membership (Aspen)
Carrie Ferguson, Development
Azad Chandler, Christie Recreation
Roy Kuhnlein, Casino
Mustafa Abalrahman, Membership

Also Attending:

Guillaume Remond, Communication & Communities Liaison, Ward 6

Item 1: Additions to Agenda

None

Item 2: Review and Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

None

Item 3: Safety Minute

Mustafa Abalrahman advised the Board that the brick sign/gateway on Aspen Stone Boulevard had been damaged. It was determined that repair of the sign would either rest with the Homeowners' Association or the developer.

Item 4: Guest Speakers

Empowering Minds – Michael Stevens and Scott Barry

Michael Stevens and Scott Barry made a presentation to the Board outlining the Empowering Minds program. Empowering Minds is a program designed to engage teens. The Board agreed that we would like to share this program with the Community and would welcome another presentation that would be offered to the Community at large.

Item 5: Directors' Reports

President's Report – Maureen Smith

Grants

Maureen Smith advised the Board that all final Grant Reports have been filed and money received. The only outstanding Grant is the Amateur Sport Grant – final report to be filed once the 'rink' season is over.

The next round of CFEP and CCG applications will include the following projects:

- Life Cycle Study
- Kitchen Renovation
- Floor scrubber – janitorial
- Outside back stairs to Strathcona Road
- Resurfacing tennis courts - Strathcona and Christie
- Community Garden Expansion and subsidy
- Outside signage for the building

CIIF Media Event

The following quote was supplied for the above event: "The CIIF investment has provided the Strathcona Christie Aspen Community Association an opportunity to enhance the accessibility of the facility by building a wheelchair accessible washroom, among other projects. This will not only be a benefit to our current users but will also qualify us as an emergency facility, the importance of which has been made clear by this summer's floods."

Attending this media event was part of our commitment when we received the grant funding.

Main Hall and Bow Valley Music Club (BVMC)

Construction of the stage is mostly complete, awaiting a final billing from Trevor Lakatos.

FCC Volunteer Appreciation Event

LOC

Maureen Smith advised the Board that the first part of the SCA's LOC with the City has been signed. This part of the lease is only between the City and the SCA. The second part of the LOC is a tri party agreement involving the City, CBE and the SCA. Andy Kneubuhler reviewed this tri party agreement and found some inconsistencies and concerns. We have returned the lease unsigned to the City for consideration of our concerns.

February 28th SCA Event – Wine Tasting

Detailed information regarding the above event has been circulated to the Board via email. Carolyn Jurek will confirm that the proper insurance is in place and if a liquor license is required. A motion was made by Maureen Smith to approve a \$2,000 budget for this event and to set the ticket price at \$15. Motion seconded by Kewal Khakh. Motion carried.

Alberta Children's Hospital – Community Education Service

The Alberta Children's Hospital is looking for donated space to hold free educational sessions to parents, caregivers and professionals on a wide range of child health and mental health topics. Maureen Smith made a motion to offer donated space to the Alberta Children's Hospital for their free educational sessions. Motion seconded by Shelley Bartole. Motion carried.

Christie Sport Pad/Rink

Azad Chandler to supply information for the Board's review.

First Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church is looking to expand their facility and held a round table discussion including the SCA, the MLA's office and the City. They are currently trying to determine how best to serve the community's needs. Expansion ideas are: a banquet hall, before and after school care or day care, early childhood programming. Their intent is to reach out to the community for input – expansion is at the very early planning stage.

Calgary Awards

Submissions due Friday, February 28, 2014

Next Gazette Submissions due March 7, 2014

Treasurer's Report – Kewal Khakh

Kewal Khakh advised the Board of the account balances and provided Financial Statements dated December 31, 2013 with the caveat that the Financial Statements were not entirely accurate as the last quarter bank statements had not yet been reconciled. Overall the SCA is in good financial health and has the cash flow to pursue another round of grant applications.

Casino and Strathcona Ice Rinks – Roy Kuhnlein

Roy Kuhnlein requested an update of the status of the plans to purchase a projector and screen for the Main Hall. Roy also requested that Trevor Lakatos (Building Superintendent) investigate the sound quality of the Main Hall and the North and South rooms upstairs.

Strategic and Business Planning – Sohaib Wasif

The City of Calgary is expecting a Draft copy of our Business Plan by February 28, 2014.

Next Gazette Submissions due March 7, 2014

Next Board Meeting - Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 7 pm