

FINAL

Strathcona, Christie, Aspen Community Association (SCA)
Board Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2014

Board Attendance:

Maureen Smith, President
Roy Kuhnlein, Vice President
Sanjeev Kad, Development and Community Safety
Shelley Bartole, Traffic & Membership (Aspen)
Jill Campbell, Membership and Marketing
Vere Adamson, Public Art Projects
Simon Fletcher, Business and Strategic Planning
Paul Avender, Advertising and Volunteers
Mustafa Abalrahman, Membership

Item 1: Additions to Agenda

None

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

None

Item 3: Safety Minute

The City of Calgary offers Graffiti Kits to residents. These kits are most effective if used within twenty four hours of discovery of graffiti. Sanjeev Kad will draft an article for the Gazette regarding the prevention and clean up of graffiti.

The Aspen Stone entry feature has begun to crumble and poses a safety issue. The Board with the help of the City will attempt to determine who is responsible for the repair of this feature.

Item 4: Guest Speakers

None

Item 5: Directors' Reports

President's Report – Maureen Smith

Coach Hill and Patterson Heights Community Association (CHPH)

The CHPH Community Association has approached the SCA and the Springbank Hill Community Association with regard to merging their Community Association. The CHPH is having difficulty recruiting memberships and Directors for their Board. As the CHPH is on the same Area Structure Plan as Springbank Hill a merger between those two CA's seems most viable.

Development – Aspen Day Care

Plans for the above Day Care were tabled at the Board Meeting. Finalizing of the plans and discussions with residents and the developer are ongoing. The SCA will recommend that the previously negotiated conditions will follow the new plans.

Stampede Breakfast

Board Members are encouraged to attend the SCA Stampede Breakfast and the Westside Stampede Breakfast.

BVMC – Stage Floor

The cost of the construction of the Main Hall Stage came in at just over \$10,000 with the BVMC funding \$7,500 of the project. Flooring is still required for the stage and Trevor has obtained quotes for the flooring and will provide further details to the Board as requested.

Strathcona Beautification

David Allen and a group of Strathcona Park residents are undertaking a beautification project and they are working with 311 and our CRC John Merriman. I suggested David and make an application to the Stepping Stones program that offers small grants (under \$1,000). I have also offered the SCA facility for fundraising events pending our approval of the event(s). I have also suggested that David may want to consider organizing a Residents' Association to specifically collect dollars and volunteers for this type of project.

Office Staff Succession Planning

The Board was advised that Carolyn Jurek was leaving her role as the SCA Office Manager at the end of 2014. Office Staff succession planning was discussed and it was agreed that the SCA would begin advertising in the Gazette and on the website for applicants for the Office Manager Position.

Spam Legislation

The Spam Legislation requirements were reviewed by the Board with regard to its communications with Members. The SCA will develop a policy for communicating via email with Members. Roy Kuhnlein agreed to follow up with Michael Smith to determine how the volume of spam emails to Board Members could be curtailed.

Fall Wine Tasting Event

A motion was made by Maureen Smith to approve a \$2,000 maximum budget for a Fall Wine Tasting Event. Motion seconded by Roy Kuhnlein. Motion carried.

Strategic and Business Planning – Simon Fletcher

Simon Fletcher has agreed to be the SCA's Strategic and Business Planning Director. Simon led a discussion regarding the completion of the SCA Business Plan, a requirement of our lease with the City. The discussion included topics like demographics, financial position, services and programs and facilities.

Traffic & Parking – Shelley Bartole

The SCA would like to proceed with ordering 'Please Slow Down' signs which will be made available to residents on an honour system.

Motion made by Maureen Smith to approve the purchase of 4 'Please Slow Down' signs for the approximate cost of \$100 per sign. Motion seconded by Vere Adamson. Motion carried.

West LRT Public Art Representative – Vere Adamson

Vere attended sessions for the Public Art Program which is committed to incorporating meaningful citizen engagement throughout the public process and providing a variety of opportunities for interested community members, key stakeholders and citizens to be informed, engaged and involved in the selection of public art projects. Vere will attend a community workshop where the focus will be public art projects for the West LRT. City Hall has requested that the Centre Street Bridge Lions be incorporated into the project.

Next Gazette Submissions due June 27, 2014

Next Board Meeting – Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 7 pm