

Strathcona Christie Aspen Community Association (SCA CA)
Board Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2022

Board Attendance:

Maureen Smith, President
George Diwan, Vice President
Geoff Kalyniuk, Treasurer
Carrie Stewart, Traffic/Schools
Adam Schwartz, Planning/Development
Davood Khairkhah, Education and Integration

Also in Attendance:

Shelley Lakatos, Office Manager
Ralph Smith – Ward 6 Representative
James Runge – Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator

Item 1: Housekeeping:

Maureen Smith called the meeting to order at 6:59
Agenda reviewed for concurrence and additions
Motion to approve February 16, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes made by Carrie Stewart. Seconded by Davood Khairkhah. Motion carried.

Item 2: Ralph Smith – Ward 6 Liaison

The following topics were discussed (but not limited to), please reference the March 2022 Ward 6 Community Report for further details.

- Ward 6 online Open House on March 24, 2022
- The City to rewrite the snow and ice removal policy
- Increased security on LRT trains and at LRT stops
- River clean up scheduled for May 2022
- U-turn intersection on Bow Trail, congestion at the Bow Trail and Sarcee intersection

Item 3: Shelley Lakatos – Office Manager

- Shelley requested that the front doors of the SCA be unlocked during office hours, and beginning May 1 unlocked fully as the building is experiencing increased activity.

- Shelley gave an overview of the Winter Festival and requested permission to spend the remainder of the grant from Parks Foundation on tables, traffic cones, vests, etc.
- The SCA Recycle Day will be held on July 23rd. George Diwan offered to help Shelley source an onsite paper shredding service.
- Seniors Dances in partnership with Amica Aspen Woods resume on June 24, 2022.
- Movie Matinee on May 15, 2022 represents a return to events for residents.
- Parade of Garage Sales on May 28, 2022. The SCA to prepare a map of all participating households to post on the website and do all the advertising. No cost for households to participate.

Item 4: President's Report – Maureen Smith

- Maureen Smith provided the Board with an update regarding the SCA's audit.
- Maureen also advised the Board of the SCA's upcoming AGM on Wednesday, May 11 at 7 pm. All directors asked to attend and prepare a brief summary of their year to share.

Item 5: Vice President's Report – George Diwan

- George gave an overview of the grants that he and Trevor were in the process preparing – applications to be tabled at the April Board Meeting. Projects including but not limited to an accessible pathway from the parking lot to the lower-level play facilities and resurfacing of the rink including painting pickle ball court lines.
- New bathroom dispensers and air fresheners donated by George and a discount offered on janitorial supplies.
- Miscellaneous repair and maintenance items.

Item 6: Treasurer's Report – Geoff Kalyniuk

- Geoff tabled the Treasurer's Report including comparative Statements for 2021 and 2022. Geoff also reported that the SCA's cash balances remained stable for the last month.

Item 7: Development and Traffic – Carrie Stewart

- Carrie tabled a map showing the traffic concerns surrounding Calgary Academy and Webber Academy and lead a discussion on the effect the addition of a new Catholic High School would have on the areal.
- A discussion was also held regarding the new Seniors Development at 7111 – 14 Ave SW and the impact that would have on traffic and safety. A resident lead group is in discussion with the city regarding this development.

Item 8: Planning and Urban Development – Adam Schwartz

- Adam advised the Board that he was stepping off the Board after the AGM as he was moving out of the area. The Board expressed their appreciation for Adam's service to his community and wishes him well in his future endeavors.

Item 9: Education and Integration – Davood Khairkhah

- Davood advised the Board that he continues to try and open a dialogue with various organizations to initiate a program for newcomers. Currently Davood is researching demographics of our areas to assist in this initiative, sourcing the Community 2019 Profiles and Census. Davood also suggested that reaching out to other CAs to see if there were similar programs offered in the city.

Item 9: James Runge – Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator

The following topics were discussed (but not limited to), please reference the March 2022 NPC Board Report for further details.

- James advised the Board that Casino funding was in the range of \$70,000. SCA's next Casino is on May 21 & 22, 2022, funds from the Casino are primarily used to cover utility costs.
- James also provided Davood with some other contacts that might help in establishing his newcomer's program/resource, offering the contact for the Community Social Worker in our area.
- James advised the Board that details of grant applications must be included in a Board Motion before applications are submitted and to allow time for the city to provide 'Letters of Municipal Opinion'.
- James advised the Board of the Inspiring Neighbourhoods grant opportunity, Farm Stand Program, mobile Fit Park and TLC (Litter Clean Up Kits) kits available from the Inglewood Bird Sanctuary.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:49 pm