

Erlton Community Association

Minutes

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

Meeting brought to order at 7:02 PM. by Natalya Nicholson, president of the community association.

Minutes of the March 11, 2014 meeting presented for approval. Motion to accept : Bobbie C./Bill F. Carried.

Minutes of the April 9, 2014 meeting presented for approval. Motion to accept: Bonnie F./Norma. Carried.

Agenda presented for approval. Bobbie C./Kasper L. Carried

Chairs Report: Thanking everyone for their support. Had meetings with John Merriman and our councillor Gian Carlo and felt that they went fairly well. Also had conversations with the resigned members, voices heard and respected. Have hopes of engaging more community members in volunteering on various ad hoc committees.

Secretary's Report: Questioned those present if they would like hard copies of upcoming city wide events and other information presented at the meetings.

Treasurers Report: Stated that all the authorized signatures have been changed. Transfer savings to chequing account to avoid charges.

Development: There are presently three developments that are being looked at, They are located at: 23- 31 Ave. S.W.

55 - 28 Ave. S.W.

2329 Erlton Pl. S.W.

Bill has the plans present for anyone to look at and share their thoughts regarding them.

The city has approved a development located at 69 - 31 Ave. S.W. Presently we are waiting for disclosure from the city. The appeal for this site has been filed.

Norma has requested that any letters relating to the proposed development on Mission Road be sent in by May 22, 2014.

Post Flood: Danielle reporting that positive things are happening with some of our residents. The Good Samaritans are helping to re build a home on the north side of 27 Ave. The house on the corner of 28 Ave. and Erlton St. are hoping to re build. Mike and Maria have generously offered to host a Thank you barbeque at their home on June 21, starting at noon and continuing on. Some discussion regarding a block party which will be looked into. The city has a site at calgary.ca/block party.

The Red Cross will be going door to door next month - month/half. There are programs in place regarding support. Encourage people to get in touch with the ECA president so they can be directed to proper services.

Right now the focus is on the Glenmore Tunnel, McClean Creek, Springbank Reservoir. We need to have on- going community pressure so that we don't drop of the radar. All of these priorities will take two years, if not longer.

There will be a Flood Open House on May 15 from 6 - 8 PM. at Foothills Academy.

The CRCAG is very active in lobbying against changes flood zones without more planning. There is a site at: protectcalgary.com that you can refer to for more information regarding protection for residents.

Discussion on emergency response for communities without a community hall.

Parks: River Clean Up will be held May 25, from 10 AM. to 1 PM. Shirine still needs a truck and one barbeque. Darcy will supply both.

The CBC/FCC are holding a Free Little Library contest with a May 30 deadline, The philosophy is "Take a book, return a book." This is a great place to share books and demonstrate sense of community. Need to submit a creative piece detailing why our community would benefit. We will also need to identify location and custodian. If not, Calgary Reads offers free libraries created by local artists. Registration - \$25.00.

Would like formation of Parks Committee to look into Parks and Rec. initiatives. Tot Park - continue on previous work, feasibility, location, funding (City Parks = 25,000). Community Garden - determine interest and feasibility (North area of community), identify location, stewards. Revisit Neighborhood Woods Program - free trees from the city. Would like discussion on the bunny issue. Are they viewed as a problem? If so what to do? Feeding them an issue - making them dependant on humans, artificially increasing population beyond ecological sustainability, attracting coyotes, feces/ zoonoses - cryptosporidium salmonella.

Traffic: The short cutting through the neighborhood continues to be an issue as does the Anthem project. The bus stop at 25 Ave./Erlton St. is to have a concrete pad installed. The parking on the north side of 25 Ave. needs to be addressed as does speeding/reduction.

Motion to form a communication committee. Kirt/Michelle. Purpose is to streamline communication. Carried.

Motion to form a governance committee. Natalya/Kasper. We have good references we can utilize from the city, FCC etc. John Merriman asked whether people would be able to make presentation, put forth ideas and be considered? The answer is yes. Carried.

Amendment of 2009 bylaws. After much discussion the following motion was presented: Motion to approve presentation of amended 2009 bylaws by special resolution at the June 2014 meeting for adoption. Natalya/ Norma. Carried

Stampede Parking: Shirine has all the information/documentation that would be required if we have the desire to proceed with this. We may have lost our window of opportunity, as the CBE may have signed with another interested party. Michelle will meet with Shirine to discuss this.

City of Calgary Recreation Co-ordinator Update: John Merriman suggested that we dedicate time at our meetings to hammer out/ brainstorm ideas.

Motion to adjourn. Natalya/Kirt.