

# ERLTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## 2012 Annual General Meeting

November 13th, 2012

### Call to Order

2012 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Erlton Community Association (ECA) called to order at 7:07pm by President Andrew Sparke. Seconded by Vice President Kirt van der Woude.

## 1. 2011 AGM Minutes

### Motion

Motion by President Andrew Sparke to accept the minutes of the 2011 AGM. Seconded by Vice President Kirt van der Woude. Motion passed by acclamation.

## 2. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Bonnie Fischer provided a summary of ECA's financials, and passed around a full financial summary to those in attendance for review.

In summary, for the 2011-2012 year, ECA:

- Has a net worth of approximately \$24,000
- Reported income of \$1,690
- Paid out expenses of \$2,420
- Has a year-end bank account balance of \$24,020

A request was made to the community members in attendance for two volunteers to conduct an audit of the ECA's books. Martina van der Woude and Michael Kwadrans accepted, and the audit was scheduled to be completed by end of November.

### Motion

Motion by President Andrew Sparke to accept the 2011-2012 financial reports into the record. Seconded by Vice President Kirt van der Woude. Motion passed by acclamation.

## 3. Erlton History Book

Bonnie Fischer provided a report that the Erlton History Book offered for sale to the community received a positive reception, and that orders were being taken for hardcopies (at \$20 each) and CD softcopies (at \$3 each).

## 4. Stampede Parking

President Andrew Sparke provided a brief update to the community members in attendance that Stampede parking fundraiser was not conducted in 2012 due to a lack of volunteers for the project.

## 5. Update from Ward 9 Alderman

- Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra provided an update of recent and upcoming activities relevant to Erlton:
- Welcome to Erlton Sign - Alderman's support in securing permit approval for the sign in the Northeast corner of the bridge.
- Mission Road – Summary of project status at this time provided, including mention of the project as a 'beta-test' for new development approaches.
- Macleod Trail Study – City will soon be releasing their study of the future development policy for the Macleod Trail corridor, including traffic and redevelopment.
- Manchester Industrial – A UofC study is forthcoming that addresses the potential vision for revitalizing the Manchester industrial area.
- City Planning Leadership – Stanley Rollins, new planning lead with the city will be overhauling the city's approach to planning. The Alderman intends to hold a planning and development event with Stanley Rollins for Erlton and other communities in the coming year.
- Federal Byelection – Mention of the 'Cities First' candidate debate planned at the Central Library.
- *The Leap* by Chris Turner – The Alderman suggested this book as reading for those interested in the future of urban development.
- Thank You – The Alderman thanked all community members in attendance for their involvement in the community.

President Andrew Sparke thanked Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra for his attendance and participation.

## 6. President's Report

President Andrew Sparke summarized a number of activities from the past year:

### 6.1 Community Welcome to Erlton Sign

- ECA was approached by the Cliff Bungalow-Mission Community Association (CBMCA) to build a sign with them on 25<sup>th</sup> Ave between the communities, in January 2010.
- The east side of the river chosen due to logistical considerations.
- Development permit has been secured for the southeast corner of the bridge. Due to ACTO owning the land, and not parks, we have allowance from ATCO to prune or remove trees and shrubs as necessary, to allow visibility for the sign.
- The design for the sign was created by a designer in the community from input, in the survey monkey taken in February.
- Bonnie Fischer and Kirt van der Woude noted that at the 12 June monthly community meeting discussion was held supported by a unanimous vote of

those in attendance supporting the addition of colour to the design versus the existing monochromatic (white) one.

- President Sparke suggested that he would poll the rest of the community using Survey Monkey or a similar online survey tool to see what the community would prefer, the designed monochromatic white, or to incorporate colour.
- General discussion including President Sparke, Alderman Carra and those in attendance about the status of permitting, placement of the sign and concerns about the sign going for production in its current monochromatic design instead of the colour one supported by a vote at the June monthly meeting.
- Suggestion made by those in conversation that discussion was off-topic for the purposes of the meeting and should be taken offline.

## 6.2 Neighbourwoods Program

- Our community was chosen by this program in December 2011, and we decided to participate in this.
- Planting for this city-sponsored program was completed in September.
- Logistical issues were noted with the execution of the program, especially pertaining to the transfer of information including responsibility assignment to the community association.
- A total of three trees were planted in Erlton as a result of this program, down from the nine applications received, due to issues with utilities, placement, etc.
- An attendee questioned how this program was communicated to the community and it was noted that flyers were delivered to all households in the spring.

## 6.3 River Cleanup

- President Sparke indicated attendance of 99 this year, up from 67 the previous year indicating the growing success of the event.
- BBQ was again included in this year's event with food donated by Spolumbo's, Good Earth, and Safeway, and music by Kinfolk.
- Talisman Energy paid for all other costs for the event, including event insurance, which was reimbursed to the ECA.

## 6.4 Stampede Parking

- It was reiterated that this fundraiser event was not held this year due to insufficient volunteers.
- Director of Membership Shirine Lund was thanked for her past support of the initiative, and it was noted that the Calgary Board of Education (CBE), the owner of the parking lot, was open to us running the program next year, but if we are unable to run it, they will source out other operators.

## 6.5 Newsletter

- Completion and delivery of the fall newsletter was discussed.
- Thanks noted to Shirine Lund and Natalya Nicholson for their work in creating and issuing the newsletter.

## 6.6 Anthem Properties Development in North Erlton

- Anthem Properties intends to break ground in 2013 on the development slated for the property immediately west of Macleod Trail, in between 25<sup>th</sup> Ave and the Talisman Centre.
- They have expressed their mandate to continue to involve the community as they move forward.

## 6.7 Closing Remarks

- Thanked the board for their support during the past year.
- Announced his resignation as President, and his intention to stay as past president.

# 7. Election of Board of Directors

## 7.1 President

Role vacated by resignation of previous President Andrew Sparke.

### Election

Nomination of the board's previous Vice President Kirt van der Woude by Director of Planning and Development Bill Fischer, seconded by Andrew Sparke.

No further nominations. Kirt van der Woude elected as President by acclamation.

## 7.2 Vice President

Role vacated by election of previous Vice President Kirt van der Woude to the role of President.

### Election

Nomination of Natalie Kwadrans by Michael Kwadrans, seconded by Andrew Sparke.

No further nominations. Natalie Kwadrans elected as Vice President by acclamation.

## 7.3 Secretary

Role vacated by resignation of previous Secretary Milton Lowe.

### Election

Nomination of Michael Kwadrans by Treasurer Bonnie Fischer, seconded by Natalie Kwadrans.

No further nominations. Michael Kwadrans elected as Secretary by acclamation.

## 7.4 Treasurer

### Election

Self-nomination of incumbent Treasurer Bonnie Fischer, seconded by Natalie Kwadrans.

No further nominations. Bonnie Fischer elected as Treasurer by acclamation.

## 8. Election of Committees

### 8.1 Traffic Subcommittee

**Motion**

Motion by Director of Planning and Development Bill Fischer to create a Traffic Subcommittee to the Planning and Development Committee, to be chaired by Jeremy Yawney.

Scope of subcommittee to include all traffic-related issues within the community. Chair to report to the Director of Planning and Development.

Motion carried by acclamation.

### 8.2 Community Sign Committee

**Motion**

Motion by Andrew Sparke to create a Community Sign Committee, to be chaired by Andrew Sparke. Seconded by Kirt van der Woude.

Scope of committee to include all activities related to the completion of the "Welcome to Erlton" sign project in conjunction with CBMCA. Chair to report to the Board of Directors.

Motion carried by acclamation.

### 8.3 Parks & Recreation

**Motion**

Motion by Andrew Sparke to reintroduce the previously inactive Parks & Recreation Committee, to be chaired by Denise Dixey. Seconded by Kirt van der Woude.

Scope of committee to include all activities related to parks and recreation, including the River Cleanup event. Committee chair to be member of ECA Board of Directors per existing bylaws.

Motion carried by acclamation.

### 8.4 Planning & Development Committee

**Motion**

Motion by Andrew Sparke to continue the Planning & Development Committee. Seconded by Michael Kwadrans.

Scope of committee to continue to encompass all planning and development activities within the community. Committee chair to be member of ECA Board of Directors per existing bylaws.

Motion carried by acclamation.

**Motion**

Motion by Bill Fischer, incumbent Director of Planning and Development, to continue in role as Chair of the Planning & Development Committee. Seconded by Andrew Sparke.

Motion carried by acclamation.

### 8.5 Membership Committee

**Motion**

Motion by Andrew Sparke to continue the Membership Committee. Seconded by Bonnie Fischer.

Scope of committee to continue to encompass management of memberships and related activities within the community. Committee chair to be member of ECA Board of Directors per existing bylaws.

Motion carried by acclamation.

**Motion**

Motion by Andrew Sparke, that incumbent Director of Membership Shirine Lund continue in role as Chair of the Membership Committee. Seconded by Kirt van der Woude.

Motion carried by acclamation.

Shirine Lund noted that she welcomes anyone who is interested in taking over the role of Director of Membership.

## 8.6 Other Discussion

General discussion as to the status of new committees in terms of their roles, and whether the existing provisions of the ECA bylaws should be changed. No motions to do so put forward.

## 9. Other Discussion

### 9.1 Development

General discussion amongst those in attendance regarding pros and cons to the densification of neighborhood development beyond detached / semi-detached.

- Heesung Kim raised concerns with current ECA policy towards neighborhood development, and cited concerns over what our vision for the future of the community; whether that included just detached and semi-detached homes or also higher density development.
- Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra discussed the need to have a vision for community development, what is appropriate development for the community, etc. He reiterated that he would be involving ECA Planning and Development Committee in future discussion with Stanley Rollins regarding future development within Erlton and the rest of the city.
- Bill Fischer raised concerns regarding the need to ensure future community development is reasonable within the existing streetscape, and especially the need to prevent unreasonable structural massing within the neighborhood.
- Natalie Kwadrans suggested that the discussion was going off topic for the purpose of the AGM, and suggested that a future planning meeting or workshop was warranted.

**Motion to Adjourn**

Motion by Andrew Sparke at 8:20pm to adjourn the Annual General Meeting. Seconded by Michael Kwadrans.

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## **2012 Annual General Meeting Annex 1 – Record of Attendance**

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