

# ERLTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## 2013 Annual General Meeting Agenda

November 12, 2013

### Call to Order

Call to order Motion put forward by Kirt van der Woude at 7:08 p.m., seconded by Bonnie Fischer.

Kirt van der Woude: we'll try to keep the AGM short, follow with a presentation from Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra and then we'll have a presentation from the Red Cross on their post-flood activities.

## 1. Adoption of the Agenda

### Motion to Accept

Natalie Kwadrans puts forward a motion to accept 2013 AGM Agenda, Michael Kwadrans seconds. Passed unanimously.

## 2. Adoption of the Meeting Minutes of the 2012 AGM

### Motion to Accept

Kirt puts forward a motion to accept 2012 AGM Minutes, seconded by Bill Fischer. Passed unanimously.

## 3. President's Report

Report from Kirt van der Woude, President

### 3.1 Year in Review

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|-----------------|---|
| <b>December</b> | History of Erlton book made available again in print and online ( <a href="http://wp.me/P3gDFI-r">http://wp.me/P3gDFI-r</a> )   |
| <b>January</b>  | Membership fee increase to balance revenue with recurring costs<br><br>Community Engagement Survey was issued to the community and was used to drive our strategic plan   |
| <b>February</b> | Termination of sign initiative<br><br>Community Strategy Plan and Vision developed (see <a href="http://wp.me/P3gDFI-6j">http://wp.me/P3gDFI-6j</a> )<br><br>Website launched: <a href="http://erltoncommunity.com">erltoncommunity.com</a> |
| <b>March</b>    | Investigation of adding a playground in Erlton; shelved due to lack of funding  |
| <b>April</b>    | <a href="#">Spring newsletter</a> –thanks to Shirine and Natalya Nicholson  |
| <b>May</b>      | River Clean-Up and BBQ – tremendous success, thanks to Denise and Shirine   |
| <b>June</b>     | The Flood   |
| <b>July</b>     | Community flood response – thanks to residents and volunteers   |

- August**      Creation of Post-Flood Action Committee – thanks to Geoff Granville, Trish Herreira, Leslie Oulman and Danielle Kraus
- September**      Fall membership drive – thanks to Shirine and Bonnie  
                          Flood Party – thanks to Michael, Denise and other organizers and volunteers
- Ongoing**      Active year on the development front, particularly with Mission Rd condos and Anthem development – thanks to Bill

**2013 Priorities, Owners and Timelines**

<b>Planning &amp; development (P&amp;D)</b>			
	<b>P&amp;D Committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication with engaged developers</li> <li>• Committee members to manage specific files</li> <li>• Leverage city relationships</li> </ul>	Bill Fischer	Ongoing  Implemented Q1 and ongoing  Ongoing
	<b>Traffic sub-committee</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Survey – Q1</li> <li>• Survey action items</li> <li>• Work with Anthem to minimize traffic impacts – Q2-Q4</li> </ul>	Jeremy Yawney	Complete Q1 Incomplete (Q2) Initiated in Q4
<b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b>			
	<b>River clean-up</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication</li> <li>• Volunteer recruitment</li> </ul>	Denise	Complete Q2
	<b>Playground visioning</b>	Kirt	Complete Q2
<b>Marketing &amp; Communications</b>			
	<b>Newsletter</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring newsletter</li> <li>• Fall newsletter</li> </ul>	Shirine & Natalya	Complete Q2 Incomplete
	<b>Website</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch</li> <li>• Training &amp; maintenance</li> </ul>	Michael & Natalya	Complete Q2 Complete Q2

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reporting on website statistics</li> </ul> <p><b>Elbow Scene</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly submission</li> </ul>	Shirine	Complete Q2 & ongoing
<p>Membership &amp; Recruitment</p> <p>Volunteer engagement</p> <p>Follow-up on interest from 2013 Community Needs Survey – Q1</p> <p>Membership drive</p> <p>Membership discount solicitation – Q2</p> <p>School Board</p> <p>Talisman</p> <p>Humpty's</p> <p>Shaw</p> <p>Anthem retailers</p> <p>Promote 'Associate' membership (non-voting) – Q3</p> <p>Door-to-door canvas - Q3</p> <p>Community Relations</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Neighbouring community relationships – Q1+</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">CMBCA</p> <p style="padding-left: 120px;">Parkhill</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">Rideau/Roxboro</p> <p>Fundraising</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Investigate casino opportunity – Q2</p> <p>Social Events</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Neighbourhood get-together - Q2/Q3</p>			Incomplete

## 4. Treasurer's Report

Report from Bonnie Fischer, Treasurer

### 4.1 Presentation of FY2013 Financials

No new revenue this year, interest rate in the bank account is minimal.

**Question from the community:** are there any plans to have a fundraiser next year? **Kirt:** we'll think about it next year, could be a flood fundraiser, maybe a casino night. Stampede parking was not done this year, but the thought right now is we're not sure what to do with the funds and there seems to be a lack of volunteers, particularly for Stampede Parking.

### 4.2 Appointment of Auditors

An audit of the books is required. I already have one member who has volunteered, need one more. Any volunteers? Trish Hereira volunteers.

## 5. Report from Board of Directors and Standing Committees

### 5.1 Vice President

Report from Natalie Kwadrans, Vice President

Our plan (<http://wp.me/P3gDFI-6j>) was developed based on community feedback, then we developed a vision and priorities for 2013 and beyond.

Our mission and vision statements are as follows:

#### **Vision Statement**

Erlton is Calgary's best-kept secret and an inner-city gem. As one of the City's founding neighbourhoods, Erlton strives to be a lifestyle-friendly and safe community where quality development is balanced with respect for our neighbours, historic character and the natural environment.

#### **Mission Statement**

The ECA strives to represent the interests of our residents with the aim of developing a strong and vibrant community.

These drive our plans as your ECA executive.

### 5.2 Secretary

Report from Michael Kwadrans, Secretary

#### 5.2.1 Website

- Launched the site in late February/early March of this year
- 6008 hits as of November 12, 2013 (pages viewed, not visitors)
- Been a great communication tool for:
  - Planning and Development info

- Community meeting agendas and past meeting notes,
- Updating the community about news items,
- Information about local community resources
- Contact info for ECA exec and committee chairs
- A one-stop shop for all things Erlton
- Useful anecdote: still early days, but the website became and continues to remain a critical resource to help with the floods and post-flood follow-up. During the floods, volunteers flocked to the website to find out how they could help out.
  - On Tuesday, June 25, in the week following the flood we had 316 page views as people looked for info
- In the next year, looking to find better reporting methods so we can enhance the site

### 5.2.2 Flood Party

- Dreamed up as a rallying event for the community and an opportunity for the community to salute members of the City and utility crews for all their assistance
- Excellent attendance, just under 200 residents and guests made it out to enjoy the event
- Photos put together by Denise Dixey and others were a big hit
- Allan Baxter generously took photos and you can see the results on our site ([http://www.flickr.com/photos/aj\\_baxter/sets/72157635807240335/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/aj_baxter/sets/72157635807240335/))
- Media coverage from CTV and other outlets
- Lots of thanks to go around:
  - Including volunteers who helped with setup, tear-down and running the event
  - Sponsorship from Anthem Properties, Talisman Energy and the City
  - Mayor Nenshi, Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra, Jeff Booke, CEO of Talisman, and our own Kirt van der Woude gave speeches
  - Also big thanks to Wild Rose Brewery for providing beer and serving
  - Finally, special thanks to our committee members, Kirt, Julie Johnston from Talisman Centre, Denise Dixey, John Merriman and Nicola Youle from the City
- Federation of Calgary Communities will feature the event in its newsletter

## 5.3 Membership

Report from Shirine Lund, Membership Chair

### 5.3.1 Membership Activity Update

- Canvassing started in August to end of September
- 138 members and had some last-minutes additions, could go as high as 148.
- New members: 11
- Only 2 declined purchasing memberships
- 17 senior members, 4 senior but paying
- 129 emails for members

**Question from community:** how do you notify community members who do not have email addresses? **Shirine:** sandwich boards are put up on 25 Avenue and Erlton Street and 34 Avenue and Mission Road just before the meeting.

### 5.3.2 Spring Newsletter

Usual delivery is in April to rally people to get involved, particularly with River Cleanup. The newsletter is a visible sign of the ECA's presence, looking to get people to volunteer in the community, particularly for River Cleanup.

### 5.3.3 River Cleanup BBQ

Over 100 sausages were BBQ'd, predominantly paid for by Talisman Energy, Spolumbo's and the Talisman Centre.

## 5.4 Parks & Recreation

Report from Denise Dixey, Director, Parks & Recreation

### 5.4.1 River Cleanup

Over 100 volunteers participated, done in conjunction with Mission and Rideau-Roxboro communities. We did not win the most interesting find this year. Great to see the support for the community is strong for the event. Paperwork has already been filed for the event on May 4, 2014, with a rain day of May 11, in case of inclement weather.

## 5.5 Planning & Development

Report from Bill Fischer, Planning & Development Committee Chair

### 5.5.1 Residential Development Activity Update

Over last 12 months, we saw 10 new permit apps. Community comments are all available on erltoncommunity.com (<http://erltoncommunity.com/development-planning/>)

### 5.5.2 Anthem Properties (25 Ave / Macleod) Development Update

City has a re-zoning application in to revise by-law that governs property. Only outstanding item concerns traffic management in the area. A traffic study has been requested by the City, which Anthem will produce. Community will provide input on whether commercial tenants will be allowed to run commercial traffic on Erlton Rd. Once study is in place, will distribute to residents and gather feedback.

**Question from community:** how will you gather feedback? **Bill:** see site (<http://calgary.ca/erltonroad>) to provide your input. On the same site, our contact info is on there. No responses yet.

**Question from community:** we were unclear on how to provide our feedback at our Waterford AGM. **Bill:** we will send an email to condo presidents and gather feedback (see previous URL (website link)). In addition, the City has put up a sign at the corner of Erlton Rd. and 25 Avenue with the URL.

**Councillor Carra:** in your report you mentioned Anthem is interested in running commercial road along the street; my understanding is that 24 Avenue will become a mixed-use street. Along the Macleod Trail side, there will be access to the parkade. The request is to change the use so that traffic will enter on 24 Avenue rather than go around Erlton Rd. **Bill:** one other aspect, the commercial traffic should be going right off Macleod to 25 Ave and right on to Erlton Rd. Question is really how much commercial we want, not whether we can stop it completely.

**Kirt:** we'll shelve this for now, but please visit the site for more info. Please email Bill directly for info.

**Natalie:** please check in with your condo presidents, make sure Bill has their correct contact info.

## 5.6 Traffic Subcommittee

Report from Jeremy Yawney, Traffic Subcommittee Chair

### 5.6.1 Survey Results and Action Plan

A majority of respondents (54% vs. 23% who said no) believe Erlton has a traffic problem. Key issues identified include:

- Shortcutting through the community (i.e. 27/28/31 Ave)
- Safety concerns due to the chicane at the top of Erlton Street near 30 Ave
- Speeding on Erlton Street

More respondents are concerned that the Anthem development will cause additional traffic problems than those who do not (42% vs. 29%)

Respondents were fairly split on whether Erlton has a parking problem (38% believe there is, 32% believe there is not). Key issues identified include:

- Lack of parking/congestion during Stampede
- Safety concerns caused by parking in the chicane at the top of Erlton Road

**Kirt:** coming together with an action plan was in the 2013 plan, but we'll carry it over into 2014. If you're interested in participating, talk to Jeremy or myself to get involved. **Councillor Carra:** my office can work with anyone who has issues.

**Question from the community:** what's the status of the interchange at 25 Ave and Macleod Tr. **Councillor Carra:** been on the books for a while, still nothing certain about there being an interchange. Personal preference is to bury the LRT to simplify traffic. Always surprised when I go over Macleod and how Cemetery Hill separates Erlton from the area.

## 5.7 Post-Flood Action

Report from Geoff Granville, Post-Flood Action Committee Chair and others

### 5.7.1 Community Outreach Update

4 Key areas: Prevention, Preparedness, Response, Recovery. There has been much involvement from all levels of government. If you have questions, please come see me. Volunteers made this much better. Councillor Carra's office and Calgary River Communities Action Group have been and continue to be highly involved. Trish and Danielle stepped up a couple of months ago and asked: how do we get more involved, so the result was more information and resources on our site.

**Councillor Carra:** Lindsay (Ward 9 Constituent Assistant Lindsay Luhnau) is very much involved in helping with those affected and there's lots going on.

**Danielle Krause:** a few of us have gone door-to-door and met with owners/tenants and helped them get in touch with appropriate organizations to come up with solutions.

**Trish Herreira:** lots of involvement from multiple organizations, governments, etc. to assist.

**Councillor Carra:** community response in Ward 9 was great, kudos to Danielle for work on the ground. Regarding resiliency, what really got us through was the community. When the City called out for volunteers and they were overwhelmed, they realized the communities have enough energy and not to get in their way. There's currently an idea floating around of getting some kind of disaster planning representation on community associations. **Kirt:** that would be a good item to add to our 2014 action plan.

## 6. Election of Officers

### 6.1 President

Kirt not planning on stepping down, is there anyone else interested? [No hands raised]

Natalie Kwadrans nominates Kirt van der Woude, Bill Fischer seconds. Kirt accepts the nomination. Passed unanimously.

### 6.2 Vice-President

Natalie not planning on stepping down.

Kirt van der Woude nominates Natalie Kwadrans, Michael Kwadrans seconds. Natalie accepts the nomination. Passed unanimously.

### 6.3 Secretary

Michael Kwadrans would like to continue as Secretary.

Bonnie Fischer nominates Michael Kwadrans, Geoff Granville seconds. Michael accepts the nomination. Passed unanimously.

### 6.4 Treasurer

Bonnie would like stay.

Kirt van der Woude nominates, Natalie Kwadrans seconds. Bonnie accepts the nomination. Passed unanimously.

## 7. Approval of Standing Committees / Election of Directors & Chairs

### 7.1 Membership

Committee approved unanimously. Kirt van der Woude nominates Shirine Lund, Norma Brown seconds. Passed unanimously.

### 7.2 Planning & Development

Committee approved unanimously. Bill Fischer would like to continue. Kirt van der Woude nominates Bill, Natalya seconds. Passed unanimously.

#### 7.2.1 Traffic Subcommittee

Committee approved unanimously. Kirt van der Woude nominates Jeremy Yawney, Bonnie Fischer seconds. Passed unanimously.

### 7.3 Parks & Recreation

Committee approved unanimously. Geoff Granville nominates Denise Dixey, Kirt van der Woude seconds. Unanimous.

### 7.4 Post-Flood Action Committee

Committee approved unanimously. Natalie Kwadrans nominates Geoff Granville, Kirt van der Woude seconds. Passed unanimously.

Suggestion is made to change name, which will be taken into consideration by committee.

## 8. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

**Kirt:** thanks for coming, everyone. Thanks for being engaged in your community. Volunteers, thanks very much for your involvement. If you're interested in participating, get in touch with one of us. As an example, Geoff Granville took an interest in helping neighbours after the flood and the Post-Flood Action Committee formed soon after.

## 9. Guest Speakers (time permitting until 8:30pm)

### 9.1 Ward 9 Update

Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra or representative

First: round of applause for your involvement.

Adjournment: Kirt, Geoff seconds. Passed unanimously at 8:30.

### 9.2 City of Calgary Recreation Coordinator Update

John Merriman - regrets

**9.3 Calgary Police Services Community Resource Officer Update**

Constable Staples - regrets



**Income/Expense by Category - Erlton Community Association - 2013**  
01/11/2012 through 31/10/2013 (in Canadian Dollars) (Cash Basis)

12/11/2013

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Category	01/11/2012- 31/10/2013	OVERALL TOTAL
<b>INCOME</b>		
Bank Interest	62.42	62.42
Erlton History Book	-54.70	-54.70
Flood Party 2013 - Sponsors	1,000.00	1,000.00
Membership Dues	405.00	405.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>1,412.72</b>	<b>1,412.72</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Uncategorized	0.00	0.00
Bank Fee	4.00	4.00
FCC Membership	236.25	236.25
Flood Party 2013 Expenses	951.36	951.36
Insurance	585.00	585.00
Membership Expenses	26.25	26.25
Newsletter	131.56	131.56
Planning and Development Costs	81.04	81.04
Post Office Box Rental	252.00	252.00
River Clean-up	23.65	23.65
Website	273.35	273.35
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,564.46</b>	<b>2,564.46</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>-1,151.74</b>	<b>-1,151.74</b>

**Net Worth - Erlton Community Association - As of 31/10/2013**

As of 31/10/2013 (in Canadian Dollars)

12/11/2013

Account	31/10/2013 Balance
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	
Erlton Chequing Account	4,512.09
Erlton Savings Account	18,277.53
<b>TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>22,789.62</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>22,789.62</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>22,789.62</b>