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The Erlton Community Association hosts monthly meetings every second Tuesday of the month at the Talisman Centre except for July and August. Meetings provide an opportunity for community members to receive updates on the status of projects from the ECA and bring any new issues to the attention of the community and executive.

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# Erlton Community Association

## December/2015 Meeting Minutes

Dec 8: 7:00pm

Call to  
Order

The December meeting of the Erlton Community Association (ECA) called to order at 7:03pm by Natalya Nicholson

### 1. Approval of Agenda

Motion to accept agenda as presented. Carried

### 2. Presentation of the Minutes

Motion to accept the October/2015 minutes as presented. Carried

Short AGM meeting in Nov will be sent in New Year.

Motioned by Natalya Nicholson. Seconded by Bill Fischer.

### 3. Guest Speaker: Iris Li

Neighbourhood Partnership coordinator – City of Calgary

- Can help with finances
- Connection with parts of the city – parks, traffic
- She can also help with training questions like with the Federation of Calgary Communities
- Lyndsey Park repairs
  - Water services is doing maintenance
  - Waiting for Parks to get back to her about other information
  - Calgary.ca has a list of projects going on by the City
  - Comment from member about inefficiency of work being done
  - Comment that community should be aware of what's going on – there seems to be things going on with 'drug area' so it would be really interesting to hear positive news
  - Comment that it would be nice to have some say over beautification
  - Comment about people not picking up their dog mess – can the City put up signs?

### 4. Information Items

#### a) President's Report: Natalya Nicholson

- Getting new board together
- Meeting with other community presidents and Greg Clark
  - Listening to concerns on Province etc.
  - ALGC rules on using casino funds
    - Erlton has never had the need before
    - looking to see if there's an opportunity to loosen the rules.

- Would be a way to do bigger work (e.g. on parks) as a fundraiser
- Will have meetings 3-4 times per year
- Thanks to Brad Smith for website

#### b) **Vice-President's Report: Krista Goranson**

- Learning about association
- Will attend a training session on Thursday
- Member asks for new Board member names and their positions to be announced.
- These are on the website but are as follows:

ECA executive for 2016:

**Natalya Nicholson** – President

**Krista Goranson** – Vice-President

**Bill Fischer** – Planning & Development

**Bonnie Fischer** – Treasurer

**Danielle Kraus** – Membership

**Greg Stewart** – Parks

**Vicky Grace** – Secretary

**Geoff Granville** – Chair, Post-Flood Action Committee

**Rob Lukacs** – Traffic

#### c) **Treasurer's Report: Bonnie Fischer**

Nothing to report

#### d) **Directors Reports**

##### i. **Membership: Bonne Fischer (on behalf of Membership)**

- 176 members last year
- 129 confirmed this year, mostly because membership drive was left too late
- Still waiting for Danielle's (Membership) list, so have not been advised of the status of 36 members.
- The most we can have is 165
- \$1165 raised for membership

##### ii. **Post-flood Action Committee: Geoff Granville**

- Calgary River Communities Action Group (CRCAG) Annual meeting tomorrow in Dicken's Pub
- crcag.ca to get details to attend
- Springbank Development supposed to be proceeding

iii. **Parks: Greg Stewart**

Not present

iv. **Planning and Development: Bill Fischer**

- Currently reviewing 48, 27 Ave SW
- Construction commenced on building last year, but the building was too far forward so the City put a work stop order
- 2 neighbours have given their consent, 1 neighbour opposes
- Mona (owner) gave more of a detail of timelines, but doesn't know how it came about
- 1 neighbour said they called the city at the stage of cement being put in, but there's no record of this at the City
- Opposing neighbour is worried about potential impact of future development
- Everyone can put opinion forward and then the City has to decide
- Rule allows another 1.5 meter in addition of average of neighbouring houses

**Eric Peters for Gian-Carlo Carra's office**

- Comment from community that there are inconsistencies throughout builds, creates frustrations and animosity between neighbours
- Monthly meetings – usually doesn't come to their attention unless it's complaints based
- Usually retaining walls or cladding come to their attention, never something being built in the wrong place
- File Managers do have discretion as to how a case is solved
- Comment that there are so many relaxations and no rules around what is stopping them
- ARPs need to be updated to allow for those changes
- Original ARP done in 1985
- Need to balance community members who think the ARP is bad vs good
- Ward 9 is helping other communities with visioning, community engagement to see what they want.
- Getting them set up with Planners, UofC etc.
- Helping them with community centric retreats
- Comment that the reason we have appeals is because relaxations occur of Land Use Bylaws
- Comment on visioning process for Mission Road. Frustration that this was appealed, won and then the City quashed the won appeal as Mission Road was in their vision.

v. **Traffic: Rob Lukacs**

- Traffic committee met and discussed the Anthem Development, Macleod and 25<sup>th</sup>
- Specifically the Overpass and pedestrian traffic (see later notes from Mac Logan)
- Agreement that Erlton is a dark community at night
- We need to agree on places where we can place lights
- Other neighbourhood communities are interested in getting together for a strategy for lighting and safety
- Traffic calming measures in South Erlton – have some ideas that are economical
- E.g. speed bumps, 27, 27 and 31 to Macleod

## Mac Logan, General Manager, Transportation Dept, City of Calgary

- Anthem property – pedestrian overpass
  - Final stage of negotiating an agreement with Anthem on their contribution
  - \$8.6M bridge
  - Should have a legal agreement before Christmas
  - Then they will get their Dev Permit ‘released’ (it has been provisionally approved already)
  - **Note: inquiries after the meeting show that the Development Permit for Anthem has not been approved yet**
  - Overpass - not agreeing which phase it will be built
  - Comment that overpass was needed BEFORE this development, and even looking at the plan it looks a less desirable way to cross than going across crosswalk
  - Traffic light approved for Erlton Road SW onto 25 Ave
  - Loading routes come off/on Macleod Trail
  - Comment on traffic calming for North Erlton and putting in temporary signal
  - Looking at potential design for angled parking along 22 Ave
  - Comment that there is already increased traffic along 22 Ave for those people going to Talisman
- Study of Macleod/25<sup>th</sup>
  - Another study going to be looked at for raising the C-train line so that Macleod/25<sup>th</sup> Ave is easier to get through
  - Vision for Macleod trail changes from 58 Ave south
  - North of this vision was more commercial boulevard, redevelopment, mixed use
- Local traffic issues
  - Overall effort to do a speed reduction throughout the city.
  - Trying to get right from Province to make those decisions in the city.
  - Erlton St – talked about adding sidewalk and parking control
  - Speed bumps on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> – have to go door-to-door – who’s prepared to have in front of homes? There are down sides.
  - Doubt that city will put sound wall up for one avenue
  - But different conversation to have sound wall from e.g. 25 -> 31 Ave and make them dead ends
  - Committed to added a walkway where the road turns by the cemetery

## 5. Ongoing business

Quick walkthrough of Anthem development

- Rocky from Anthem will be coming to ECA in January so we can ask more questions to him then
- Most recent plan will be put on the ECA website

Meeting  
Adjourned

The December meeting of the Erlton Community Association (ECA) was adjourned at 9:46 by Natalya Nicholson. Seconded by Bill Fischer.



Erlton Community Association MEETING ATTENDANCE

DATE: 8 Dec 2015

NAME	MEMBER	AFFILIATION

TOTAL: 17            Members: 13