
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.

Erlton Community Association

October/2016 Meeting Minutes

October 11: 7:00pm

**Call to
Order**

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

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion to accept agenda as presented. Carried

2. Presentation of the Minutes

Motion to accept the September/2016 minutes as presented. Carried

Motioned by Bill Fischer. Seconded by Bonnie Fischer.

3. Guest Speaker: Laura Smith – Business and policy planner, City of Calgary

- Came to talk about the River Access Strategy
 - Looking into specific access points or loading areas
 - In addition, with all the people accessing the Elbow, banks are getting damaged.
 - More information can be found here: www.calgary.ca/riveraccess
 - Survey: <http://engage.calgary.ca/riveraccess>
 - Discussion about River access sites – they need them to be safe, legal, resilient to floods, with garbage, washrooms etc.
 - Education and promotion opps (e.g. where to not go, watch for fish etc.)
 - Train people to be ambassadors for the river
 - Volunteers – environmental stuff
 - Economic Opps – people come here especially to fish??!!! They're complaining about the E.coli
 - E.coli measures are WAY above safe level in the Elbow and will be for years.
 - Main aim is to push people to the Bow
- Comments about whether there should be any recreation at all on the river – because of the environment, damage and health – most major cities do NOT have recreational access to their main river
- Comment about how there shouldn't be any access in our area (in this plan there seem to be 4 suggested points – if we include Lindsay Park)
- Maybe we could write a letter on behalf of the community?
- Comment - Environmental focus is a priority
- Comment – traffic and parking is already an issue in this are
- Please complete the survey or email Laura.smith@calgary.ca

4. Information Items

- a) **President's Report: Natalya Nicholson**

- Dinner event with Greg Clark's office
 - Comments about flood mitigation
 - Buying out land owners – Springbank
- Meeting with G-C's office next week to wrap up this year, going into AGM
- Have asked for more comment from Mac Logan, as we haven't heard anything back
- Asked Greg Clark to come to AGM meeting – maybe ask him to come at the beginning
 - Province's perspective of City charter?
 - Flood mitigation?

b) Vice-President's Report: Krista Goranson

- Board met prior to this meeting to talk about strategic planning
- Agenda on AGM
 - Communication strategy and engagement
 - Events
 - Traffic
 - Master plan
 - Parks

c) Treasurer's Report: Bonnie Fischer

- Completed final audits – will present at AGM

d) Directors Reports

i. Membership: Danielle Kraus

- An extra perk sign-on – Phil & Sebastian in Mission only – 10% off – YEAH!
- Have given them cards to display that show the perks
- Maybe send out an email to members about new perk
- MOTION - to reimburse Danielle for membership costs - Carried

ii. Post-flood Action Committee: Geoff Granville

- Spoke to Greg Clark – good news re. Springbank
- Outreach committee – want feedback about flood mitigation – workshops in the next few weeks

iii. Parks: Greg Stewart, not present

iv. Planning and Development: Bill Fischer, nothing to report

v. Traffic: Rob Lukacs, not present

5. Ongoing business

- AGM – starting at 6:30 so that River Grand Estates (condos near Talisman) who have their AGM on the same night can maybe come to both a bit

