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*The Erlton Community Association hosts monthly meetings every second Tuesday of the month at the Repsol 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**

## **March 2017 Meeting Minutes**

**March 14th: 7:00pm**

The March meeting of the Erlton Community Association (ECA) was an information meeting only, due to a lack of quorum. It commenced at 7:10 pm.

### **1. Approval of Agenda**

Agenda amended to add Item 7.b: "Lighting in Lindsay Park", as requested by May Lee.

### **2. Presentation of the Minutes**

February 2017 minutes were amended to add under Item 3 "Note: this was done after the meeting, and several spots were identified and noted by Danielle", as requested by May Lee.

### **3. March Community Awareness Month**

a. **What is this about?** Vicky briefly explained that there is information on this initiative under <https://calgarycommunities.com/marchcommunityawareness>.

b. **Interactive Workshop** – this was deferred to the end of the meeting. Participants placed sticky notes on three flip charts: 1) What do you love about Erlton? 2) What would you like to see your Community Association do? 3) Ideas for Neighbour Day.

### **4. Information Items**

#### **a) President's Report: Vicky Grace**

Vicky attended a Volunteer Management course through the Federation of Calgary Communities (FCC).

She met with our website manager, Brad Smith. They are working toward allowing other Board members to be able to post items to the site. A membership form is now on the site, but online membership registration is not feasible yet.

Vicky has designed a small flyer for distribution at meetings, Elbow Scene, etc. The FCC was impressed.

Vicky was interviewed for an [article about Erlton in a real estate magazine, CREB Now](#).

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

As Krista was absent due to a mid-term exam, there was no report.

c) **Treasurer's Report: Mona Hayes**

Mona has completed the first level FCC course on Accounting and will attend another one on Planning. The grant from the City for Neighbour Day has been received and Danielle Kraus has been reimbursed for the February Hot Cocoa event.

d) **Directors Reports**

i. **Membership: Danielle Kraus**

There are six new paid memberships and one new senior complimentary members. Three volunteers assisted with the ECA information table at the February 28<sup>th</sup> Open House on the Macleod & 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue Intersection. Mission Green Buildings (<http://missiongreenbuildings.com>) generously gave away vouchers to local businesses to new members registering

ii. **Post-flood Action Committee: Dean Campbell**

Dean was absent but Vicky reported that she has received an email about the Springbank Mitigation project. There are concerns from Tsuu T'ina Nation regarding water quality and lack of consultation. The project is to be built in 2020

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

No report.

iv. **Traffic: Natalya Nicholson**

The Open House on the Macleod & 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue Intersection held at the Repsol Sport Centre was very well-attended.

5. **Positions to fill:**

c. **Parks Committee**

This non-mandatory position is still open.

6. **Ongoing business**

d. **Neighbour Day – June 17**

ECA has received a \$1,000 grant, half of the \$2,000 budgeted by Vicky in her plan. She will meet with Julie Johnston of the Repsol Centre to discuss the possibility of holding our event there. Rosanne Pinchin mentioned that she can arrange for games such as giant checkers, Jenga, etc. Adult games such as potato sack races were suggested. Vicky may send out a survey for more ideas from members.

e. **25 Avenue SE/Macleod Trail Study**

Two new members joined ECA as a result of our table at this event. Katie Hope mentioned that the timeline for this project is 30 years but if citizens can build a case, it may hasten it. The plan will be reviewed every 10 years.

7. **New Business**

f. **Social Events Coming Up:**

- i. **Mill Street Brewery Tour – March 23<sup>rd</sup>** Susan Tyrrell reported that registration is slow, but confirmed with the pub that there is no minimum number of attendees for the tour.
- ii. **Jane's Walk – Sunday, May 7, 1:30 p.m.** The walk will follow shortly after the River Clean-up and has now been posted on the [Jane's Walk website](#).
- iii. **Book Review Night – April 27** Vicky has created a poster for the event. The book being discussed is "The Giver" by Lois Lowry and the location is to be determined, depending on the response.

- g. Lighting in Lindsay Park** – Following the walk through after the February meeting, Danielle Kraus sent a list of poorly lit locations to Constable Pon. She will follow up and forward a copy of her list to Katie Hope.

## 8. Guests

- h. Rosanne Pinchin – City of Calgary –NPC (Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinators) Report**  
43 community associations participated in two sessions held in November addressing how the City can better support them. A list of five major suggestions is available in her report. An External Partner Online Survey was held in October and drew 135 responses from 85 organizations. In response to a sports organization losing \$10,000 due to email phishing and spoofing, the city encourages community associations to remind their members of how and when to expect communications, transaction policies and forms of payment accepted. Effective November 1<sup>st</sup>, food and yard waste diversion practices will be required of all non-profit organizations, including community associations. Several other community associations expressed interest in our recent Hot Cocoa event.

In response to a query about dog waste on the river pathways near the Erlton townhouses, Rosanne suggested that the [PUPPY \(Pick Up Pooch's Poo Yourself\)](#) program has been effective.

- i. Ward 9 Update – Katie Hope**

The online Civic census will be open on April 1<sup>st</sup> with passcodes distributed in late March. There will also be door-to-door census takers. Birdwatching courses will be offered in the coming months, and there will be kids' day camp offered during Spring Break. Katie mentioned us that March is Community Awareness Month. She will follow up on our report on inadequate lighting in Lindsay park.

The information meeting concluded at 8:50 p.m.

Erlton Community Association MEETING ATTENDANCE

DATE: 14 March 2017

NAME	MEMBER	AFFILIATION
TOTAL: 9	Members: 7	