

ERLTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time: Tuesday March 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Location: Virtual meeting via Skype

Skype link: <https://join.skype.com/JUc7fFxiXleF>

Attendees: 10

Members: 8

Non-Members: 2

Call to order at 7:10 pm.

1. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- Agenda item number 2 revised to read “Minutes from February 2021” rather than “Minutes from October 2020”.
- Motion to approve agenda: Brigitta Catinean.
[Vote held; motion passes.](#)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 2021:

- Motion to approve February 2021 meeting minutes as written: Kasper Lund. [Vote held; motion passes.](#)

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Non-Agenda Item: Update from Lindsey, Ward 11 (Representative for Councilor Farkas)

- Guidebook for Great Communities - City planning document to replace dated policies.
- Jeremy vocal based on lack of stakeholder engagement. Appropriate amendments have been put forward ahead of March 22nd council meeting. Speakers encouraged to sign up for speaking at public hearing. Assumption council will vote. Letters to be emailed to be filed with the clerk's office
- Development proposal to be brought forward to council - Calgary Dream Centre to take over Holiday Inn for 145-unit affordable housing project. Concerns voiced from 200 residents on the implications of this going forward
- Paul Bergman: Park Hill community association approved based on presentation from the developer. Lindsay will confirm this with the community association as majority of feedback is in opposition. Paul to provide Lindsay with copies of flyers in opposition to the Dream Centre that were privately delivered to Erlton residents.
- Andrew Maxwell to send Lindsay the Parkhill CA document written in support of the Dream Centre.

Post meeting Note:

The Parkhill Stanley Park CA development committee site includes some useful references on their webpage and clicking on their map link lead to more information on next steps.

[Calgary Dream Centre Proposal to purchase Holiday Inn \(parkhillstanleypark.ca\)](http://parkhillstanleypark.ca)

[Current Development Applications \(parkhillstanleypark.ca\)](http://parkhillstanleypark.ca)

A public hearing regarding this proposal will be held in March 2021.

b. Vacant Board Positions:

- Motion to nominate Brigitta Catinean as Secretary: Paul Bergman
- [Vote held; acclaimed.](#)

- Parks, Traffic - vacant, no volunteers

- Call for volunteers for the Parks and Traffic Chair positions. No volunteers present at meeting. Request that all members canvas their neighbours to determine if there is anyone interested.

c. ECA Code of Conduct

- Finalizing draft based on feedback
- Kasper - revise term 'professional' throughout to common language. Revise signatory section to 'mark as read' and redistribute document

- Motion to send the CoC issues back to committee: Nicole Bakker
- [Vote held; motion passes.](#)

d. Financial Audit - Paul

- Paul has been working with Babette, Scott, and Mona, information expected to be input into Quickbooks and financial statements up to date. Babette making up for periods of financials not recorded. Information to be sent out. Annual financial statement should be presented at AGM. Statements will have to be voted on ASAP for submission to Provincial Government.

e. Pop-up garden

Previously:

Anthem Properties has agreed to make space available on their development site for a temporary community garden (1-year commitment).

Community members could use the space for growing plants, vegetables, herbs, etc., or simply to socialize outdoors.

Current:

- no progress, call-out for volunteers to be sent out
- Nicole Baker volunteered to participate on the committee
- Post Meeting Note: *Later in the meeting Sarah P w/CoC discussed a grant program for up to \$12,000 in matching funds. Our garden project is a perfect fit for this grant.*

4. REPORTS

President's Report (Andrew Maxwell):

a. Web hosting (Hostpapa)

- Accounts and payments to be transitioned

b. ECA Development Committee TOR

- The Development Committee Terms of Reference are currently under development. Additional details will be provided when a draft is available for discussion and review.

Vice President's Report (Nicole Bakker):

- Code of Conduct progress as mentioned above.

Treasurer's Report (Paul Bergmann):

- Progress on the audited financial statements as mentioned above.

Secretary Report (Vacant):

- No update.

Parks Report (Vacant):

- Richmond Green Park Upper Baseball Diamonds development
- Paul discussed how City Council decided to explore the sale and development of this 5-acre property through a Request For Proposal (RFP) process. No community consultation was completed. Richmond Green is a hidden gem within the city and loss of this park would be a mistake. Community is objecting, and this is likely to be reversed.

<https://www.rutlandparkcommunity.com/richmond-green>

<https://engage.calgary.ca/RichmondGreen>

Membership Committee Report (Nicole Bakker):

- Post Meeting Note: *New associate member vote held later in meeting.*

Erlton Planning Committee Report (Bill Fischer):

- All the latest information on current and past development activities in Erlton is available here: http://erltoncommunity.com/?page_id=12

Traffic Report (vacant):

- No update.

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5. NEW BUSINESS:

Guidebook for Great Communities and local area plan (Paul Bergman)

<https://www.calgary.ca/pda/pd/current-studies-and-ongoing-activities/guidebook-for-great-communities.html?redirect=/guidebook#guidebook>

- Paul: Current situation includes the Municipal Development Plan (MDP), a top down attempt to modernize development.
- The Guidebook is an attempt at inner city development to prevent urban sprawl and

- make city more financially stable. Push to densify inner city core.
- Plan has been there for years with no support. New version of the Guidebook brought to City Council and latest version is complete overhaul.
- The guidebook is an attempt to bring common language that every community would speak across Calgary.
- Guidebook would allow 3 story RCG development in any residential zone, including R1.
- It would not become a legislated document until a local area plan is ratified by the city for each area- at that point the policies and build forms to be applied to the local area plan. Until then, reliance on old policies continues to be in effect.
- Contentious issues include social equity, scale diagram, and a sustainability committee to maintain the Guidebook.

New associate member

- Move to Accept Ricky Bagga as an associate member: Nicole Bakker
- [Vote held; motion passes.](#)

Inspiring Neighborhood Grant

- Sarah P: Grant program for up to \$12,000 in matching funds. Our garden project is a perfect fit for this grant.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.

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