

Attendees: Earl Clements, Rosa Ficko, Brian Los, Bill Melenberg, Brad Mielke, Gerry O'Donnell, Cam Worthing, Kersh Naidoo, Stuart York, Anna Dunaeva, Cristiana Coarna, David Robert, Ron (a community member), Christine (a community member), Jeff (a community member), Alexander (a community member).

0.0 Welcome and Introductions

Call to order at 7:15 pm.

1.0 Approval of agenda

Earl MOVES, Brad SECONDS. APPROVED.

2.0 Approval of 2014 AGM minutes

Bill MOVES, Earl SECONDS. APPROVED.

3.0 Reports

3.1 Presidents Report

Gerry O'Donnell

Thanked all members of the board and coordinators:

- Kersh for extensive overall contribution as VP and grant applications, Big Bin event,
- Christine and all volunteers for Casino and other community events undertaken,
- Rosa for financial treasury management,
- Michael and Anna for keeping minutes,
- Cassandra for dealing with the civic and development issues,
- Brian Los and his wife for membership campaign,
- Kersh, Angie and Travis for the Fallfest event coordination,
- Brad and Vince for managing the playground renewal project,
- Brian for the Grow forward garden project,
- Earl for the neighbourhood watch,
- Kara and Heather as website coordinators for their support,
- Travis for his support in social media accounts
- Bill for the newsletter publications,
- Frank, Andrew and Alastair for the rink maintenance and attendant functions,
- Cam and Brad for the facility maintenance, hall and rec centre renovation coordination.

Neighbourhood renewal project: the concerns raised by residents were communicated to the city, a meeting with the city representatives took place, there were a number of communications with the contractor, the City program project manager, City engineer,

Scott McKeen and others regarding concerns; further actions and updates expected in the spring or summer prior to sign off of FAC by the city as promised by the City program staff in our meeting with them.

Playground renewal project: there was a successful meeting with Minister Sarah Hoffman, and dialogue with Scott McKeen at our annual meeting with him. The total amount raised to date is now over \$30,000. The community league has committed \$15,000 and the Grovenor School Parent Teacher's association \$10,000. Thanks to Brad and Vince as co-chairs on this important project. We also engaged a professional fund raiser for the project.

An AED was installed at the Rec Centre by the Heart and Stroke Association in conjunction with the federal government; and training on the device was also provided.

The board executive (Gerry, Kersh) together with Cassandra met with the Beaverbrook corporation three times in 2015 to discuss the designs for the proposed West Block (previously Skyline project) at the 142 St and Stony Plain Road intersection.

A skateboard rack was donated to the school by the Board. Thanks to Cam.

The community facilities including the Rec Centre and Hall were further renovated. A video surveillance system was installed at the Rec Centre. We received a third CLIP grant for this purpose.

The website was substantially updated by Kara.

The graffiti removal project was completed with the help of a \$500 city grant. Thanks to Cam and Alastair for assisting.

The presentation of the Lung Cancer Association was held regarding radon with free test kits provided to those attending as well as a booth at Fallfest.

The annual volunteer appreciation event took place at Tasty Tomato. Very successful event.

We renewed the city Community swim program privileges for Grovenor community league members for 2016.

We grew alliances with the Grovenor school (Vince) and St Paul's (playground project)

Grovenor annual tax exemption was approved.

Another great town hall meeting with Scott McKeen.

3.2 Treasurers Report

Rosa Ficko

Rosa advised that the revenues are higher than the previous year.

3.3. Committees Reports

Brian is working on fundraising opportunities and expects to have the fundraising stage completed in 2016.

3.4 2015 Financial Statements

Rosa Ficko/ Gerry

See the attached financial statements. Overall assessment was that the finances are all in order. **The assets are 164K**, the **deferred revenue & liabilities are 96K** (kept on Casino account, can be used for specific purposes only), the **expenditures are 64K**.

SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL REVIEW, Cristiana MOVES and David SECONDS, APPROVED.

4.0 Elections

Stuart York took over the meeting to run the elections. Stuart followed standard nomination procedures, calling for nominations three times. All positions received only a single nomination, so no votes were required.

President:

Nominated by Kersh, seconded by Bill: Gerry O'Donnell (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

First Vice President:

Nominated by Gerry, seconded by Bill: Kersh Naidoo (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Second Vice President:

Nominated by Gerry, seconded by Bill: Cristiana Coarna (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Treasurer:

Nominated by Bill, seconded by Gerry: Rosa Ficko (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Secretary:

Nominated by Gerry, seconded by Cam: Anna Dunaeva (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Neighbourhood Watch Director:

Nominated by Kersh, seconded by Rosa: Earl Clements (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Newsletter Director:

Nominated by Earl, seconded by Gerry: Bill Melenberg (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Program Director:

Nominated by Gerry, seconded by Bill: Barrett Kyle (previously expressed his interest).

Directors-at-large:

Nominated by Gerry, seconded by Kersh: Cam Worthing, Vince Bowen, Brad Mielke, David Robert, Bill Melenberg (accept, Vince previously expressed interest). Win by acclamation.

Nominated by Ron, seconded by Gerry: Christine Johnston (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Director of Memberships:

Nominated by Cam, seconded by Gerry: Brian Los (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Facilities Director:

Nominated by Gerry, seconded by Cam: Frank Santiago (previously expressed interest). Wins by acclamation.

Civics and Development Issues Director:

Nominated by Gerry, seconded by Kersh: Cassandra Haraba (previously expressed her interest). Wins by acclamation.

Sports Director:

Barrett Kyle nominated by Gerry, seconded by Kersh: Barrett (accepts). Wins by acclamation.

Social Director:

No person nominated: position left vacant.

Coordinators: nominated by Gerry, seconded by Kersh.

Website Coordinator: Heather Bolli (previously expressed interest),

Social Media Coordinator: Travis Watt (previously expressed interest),

Ice rink Coordinator: Frank Santiago (previously expressed interest),

Grovenor Playground Renewal Chair: Brad Mielke,

Grow Forward Garden Coordinator: Brian Los (previously expressed interest).

Each wins respectively by acclamation.

5.1 President's Address

Gerry

Overall has been a tremendously successful year with all primary goals and objectives achieved. Thanked all board members and volunteers for their tremendous contributions over the year.

There are several ongoing projects and activities that will have to be completed:

- further renovation of the Recreation Centre, maintenance and upgrade of the facilities,
- support for sports programs, including the ice rink for hockey and learn-to-skate programs,
- more social activities and programs, further utilization of the hall facilities,
- a successful Casino event in 2017,
- a successful Fallfest (to be coordinated by Kersh, Angie and Travis),
- further development of the website

- quarterly newsletter and other distributions
- further work on the playground renewal project, including fundraising to meet the 2017 construction goal
- Greenshack and pop-up and play programs
- maintaining contacts with the city regarding community issues (including neighbourhood renewal, ice rink programs, grant applications, etc.)
- ongoing communications with offices of Sarah Hoffman and Scott McKeen
- volunteer appreciation event
- big bin event
- grow forward garden

Gerry asked for feedback with other ideas for activities to involve community residents more.

Gerry encouraged everyone to be involved in some way.

6.0 Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 5, 2016

7.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.