

BLACKMUD CREEK COMMUNITY LEAGUE BOARD MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETINGS

DATE: October 17, 2017

LOCATION: Johnny Bright School Library

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

CHAIR: Rob Powell

PRESENT: Danita MacDonald, Rob Powell, Kim Lucid, Jonathan Spence, Freya Fu, Jill Gurela, Veronica Dutchak, Corice Dux, Mary Jean Chapelsky, Alana Clark, Garrick Ma

ABSENT: Thomas Varghese, Gil Rueck,

MINUTES: Jill Gurela

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

Rob Powell Called the Meeting to Order at 7:37 PM and Quorum was established

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon a motion duly made to approve the agenda with the addition of the Allard School Playground Ground. Approve the Allard Sign Graphics for the park. Discussion about sponsorship or partnership with local businesses. Motion made by Corice Dux, seconded by Kim Lucid and unanimously carried the agenda is approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (September 17, 2017)

Garrick not present. Remove the word "Level" from the Ice Rink (under Rob)

Upon a motion duly made to approve the minutes by Jonathan Spence , seconded by Alana Clark unanimously carried

BLACKBURN PLAYGROUND REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE (Kristine)

- Kristine sent in the Terms of Reference to Rob and Jill
- They want to set up an official Sub Committee of the BCCL
- Took out references to school as there is not a school in Blackburne
- Reviewed the Timelines on the Terms of Reference; 2020/21 start construction
- They did an online survey through SurveyMonkey. 68 survey's completed; in support of a playground being built
- The goal of the committee is to have all documents ready to submit to the City before Christmas this year

- Danita will be the BCCL representative on the sub committee
MOTION: To accept the Blackburn Playground Redevelopment Committee as Sub Committee and accept their Terms of Reference . Motion by Alana Clark, second by Corice Dux. Unanimously carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- \$19,000 cheque has been cashed to the School Board for future addition of Community Hall to the Allard School (Dr. Lila Fahlman)
- Kim and Rob met with Ward 10 Councilor Mike Waters; Kim felt he was really involved in the community and works well with the Mayor

REPORTS OF MEMBERS

SPONSORSHIP (Garrick Ma)

- Advertising on the inside of the rink. MJ will look into whether this is allowed with our yearly agreement.
- No longer supporting Community Views; maybe we can offer sponsorship opportunities through our Website and E-News, Social Media. Sell different levels of sponsorship based on what we could offer
- Sponsorship of Community League Day went well
- Maybe have sponsorship at our Winter event
- To help out local business
- MJ spoke about other CL that do their own Printed Newsletters Direct Mail (Lendrum and Empire Park). A business could sponsor the printing of the newsletter
- Next event is January Winter Event in Allard
- MJ will get Garrick a copy of the newsletters from other communities
- Different Levels of Sponsorship could be offered (Gold, Silver, etc.)
- Businesses that are sponsors could have contests to bring community members into their stores (colouring contests)
- Start with programming and go from there
- MJ will bring in a copy of Terwilligar's Community Newsletter

FACILITES (Jonanthan Spence)

- Hasn't had a chance to go to the Lawn Mower Hospital

VICE PRESIDENT (Kim Lucid)

- Callaghan Playground Committee – Cora's event this Sunday.

TREASURER (Veronica Dutchak)

- Veronica reviewed the current financial statements
- 30,000 in cash account (incl. 59,000 from Playground)
- Rink Rentals \$200
- Membership #'s will change – 237 memberships 334 memberships still to be sold
- Soccer Revenue reported

- Advertising – Calder Publications, Website, \$1000 RMA School
- CL Day \$1481
- Canada Day \$8000 less \$2000 from SWAC. Rob understood that funds from SWAC Cas
- Sign Guru – 4 signs
- Community Swim at YMCA, we hadn't paid for swimming since April. Veronica
- Porta Potties – no invoice from them? Veronica emailed them and no reply
- Veronica asked Rob to get a statement of account from Porta Potty Company
- Allard Rink – would be great if the agreement goes through to use casino funds for expenses
- Current loss of \$5900.00
- Casino Account: Assets (shed, ice equipment)
- AGLC – the first wire we received actually went into our Operating Account so we paid our casino workers from our operating account. The payment from AGLC went into the casino account
- Missing \$19,000 cheque for the school building – has not been cashed? Rob will check with Gil about this. Veronica needs to update the financials
- Deposit book – some deposits may be missing. Veronica will review

COMMUNICATIONS – Corice Dux

CRC – Mary Jean Chapelsky (Report) emailed

- MJ followed up regarding the paving of the Rink parking lot. She forwarded the email to Rob
- The City will be hiring someone to do it; not the school
- Rob questioned the sidewalk work the city is doing in Allard. MJ said it's because the developer is moving out
- Rink agreement being signed on Monday
- MJ will not be the CRC for our community starting in 2018. The CRC will be based on Ward; 2 CRC's for each ward. MJ confirmed that our CRC is experienced.
- MJ is working with Blackburn to make sure their strategy documents are in place before she leaves
- MJ stated we should think about prioritizing our Provincial Grant; with the playground sub committees the Province still looks at BCCL and its sub committees as one entity and we are only entitled to one grant each year. Maybe a needs assessment survey.
- Resident's in neighbourhood that doesn't have a Community League can purchase Association Memberships with a nearby Community League
- Garrick asked about Desroches joining Chapelle Community League. Chapelle Community League volunteers wanted to just keep it as their neighbourhood; as their build out will be 31,000 people
- MJ spoke about Heritage Park being too large; currently they have over 36,000 people in their Community League boundaries.
- Garrick asked if we could change our boundaries to include these neighbourhoods.
- But the concern is then more playgrounds to be built etc.
- Our build out is 36,000 with our current boundaries

- Some school playgrounds are eligible for a grant from the city but Dr. Lila (Allard School) may not be Eligible
- Garrick wants to find out more if we are eligible; MJ thinks that we cannot apply for this grant because of the Cpip grant we applied for the Callaghan Playground Committee.
- The grants are site specific; it has to be for the Callaghan Playground
- Garrick will talk to Roland (EPSB) and MJ about this more.
- This grant is outside of the CFIB grant.
- MJ also said that the Parent Advisory Committee could fundraise all the money but still have to go through the Community League
- NDPD is Neighbourhood based; once you receive it you can't apply for another 15 years.
- 3 levels of funding from city: \$250K (NPDP), \$75K,
- MJ look at all of Allard's green space and decide if we want to build anywhere else. Remember to look at the life cycle of the community. Don't want to build 2 playgrounds within too close of a timeframe as then both will need to be replaced at the same time (roughly)
- Rob asked MJ about signs for Dogs on Leash. MJ recommended that residents should call 311 to report it. Danita said someone was told to bring the issue to the Community League. MJ will talk to Bylaw about it. Keep reporting it as then it becomes "flagged".
- MJ asked if we would like a "No Overnight Parking" sign in the parking lot at the end of Blackmore Way/Bowness Wynd
- New dogs off leash policy has been accepted. Jonathan asked about developing an off leash park. MJ stated that there may be an off leash fenced dog park coming close to our community.

PROGRAMS (Alana Clark)

- No Halloween Party
- Winter Fun Day maybe mid January (3rd Saturday)
- Heated tent, hot chocolate, horse drawn sleigh rides
- Garrick suggested maybe a Hockey Tournament that day; maybe a competition with Heritage Point

TREASUER (Veronica Dutchak)

- Memberships to be deposited(48); sell 240 memberships before the end of the calendar year
- Money from the Golf Tournament was transferred to the Park Committee
- Sign Guru \$550
- Net Income loss **-3,375.45**
- Kim suggested having membership sales at the Cora Event
- Callaghan Playground project \$500; has been reconciled with the Playground Committee related to 2015
- No adjustment to Casino account except the \$19,000 for the Community Building
- Questic expenses can be put through the casino account with the Rink Agreement with the City in place.
- MJ stated to make sure on our year to year agreement the city pays
- Veronica stated that she would like us to find a new treasurer due to time constrictions

PRESIDENT (Rob Powell)

- Allard received another fall Green Shack program. Our numbers are good for green shack
- Rob filled out the survey from the city about the programs we would like to host (Learn to Skate, Green Shack, etc). He didn't fill out the survey related to Community Hall space. MJ said we could still do that if we have access to community hall space (gym, church)
- Rob signed up to be our representative for the South LRT Advisory Group.
- Signing the rink license on Friday.
- Rob renewed our League Insurance
- Rob will forward the email regarding school use of the rink.

NEW BUSINESS

- Blackburn Playground Committee should only require minimal funding from us. They have \$10,000 from a Casino before. Their HOA is also contributing funding.
- Allard Grant
- Fundraising
- Reviewed the Allard Park sign; MJ will have our logo added to the proof and send it to us for approval. The sign will be changeable copy.
- Rob received a quote from Playquest (Questic); pricing for flooding the rink. No snowbank rink. Initial set up fee and monthly fee or monthly fee to include set up. \$3200 per month for initial setting up and maintain the rink; flooding 3 times per week. We should do our best to clear the snow. They will prorate their monthly fees based on what they do.

MOTION: Motion by Jonathan Spence and seconded by Garrick Ma to approve the contract with Questic for the Allard Rink. Motion was Unanimously carried.

- Minimum wage has gone up; last year we paid \$13 per hour for rink attendants. This year \$14.

MOTION: Motion to approve a wage increase for the rink attendants to \$14 per hour. Motion made by Corice Dux and seconded by Garrick Ma. Motion was unanimously carried.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

November 21, 2017 at 7:30PM - Johnny Bright School

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

