

**Rio Terrace Community League executive board meeting
October 24th, 2018
Rio Terrace Community League Hall**

In attendance:

**Lance Burns, Josh Bowen, Daniel Mallett, Stephen Deck, Giselle General, Rachelle Roberts, Emma Woolner (recording),
NON-VOTING: Carrie Anne Doucette,**

With regrets: Tony Andrzejewski, Gary Burton, Perry Wynn, Auriana Burns, Brett Myers, Aman Athwal,

Meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:06pm

1) Approval of July 2018 Minutes

Motion to approve by Emma; seconded by Josh; unanimously approved, carried

2) Approval of August 2018 Minutes

Motion to approve by Emma; seconded by Stephen; unanimously approved, carried

3) Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve by Emma; seconded by Josh; unanimously approved, carried

4) Finance Report & budget update

Additional information: 2 months. Not a lot of activity in Aug or Sept. Except for memberships.

Motion to accept the Aug and Sept monthly financial reports as information by Dan; seconded by Steve; unanimously approved, carried

5) Items for discussion

- **Guest of the president: EFCL energy transition officer – Ronak Patel:** no one in attendance to report.
- **Guest: Telus fibreoptic representative: Scott Roberts** (senior research marketer for the build) and **Ayanna Rhindress** (region market manager). Here to answer questions. They are engaging all CL that they build in. They will also be the ears of everyone for remediation. Their goal is the education on why, process, etc. In short, it all started in 2015 and will end up costing \$1.6 billion. Their goal is to establish fibre lines for entire city of Edmonton. They are doing so area by area. Most of the lines are buried. Start stop due to winter. They are willing/enthusiastic to have a table at community events to field questions. Carrie will send info on the events. They will provide us with a FAQ for our newsletter.
A question for them: What are the standards with which they will leave the lawns/damage to driveways, etc.? All will be back the way it was. Lance: The shifting core repairs are a concern.
What are the next steps? You can expect a construction notice 2-3 months before there are feet on the ground. There will then be

representatives going door-to-door requesting permission to bring the fibre to homes (although there is no obligation for purchasing). Next summer there will be a backfill of grass. Once the quadrant is done, the activity of the fibre optics will go live and the salesmen will head out to our area. It is expected that an area is completed within 18 mos. Some unexpected surprises has delayed some builds.

- **Preschool report:** will present budget before the end of November
- **Soccer report:** No one in attendance to report. Dan reports that Perry has done his fall/indoor drive
- **Hall rental report:** lots of asks, but not many dates available.
- **Energy efficiency project report:** website – daily energy usage/production, Dec 12. Will likely be a few thousand dollars short. The grant is a bit lower than expected. Kuby should have completed the work in May. However, the wiring was messed up. This resulted in \$4600 above for work hours. An option would be to contract it out. Lance suggested to Kuby that we split cost 50/50. Next meeting, will need a motion to accept the overages, but until we have the totals...
- **Rio Terrace playground report:** still in the fundraising phase. Proposal: they are currently unable to provide tax receipts for donations. Could we use the building society such that we can distribute tax receipts? Is this against the society act? What does this look like? Something to consider.
- **Old business**
 1. Previous events: Big bin event

Motion to donate all proceeds from the big bin event 2018 to the Rio Terrace playground project by Rachelle. Seconded by Giselle. Unanimously approved, 1 abstention (Rachelle); carried

2. Upcoming events:

- Halloween: 2-5 Oct 27th; Lance and Emma will help. Carrie will set up student volunteers. We have a magician, balloon twister, ghost busters booked. Booked: photo booth, popcorn. To organize/buy: cookie decorating, candy for games, water, treat bags, bowl of oranges, napkins.
- Preschool silent auction: Nov 16th from 7-12pm.
- German bazaar (Mulled wine thing) is on Nov 30th. Shay will ask the board to send a poster for the newsletter.
- Breakfast with Santa: Dec 9th, budget: ?, catering? Music? Emma will send catering info to Stephen. In short, fruit from Costco, juice boxes/water, Accapella catered with pancakes and sausages. Rachelle has carollers. Photos for \$10. To organize... CHAIR? Ask James for the one we used last year. Another option would be to look on "Find". Also, to do: Volunteers.
- Running in Rio: cancelled. Perhaps next year. Signs on bridges? Look at available dates. Perhaps a different date for next year.
- Corner store project update (Lance): no update. We have had zero input.

3. Email addresses for directors at large (for Google drive access; Lance): we don't need more.
4. Heritage project (Lance): tabled to May 2019.

- **New business**

1. Kids on the roof: options for prevention and financing: Lance will deal with it. Will reach out to Una and other contacts. Metal fencing?
2. Plan/priorities for the building: should be a job for the maintenance director. What is the next big purchase? We know nothing about this... Josh will look into using interior design students. We need a list of TO DO projects with priorities. We also need is a "BIG OLD DOCUMENT". On it there would be a list of big-ticket items, when they were last replaced and when they will need replacing.
3. Back alley renewal position – Gordon Fuerst's letter (Emma): entire city, maintenance of back alleys, roads, sidewalks. This is a project for the common good. However, because we don't have back alleys, should we take a stance on our tax dollars and how they are spent. In terms of tax issues, what is within our purview? Our mandate is the use of space and programming. Tax regulation is not within our purview.
4. Christmas door hangs – Joyce Fuerst (Emma): Joyce has offered to do a tutorial on the creation of her door hangs. This would be a public service to the community. She wouldn't make any money on it. Would we be interested. We would be in charge of advertising it and would not charge her for use of the hall. YES!!! Emma will send the advert to the newsletter.
5. Community garden (Lance): the school has a community garden. They would like to tie in with league during the summer. The general consensus is that it is not something we can take on at the moment. However, there may be some interest in the church congregation (as there is a wait list for their community garden). Lance will have the school contact James.
6. Big bin donation (Lance): as per "Old Business" item #1

6) Communications

- a. **Doorknockers:** Dec 9/12 breakfast with Santa/solar efficiency presentation or preschool silent auction. Depending on timeline. Carrie should be able to make something up.

7) Reports

- NRC report – Una: no one in attendance to report.
- President – Lance: Unexpectedly, the rink guys would like to come back. Carlos said our machines are looking good for this year, but we should start to look at getting new ones. We need to make a plan.

Motion to permit the treasurer to use eFT for the purposes of the rink attendant payroll provided timesheets are approved by another signing authority - by Dan.

Seconded by Josh; Unanimously approved, Carried.

- Vice President – Josh: AGLC paperwork is in. We will need a membership, maintenance, and programs director.

- Membership – no one in position to report.
- Programs & Social – Stephen: Social as above. Programs:
 - i. Port-o-potties: need to be removed – Lance will message Erin.
 - ii. CL swim: the bill went up again (>\$200/month) and attendance numbers are not high. However, the numbers were not provided. Lance will talk to Auriana.
***Of note: we get 20% City of Edmonton off facility use with our memberships

Motion that we cancel the community league swim - by Stephen. Seconded by Josh; Unanimously approved, Carried.

- Signs – Stephen: he is too busy to keep up with it. He tried to get a hold of Kelly (she was away). Jen Osmond now has the key. Jen is paying her son \$50/month to change the signs. Stephen will do an orientation on how to do sign. The plan: Remembrance day message, silent auction, breakfast with Santa, board meetings for recruitment.
 - Maintenance – Gary: no one in attendance to report.
 - Newsletter – Giselle: write ups, upcoming events
1. The newsletter submission deadline is this Friday October 26
 2. Corey is going out of town for work on Sunday and will be working on the layout all day on Saturday. it would be very much appreciated if all 'regular content' is submitted on time or earlier.

Requested regular content:

- President's message
 - Recap of past events such as Big Bin
 - Soccer
 - Any 'Call for Volunteers' such as the currently vacant Membership Director Position and Maintenance Assistant
 - A finalized list of all upcoming events, as well as the posters for each, such as Illuminight, the solar panel workshop, and the winter festival if we are indeed having it
3. We are reserving 1/2 page of space to talk about the Halloween event at the hall this weekend
 4. Is anyone willing to be the next person featured for our "Meet Your Neighbour" article? Thank you to Rachele for being featured last time. It's pretty easy, you answer 6 broad questions such as when you moved in the neighbourhood, overall impressions about the neighbourhood, what you like about our neighbourhood, etc. Photo is optional.
 - o Meet your neighbor article volunteers? Nope. Joyce Fuerst perhaps? And have it coincide with her door hang class?
 5. We are implementing suggestions based on the last board meeting such as:
 - Front Page - having a longer and more more eye-catching list of upcoming events in the community, with descriptions about each event and which page has the poster for more details
 - President's message - because of having to make space for a more comprehensive list of upcoming events in the community, this will be moved to page 3
 - Reserving the back page for the church
 - All posters for community events will be full-page.
 2. Questions
 - With the legalization of marijuana, should we have an article about this in the newsletter? It should be easy to copy an online article about the topic. It would be good to spread awareness and generate discussion.
 - o Not written by us.

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- We received an 'ad request' which was an invitation to a resident's Christmas Coffee Party in their home. Should we charge money for this ad? Last time, for the person who requested a babysitter ad, we charged \$5 because she was not yet a community league member. I feel inclined to publish this as a quarter page ad, free of charge.

- Talking points:
 - o Physiotherapy is back in the neighborhood.
 - o Promoting businesses in the community. YES!

Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm

Next meeting is November 28th at 7pm