

**RIO TERRACE COMMUNITY LEAGUE Executive Board Meeting  
February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024; 7pm at the **Rio Terrace community league hall****

**Attendees: Emma, Perry, Tammy, Assia, Jen F., Andrew (7:15 pm), Sarah (7:21pm), Jen O (7:28), Auriana**  
**Non-voting: Carrie**

**Regrets: Kristin, Aleks, Stuart (non-voting)**

## **Minutes**

Call to order 7: 28pm

**1) Approval of Agenda**

**Motion to approve the agenda by Perry; motion to second by Sarah.**  
**Approved? Yes, unanimously.**

**2) Approval of November 2023 and Jan 2024 Minutes**

**Motion to approve Nov 2023 minutes by Assia; motion to second by Perry.**  
**Approved? Yes, unanimously.**

**Motion to approve Jan 2024 minutes by Perry; motion to second by Assia.**  
**Approved? Yes, unanimously.**

**3) Action items follow up from previous meeting – as per distributed rreport.**

**4) Finance Report**

**Motion to accept the January Financial Report as information by Jen F.;**  
**motion to second by Assia. Approved? Yes, unanimously.**

**As distributed by Jen F.**

**Of note:** actual expenses have been less than the budget; main issue is cash – expenses that need to be paid February through April should leave \$10k; casino cheque should not come until July – expecting roughly \$70k;

**Consideration for rink budget: would it be more economical to hire two attendants so that 1.5x pay wouldn't be an issue? Are we tracking attendance?**

**Consideration for donations: keeping track of where donations are intended to go, to ensure that donors feel the money is going towards valuable items**

**ACTION: Lance to chat with Peter about hours and budget**

**ACTION: Jen F. to track donations (check Donor Box for tracking information) and indicate (in newsletter?) where donations are going (ex: signs)**

**Energy efficiency project report of usage**

- As per distributed report
- Of note: breaking even currently – generate enough and get paid a high enough rate to pay for water and electrical bills from EPCOR (including non-consumption fees), paying for natural gas still; operating as intended

- **ACTION: none**

- **Grants – Auriana**

- **Grants – CFEP final report due**

- Of note: SUBMITTED – have not heard anything back

5) **Items for discussion**

- **Preschool report**

- **ACTION: Auriana to inform Emma of open house dates**

- **Registration for 2024/25**– open house February – still space in 3 year old AM class, 3 & 4 year old PM class – another open house in March

- **Preschool sign** – neighborhood contact rates came in quite a bit higher than our previous quote. Will get updated quotes.

- **Soccer report**

- As per distributed report

- **Hall rental report**

- As per distributed report

- ~~▪ **Tennis courts**~~

- ~~▪ **Old business**~~

- ~~▪ **Email business**~~

- **New business**

- **Secretary role – Sarah acting**

- **Newsletter vacancy – not sure when Marly is returning – Emma to support distribution; Carrie to help with design / Canva as necessary**

6) **Reports**

- NRC report – Stuart

- 1. Of note: Per distributed report

- President – Emma

- 1. Hall rejuvenation subcommittee - infrastructure subcommittee – working on community involvement – what do community members want? How to recruit members who are skilled labourers and able to support design and work; donations in kind can be used to have matching for grants

- 2. Communal – directly tied into EFCL – database tracks – previous memberships need to be sent to Communal – if we want more than just membership we would have to pay for it

- 3. ACTION: Emma to distribute Communal information**

- Vice President – Assia

- 1. ACTION: need 5 positions filled for the casino**

- Newsletter – Kristin: not in attendance to report.

- Senior's programming – Emma

1. Of note: currently working within the calendar availability rather than making requests  
YOGA and coffee time are a go. Bridge card game has been slow going, but hoping to grow. The seniors are very appreciative of our support and Emma's liaising.
- EFCL – Andrew O & Tammy
  1. Of note: district meeting February 27 – discussed recent programming; trouble gathering volunteers in many communities;
  2. Workshop that Tammy attended – Where Did All The Volunteers Go – ideas where to find volunteers (membership, Facebook, targeting students)
- Maintenance – Lance
  1. Of note:
  2. ACTION: cost out motion sensor in bathrooms (including electrical work); tap dripping in the kitchen
- Membership – Marly – as per distributed report
- Social/Programs – Tammy
  1. Past events: NONE
  2. Upcoming events? Ideas? Oilers watch party; Dodgeball nights; pub night / live music night; craft beer night
- Signs – Perry – open to ideas

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## **Agenda**

- 1) Approval of Agenda**
- 2) Approval of November 2023 & Jan 2024 Minutes**
- 3) Finance Report & budget update**
- 4) Items for discussion**
  - a. Miscellaneous**
  - b. Donations**
  - c. Grant funding**

## **JAN**

### **ACTION ITEMS: Jen**

1. (if possible) indicate different lines for electricity, gas, water to understand how much we are saving on electricity (for the next financial report)
2. CLOG grant – due March 1st

### **ACTION: Auriana**

1. connect with Laurier treasurer connection about their renovations;
2. look into grants: seniors, pickleball, rink grant for 2024/25
3. request updated preschool sign quotes
4. connect with Brandon to see if Preschool funds were returned (was discussed in November)
5. **Assia** to connect Auriana to neighbourhood contact (Alex) who may be able to source a better price for preschool sign – need to let her know price range, size, requirements

### **ACTION: Lance**

1. flickering preschool outdoor light (contact GES, should be under warranty)
2. contact rink guys about disposing of small rink nets, which look to be destroyed
3. if any preferred vendors, supply list to EFCL?
4. look into recurring event WordPress issue (for Kristin)
5. Is it an option to have our calendar color coded on RioTerrace.ca? To highlight events such as those for seniors programming?
6. Fence slats

### **ACTION: Assia**

1. connect Auriana to neighbourhood contact (Alex) who may be able to source a better price for preschool sign – need to let her know price range, size, requirements

### **ACTION: Emma**

1. November meeting minute edits (spots for editing identified by yellow highlight)
2. email board for “hall rejuvenation action committee” – looking at hall assessment and meeting with Shawn Goode;
3. email Sunday prior to SENIORS COFFEE to recruit for set up on Mon evening
4. reach out to Steve about connection for pricing windscreens
5. set up signing authority
6. help with newsletter formatting while Marly is on leave: **Emma and Perry**
7. Send Perry casino volunteer sign up
8. Marly’s address to Jen
9. Communal? How does it work? What do we need to do with it?
10. Card tables!!!
11. Meeting minutes to google drive

### **ACTION: NEWSLETTER**

1. full page with large QR code for donations

2. request for card table donations
3. Exercise leader (volunteer?) for seniors
4. Skate tags – inform of how ppl will obtain them

**ACTION: Perry**

1. look into whether we need another special meeting for submitting our bylaws (how long before it lapses?)
2. add bridge for Seniors on sign
3. help with newsletter formatting while Marly is on leave: **Emma and Perry**
4. Casino volunteer sign up help (receive from Emma)

## **FEB**

### **ACTION ITEMS: Jen F.**

1. Return fees collected by Square in Jan to preschool

### **ACTION: Auriana**

1. connect with Laurier treasurer connection about their renovations
2. look into grants
3. Receive/distribute updated preschool sign quotes

### **ACTION: Lance**

1. Flickering preschool outdoor light (contact GES, should be under warranty)
2. Get quote for rerouting the guttering/drainage that goes directly onto the sidewalk by the preschool
3. Fence slats
4. Posting meeting minutes on the website: August 2023 onwards
5. Perhaps done already? Contact Peter about disposing of small rink nets, which look to be destroyed - update: someone donated some new ones (not new new ones, but new to us). I notified Peter.

### **OPTIONAL:**

6. Is it an option to have our calendar color coded on RioTerrace.ca? To highlight events such as those for seniors programming? Just an idea that a board member floated
7. If we have any preferred vendors, supply list to EFCL?

### **ACTION: Emma**

1. reach out to Steve about connection for pricing windscreens
2. set up signing authority – March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8pm
3. Communal workshop recording – distribute to board
4. Contact EFCL: non-profit banking options
5. Pricing for Steve's summer rental

### **ACTION: Perry**

1. look into whether we need another special meeting for submitting our bylaws (how long before it lapses?) Tabled
2. Casino volunteer sign up help

### **ACTION: NEWSLETTER**

1. Carrie has offered to help next time if need be.... Could we use Canva to build the newsletter?

## **RTCL Solar Energy Report – Feb 28, 2024**

### **2023 Results**

Energy generation in 2023 from the Rio Terrace Community League solar panels totalled 26.76 MWh for the year, which was only 100 KWh less than our production in 2023 of 26.87 MWh. Sunny and warm 'winter free' weather in the last three months of 2023 partially offset the negative impact of the reduction in generation we experienced in the spring and summer months due to the air quality (smoke) issues). For March through to and including October 2023 the solar panels generated 25MWh of the 2023 yearly total of 26.76 MWh - the bulk of the solar energy generation takes place from March through October each year due to our great Alberta resource of blue skies and long hours of sunny days.

FYI - based on an 'average Alberta house' usage of 700 KWh per month, the RTCL solar panels generate in one year enough power to supply the electrical needs of 3 houses for a year.

FYI - the rated installed capacity of the solar panels is 27.2MWh annually - so we seem to be very close (above 98%) to generating the rated level of electrical power.

### **2024 Status**

Jan 2024 energy generation of 169 KWh was slightly higher than our historical average for the first month of each of 2023 and 2022 of around .115MWh to .145 MWh for the month. Feb 2024 generation is expected to be about 800 KWh, which exceeds last year's Feb production of 619 KWh.

January and Feb are typically poor months for energy generation due to cold weather, snow staying on the panels and of course fewer hours of daylight. In March we can expect to see monthly power generation to increase into the 2.5MWh range with power generation in April through August averaging 3.5MWh monthly.

Respectfully submitted,

Perry Wynn



## **RTCL Soccer Coordinator Soccer Report – Feb 28, 2024**

### **2023 / 2024 Indoor Season**

The 2023 / 2024 Indoor season regular play was completed this past weekend. Rio Terrace hosted 7 boys teams and 2 girls teams during the Indoor season as well as 1 U7 mixed gender team. Notable achievements standings wise for this season included the U13 girls (Vanderwelde) team advancing to the City wide Tier 6 playoffs and the U13 (Machnik) girls team and the U17 (Klappstein) boys team have both advanced to Tier 4 Alberta Provincial Championships (highest level of play for community teams). There were 175 + players on Rio Terrace based teams during the Indoor season. The season ending Slush Cup tournament takes place this coming weekend.

### **2024 Outdoor season Registration is underway**

Player registration is currently about 1/2 completed time wise with registration to close on March 12. We are currently sitting at about 180 players registered. We anticipate getting to another 60 or so registrants by the close of the registration. Player registration takes place on-line using the emsasoccerportal.

We will form Rio Terrace based teams during March and early April. The 2024 outdoor season will start in late April / early May - weather permitting - and conclude at the end of June.

Respectfully submitted,

Perry Wynn, Rio Terrace Soccer Coordinator

## Hall Rental Report - February 2024

In February, we had a total of two hall rentals. The first rental was on February 17, for a birthday celebration, and the second rental was on February 19, for a child's birthday. Both events went smoothly, and we received positive feedback from the renters.

### Upcoming Hall Rentals:

March 2nd - Shaylene Saxton  
April 13th - Baby Shower  
June 21st - Graduation Party (Jen Osmond)

Tennis Hall Rental: As we approach the summer season, we need to consider the rental for Steve. Not sure what you want to charge. Once I know this I will get back to Steve with the agreement.

*Thanks a Bunch,*

*Carrie Anne Doucette*

**Rio Terrace Community League**

NRC Report  
Feb 28 2024


Stuart York


The **Off-leash Program is accepting applications** from interested Community Leagues to participate in the Temporary Dog Park Program. These spaces must be fully enclosed and accessible for all potential users. Please refer to the website for further application requirements.

### **Did you hear? The new Zoning Bylaw is in effect!**

Hey, Edmontonians! We're thrilled to announce that our city has a new Zoning Bylaw in place. This is a big step forward in shaping Edmonton's future. 🎉

 How does zoning impact you?

Whether you're a homeowner, a business owner or someone with a dream construction project in mind , the new Zoning Bylaw affects what can be built where.

 **We Want You To Be Informed!**

We've created resources to help you learn more about what's changed and what it means for your property, your neighbourhood and our city.

Check out [edmonton.ca/ZoningBylaw](https://edmonton.ca/ZoningBylaw) for one-pager breakdowns, a map, videos and more!

### **Happy New Year from the District Planning project team!**

Here is an overview of the project's next steps in 2024:

- **January to March:** Analyze engagement feedback and make changes to the district plans
- **April:** Share the What We Heard Report and final draft District Policy and plans ([edmonton.ca/districtplanning](https://edmonton.ca/districtplanning))
- **Early May:** Begin advertising in advance of public hearing
- **May 28 to 30:** Present bylaws to adopt district plans and repeal or amend other geographic plans to City Council public hearing
- **June to late summer:** Submit district plans to the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board for review
- **Late summer to early fall:** Present the plans for third reading (official adoption) by City Council at a regular City Council meeting

If approved, district plans will begin informing planning decisions in the fall. Questions about how district plans may affect a current or future Land Development Application should be

directed to your Neighbourhood Planner. For more information visit:  
[edmonton.ca/districtplanning](https://edmonton.ca/districtplanning)

The City of Edmonton's Capital City Clean Up (CCCU) program is pleased to be offering the Community Mural Grant again this year. Applications are now open: **Community Mural Grant**

The Community Mural Grant is open to non-profit organizations, licensed businesses and community leagues who want to beautify their neighbourhood through a mural creation. Applicants can apply for up to \$8,000 in funding on a matched-funding basis. Applicants must contribute 25 per cent of the total requested funding. Funds must be matched through financial, donation, or in-kind contributions. Grant funds can be used for consultations, artist services, paint supplies, anti-graffiti coating or other needs associated with the creation and installation of a mural.

Murals are an important form of public art that can have a profound and positive impact on a city and its well-being. They help transform spaces, encourage people to engage with their environment, shape a community's identity and deter graffiti vandalism. Since the program's inception in 2011, CCCU has funded more than 70 murals.

Applications open March 1, 2024 and will be accepted until May 15, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. Due to high demand and limited funding, grants are awarded to applications that score the highest based on several factors including mural vision, project timeline, community engagement and collaboration, project alignment and scope, mural preservation plan and graffiti vandalism. For more information and a link to apply:  
[edmonton.ca/muralgrant](https://edmonton.ca/muralgrant)

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### **Community Clean Up Grant**

The Community Clean Up Grant provides funds to community leagues, non-profit organizations and business associations for the purpose of conducting waste and/or litter removal projects in their communities. Applicants can apply for up to \$1,000 in reimbursed funds by hosting a clean up event that features a reuse component (such as the collection of donations).

By participating in a community clean up event, citizens are contributing to a greener and safer Edmonton. In 2023, participants under this grant reported approximately 179,000 kilograms of

waste collected in their communities and 24,000 kilograms of waste diverted from landfills through donations and other reuse efforts.

Applications will open March 1, 2024 and will be accepted until September 30, 2024 at 11:59 p.m., or until the program is fully subscribed.

The City's **Pop-Up Community Garden** program is returning for a fifth year. Pop-up community gardens consist of raised planters that will be delivered to City-owned parkland or community league licensed land, and are designed for community food production. These temporary gardens play a vital role in fostering healthy and active lifestyles and more connected communities while helping Edmontonians access fresh, locally grown food.

Interested groups are invited to submit their application from January 19, 2024 until March 1, 2024. The application form is available at [edmonton.ca/popupgardens](https://edmonton.ca/popupgardens)

## *February 2024 Membership Update*

Membership sales were very high this past month; and most were family memberships. I'm guessing this is due to soccer registration?

Membership supplies for 2024/2025 have now been ordered.

Thanks to Jen I now have a Communal membership which I needed to view the EFCL membership purchases. Thanks so much, Jen!