

AGM – Secord Community League – April 24, 2017

Call to order – 702pm

Attendance

Angela Richardson (President)	Carmen Kristel (Vice President)
Janet Reiter (Secretary)	Candice Simpson (Treasurer)
Shaun Boyle (Civics)	Andrea Keleman (Memberships)
Alex Miklas (Social)	Nichole Gillett (Member at Large)
Melody Wilson (Playground)	Candace Smashnuk (Member at Large)
Tami Dmytruk (Member at Large)	

Roy Bedford (COE Community League Rep)

Absent

Jenaya Buchko (Communications) Justin Griffith (Member at Large)

Guests

Kelly McCauley (MP)
John Carson (MLA)
Orville Chubb (EPSB Trustee)
Lyndi Karbonick (Principal of David Thomas School)
Thomas (Secord Rep for Neighborhood Watch)
Andrew Knack (City Counsellor) – absent, but sent report

Approval of Agenda

Adjustment to agenda - Elect Civics Director
Motion to Approve Agenda: Andrea
Second: Alex

Approval of Last AGM Minutes

Motion to Approve Past Minutes: Nichole
Second: Candace

Executive/Committee Reports

President – Angela

- New exciting things in past year
 - o Epic Block Party
 - o Creating community, creating a great place to raise families
- Changes
 - o School in Secord – David Thomas King School
 - Principal assigned -Lyndi Karbonick
 - Playground Committee formed
- Pick up after your pets
 - o Pets need to be on leash
 - o Call bylaw if you see anything
- Crime
 - o Lock doors, park in garage, know your neighbors, report suspicious activity, neighborhood watch

Treasure – Candice

- Total Revenue \$8804.46
- Total Expenses \$13,204.00
- Net Income -\$4399.54
- Account Total \$17,211.10

Motion to Approve Treasurer's report: Carmen

Second: Alex

Social – Alex

- Good year with great turn out for events
 - o Xmas party with Santa
 - o Epic party in September
 - o Ice skating rink
- More events planned for this coming year!

Civics – Shaun - *see handout*

- Parking Ban
 - o Along Secord Blvd adjacent to Winterburn Rd. to improve traffic flow in and out of Secord was put into effect this past fall as a partial solution to having a single access and exit. Work is being done in the north-west corner of Secord to provide a second entrance close to the new school. Completion date is supposed to be in the fall of 2017. Thanks to all the Secord residents who helped to get the parking ban on Secord Blvd and voice their opinions to the city and the developer.
- LRT Expansion
 - o Initial approval for federal, provincial and city funding for the LRT expansion to the Lewis Estates bus terminal. 5 to 7 year timeframe?
- Lewis Estates Rec Centre
 - o Preliminary drawings have been prepared and presented to city council. Very energy efficient and environmentally stunning design. Next step is getting approval from city council on funding for structural engineered drawings and finalizing the sale of the land. 2 to 5 year timeframe?
- Park Garbage
 - o Discussion between the city and Hopewell developers regarding who's responsible for picking up the park garbage. Hopewell is still responsible for all parks and pond areas until they completely turn over all park and pond areas to the city. The city is responsible for the ball-diamonds. The community is expected to keep BLVDs, access sidewalks and back alleys free of garbage. 1 to 2 years timeframe before Hopewell transfers all park space over to the city.
- Community Spring Clean up
 - o Date to be determined – after the snow is gone. All people willing to volunteer for a couple of hours on a Saturday morning in May to clean up garbage that has drifted into the parks, pathways, blvds etc. Info will be provided through our Secord Facebook page.
- Snow Bank Rink
 - o This was the 3rd year of our community snow bank rink. New design cost \$4300 for re-useable boards. Secord's rink was home to a three session

- learn to skate program offered from the City of Edmonton Rec Dept this past winter.
 - Hopefully when the new park area by school completed, might be able to have a large rink and the small rink.
- New K-9 School – David Thomas King School
 - Scheduled to open September 2017. A playground committee has been established and the city has preliminary plans for sports fields and passive park area.
- Storage Locker
 - Secord Community League now has a storage locker to properly store property instead of filling up members' garages.

Communications – Jenaya

- We have several ways that we communicate to you: Website, Social Media, Sign at the front of the neighborhood, and our quarterly e-newsletter.
- Our day to day and most frequent updates happen through Facebook. If you're interested in reading the past minutes and newsletters from the last couple of years, they can be found on the website. We also keep you up to date on membership, programs, civic news, community events, volunteer opportunities and general community info.
- We now have 631 followers on Facebook, 189 on twitter, and 307 newsletter subscribers so we want to keep that growing to continue to raise awareness on our events and what as a community league we are working on.
- Communication Position is available this year – Jenaya has been in this position for the last 4 years.

Membership - Andrea

- Sold 184 memberships
- Call EFCL to update postal codes to get memberships online
- Memberships include – 5 free swim/membership
 - Problems at pool, have the pool staff call 311 to clarify how our program works
- Membership Position is available this year – Andrea has been in this position for the last 4 years.

Playground – Melody

- Met 3 times – still looking for volunteers – 10 members currently
 - Preliminary work mostly complete
 - Next step – public opinion survey
 - Will not be a playground for the school opening – a few years down the road
 - Need volunteers, money

Guest

Member of Parliament – Kelly McCauley

- Feds are spending money – mostly on infrastructure.
- Marijuana Legalization
 - They are meeting with RCMP and municipalities – working on how to police use of marijuana.

- Measurement of impaired driving?
- Takes about 1-2 years to get anything passed in parliament and senate – could get pushed to about 2.5 years
- Provincial age needs to be set
- Will be town hall meetings info sessions – keep your eye on announcements
- If you need help with taxation, employment insurance, notary, marriage, immigration – Kelly can help

Member of Legislature Assembly – Jon Carson

- Bill 1 – passed – reduce school fees starting 2017/2018
- Alberta Budget 2017 – similar to 2016 – post secondary tuition freeze
- \$65m to Misericordia Hospital – emergency, maintenance
- Funding for LRT – valley line - \$129m from the Province – hopefully will be big push to get started
- Meet with Jon – opportunity to meet your neighbors, discuss provincial issues and learn more about upcoming events in the community.
 - Pat and Mike’s Family Restaurant – 17732-102 Ave – 730-9am last Friday of the month
 - Donna’s Eatery – 21516-115 Ave - 12pm on the last Saturday of the month
- Jon will be hosting a family resource event
 - Child Tax - income for families with children
- Province is giving \$400m towards a new Hospital on the southwest
 - Possible location is Henday and 127street

EPSB Trustee – Orville Chubb

- Michael Phair School (G 7-9) in Webber Greens
 - All students currently attending Winterburn School in Gr. 7-9 will be redirected to Michael Phair School effecting for the 2017-2018 school year. Jr High at Winterburn will no longer be offered.
 - No Yellow Bus service to Michael Phair School
 - Kim Hung School in Glastonbury will be hosted at Michael Phair School until January 2018, due to delay in construction on Kim Hung School.
- Long Term Care Facilities
 - There are discussions to consolidate the schools in older neighborhoods to be used for long term care facilities.
- High schools in the future
 - There is a space a concern for the newer communities as the children grow older
 - In 2025, there will be 2-3 high schools in west end.
- What is the implication if the catholic system changes to only accept Catholics in their school system – similar to what’s going on in Saskatchewan.
 - Could we run a Catholic faith base program in the EPSB?
- Bill 1 – Reduce School Fees for instructional supplies or materials and fees for eligible students taking the bus to their designated school.
 - Transportation costs will be very high, especially high school students.

Principal at David Thomas King School - Lyndi Karbonik

- Opening September 2017
- K-9 School

- Looking at getting Parent Council up and running to work on playground along with the Community Playground Committee
- Letters being sent for the kinder families to confirm enrollment
- Meet and Greet Event June 1 630-730pm @ Bessie Nichols School
- Hoping staff to be in for August 1, if not, August 15.
- September 5 – First day of school
- Follow the progress of the school construction and set up on Facebook
- There will be an open house in September
- Currently, they have an open boundary attendance
 - o anyone can come until they are at capacity
 - o transportation for Big Lake Communities
- Partnership with Kinder Care YMCA – out of school care in the school
- Walton (developer) gave verbal confirmation that the road (231st) will be ready for school start

Neighborhood Watch – Thomas

- What it isn't:
 - o Don't patrol the neighborhood
 - o Not engaging with crime
 - o Not membership driven, no fees
- How to Participate:
 - o Call 911 if you see suspicious activity or to report a crime
 - o Be a witness
 - o Walk the block
 - Register on the app, go for a walk and report what's going on while you are out. Helps reduce crime when people are walking around, log your walk - it helps the police know what's going on.
- To report crime:
 - o call 911 for crime in progress
 - o 780-423-4567 or #377 (mobile phone) for non-emergency line
- For more information on Neighborhood Watch, please contact Thomas @ enw@secordcommunity.com

Edmonton City Councillor - Andrew Knack

- Lewis Farms Rec Centre – schematic design is up on the city website along with a good breakdown of what will be in the rec centre.
 - o https://www.edmonton.ca/projects_plans/parks_recreation/lewis-farms-community-recreation-facility.aspx
 - o The next step is there will be a recommendation put forward by the Admin at the Spring Capital Budget Adjustment in a few weeks to proceed with the detailed design. That is an 18 month process and along with finalizing the land acquisition, that will make the project shovel ready. The next Council will have to approve the actual construction but with all the design work done, it would be odd not to proceed with construction in 2019.
- LRT
 - o The city is still waiting for confirmation from the Provincial Government but don't need their confirmation for a couple more months. The city has started detailed design work for the West LRT which will take around 24 months. The earliest they will likely start construction is around mid 2019

from what Andrew is told. Andrew is told the project team wants to hold a public meeting before the end of June to catch everyone up to speed.

- Andrew would like to offer a reminder to everyone that they can keep up-to-date by visiting his website and adding him on Facebook/Twitter. Andrew, is going to try and hold more regular Facebook Live Community Conversations as he realizes a lot of residents (especially with young children) are not usually able to attend the in-person community conversations. If anyone has any specific questions or comments, please call Andrew at 780496-8122 or email him at Andrew.Knack@edmonton.ca

Elections

President

Candace Smashnuk is the new President

Secretary

This position is still open

Social Director

Nichole Gillett is the new Social Director

Civics Director

Maxime Belanger is the new Civics Director

Communications Director

This position is still open

Membership Director

This position is still open

Directors at Large

Brittany Paetal

Shaun Boyle

Alex Milos

Auditors for 2017

This position is still open

Adjournment at 842pm.

Next meeting May 30 @ 7pm locations TBA.