



MINUTES

Present: June Bergman, Darren Bourget, Jérémie Bourqui, Karen Bradshaw, Scott Chomistek, Jennifer Dotchin, Cydney Elofson, Jeremy Gukert, Karen Kirnbaurer, Murray Scotton, Monique Tambay-Roest, Darcie Todd, Kay Wilford

Office Staff: Sherry Gavlin, Deb Hall, Rita McMillan

Guests: Brigitta Olsen-Diehl

Notes taken by: Monique Tambay-Roest

1. Introductions

Cydney

Called to order by Cydney at 7:31

2. Remarks from the Chair

Cydney

3. Approval of meeting agenda

Cydney

Jenn moved to approve the October 2020 Agenda as presented, Kay seconded. Motion Carried

4. Approval of September 2020 Minutes

Cydney

Jérémie moved to approve the September 2020 minutes as presented, Jeremy seconded. Motion carried.

5. Acknowledgment of Written Board Reports Submitted

Cydney

- a. Counsellor's Report, NPC Report, CPS Report, Crowchild Hockey Association, Edible Garden Group, Community Safety, Pumptrack, Pumpkin Walk, Community Development, Building Operations, Office Report, Botanical Gardens, and Scouts/ Cubs/ Beavers

6. Guest Reports

- a. PSAC

Brigitta Olsen-Diehl

The Preschool year has started well. There have been a lot of absences due to runny noses, but parents have been very understanding and patient, keeping their kids home, and not sending them back early. Each day, a parent from the preschool washes all the toys in the industrial dishwasher at the CA. The preschool has a new shed and the teachers are very appreciative as they are spending a lot of time outside. Preschool photos were taken the first week in October, and the photographer agreed to return at a later date as several kids were away. Laura Anderson emailed the three year old families that had withdrawn, outlining the protocols, and COVID protocols that have been put in place. Two families have returned, and two more are considering it and will decide this month. The four-year old programs are both at capacity. The fall fundraisers will go out this week.



7. Executive Committee Updates

Cydney

a. AGM

The Executive Committee further discussed holding the AGM virtually. The public order allowing non-profits to host virtual AGMs and extend their filing deadlines lapsed August 1. Current

SSCA bylaws do not allow us to host our AGM virtually, Cydney proposes that the SSCA amend the bylaws to allow the Board, when necessary, to do so. The Board is required to provide 21 days notice of the proposed change, noting who has made, and seconded the motion. An in-person meeting will have to be held to vote on the amendment. The special resolution will be the only topic that can be discussed at the meeting, additional topics cannot be discussed. Michael Smith has provided Cydney with a quote for hosting a virtual AGM. Cydney will disseminate to the Board, including the proposed bylaw changes. The Board will vote on the written proposal after Cydney has shared it with the Board. If the proposal passes, the CA will need to set a meeting date and notify community residents. Cydney will follow up with other CAs to see what they are doing. It was noted that many corporations are making changes to their bylaws to accommodate virtual AGMs.

b. Nominations Committee

Jennifer

Jenn will be heading up the nomination committee. Darren, Karen K., Karen B., Kay, June, Murray, and Darcie are all up for nomination in 2021. Jenn asked that everyone please let her know if they are willing to stand for re-election. Jeremy Gukert has volunteered to work with Jennifer on the nomination committee.

8. Financial Reports

Scott

a. September 2020 internal F/S

Scott and Deb are continuing to work on the 2020-21 budget for the CA, and will present it at the November Board meeting. Capital funds are sitting at approx. \$137000, and unencumbered cash is approx. \$105,000. There is a student at the preschool, whose parents are struggling to pay for their tuition. The child has autism and needs an aide. Preschool is vital to help this child prepare for school, improving long-term learning outcomes. Deb and Scott have proposed that the SSCA pay for his tuition as we have the funds to do so.

There was a short discussion regarding the precedent, there is a need to have a policy/procedure in place to allow for a consistent response. The total cost for the full pre-school year, for the one child, would be \$2000. Deb will look into whether or not casino funds could be used for the tuition.

Scott moved that the SSCA cover the tuition of one preschool student requiring financial assistance, Kay seconded. Motion carried.

Scott moved to approve the Sept. 2020 F/S as presented, Monique seconded. Motion carried.



Business Arising from September meeting

9. Off-leash in BGSS Update

Jérémie

Jérémie followed up with Guy Beavers regarding whether or not the City would run any engagement on this issue if the CA requested it, and what the format would be. Any engagement would be completely online. Guy indicated that there currently isn't a plan by the City to conduct any community engagement, and that the volume of 311 calls does not currently justify the engagement process. Jérémie asked Guy if Parks would consider a partial change in the off-leash area, but was told that it would require the same amount of engagement as doing the full park. There was discussion as to whether or not the CA could do some messaging within the community, however, the CA does not have any power of enforcement. There were concerns that the office staff would bear the brunt of the feedback, rather than 311. Signage was posted in the BGSS by dog owners encouraging people to call 311 or email Guy directly in support of the off-leash area, and the volume of emails crashed Guy's email. The BGSS continues to get requests for bookings, such as weddings, that are not a match for an off-leash area. It is expected that as how the park is used, there will be more negative interactions. Cydney will reach out to Ward Sutherland's office to meet with Ward, Ralph, Monique, and Jérémie to discuss.

10. Bike Lane Pilot Project Update

Jérémie

The office received three emails opposing the pilot project from community members. Their biggest concern is that this is not the time for the City to spend money, and that they don't believe SS requires bike lanes. Jérémie responded on behalf of the Board. The public engagement (online, stage 1) closed on Oct. 4. Jen Malzer's team from the City will release a report, summarizing the feedback received during Stage 1. There will then be further consultation with the City. Thank you to Jérémie for responding to the community members.

11. G-Suite Update

Darcie

In October there will be some changes as the Board transitions to the Google Suite. This transition will help us better communicate with community members and each other. The @silverspringscommunity emails have been set up, if it hasn't been used recently the password will need to be changed. Darcie walked the Board through accessing their Board G Suite Accounts. There will be a training session at the end of October. Darcie will email the Board throughout October with instructions for setting up various aspects of the G Suite accounts. The first email will be sent to the email addresses currently used, with the expectation that by the November meeting all Board members will be using their @silverspringscommunity.ca emails for Board business, not their personal emails. A Board Report template will be posted on the G-Site, for Board members to enter their monthly updates, instead of emailing them to Monique. Monique will ensure current agendas and minutes are posted, as well as archived minutes, and manage meeting invitations via Google Calendar. Darcie will add all members to the SSCA shared drive. Darcie booked a meeting on Oct. 27 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm at the CA to answer



questions. Please confirm with Darcie before the meeting if you are attending (accept the invitation).

New Business

12. Speed Limit Reduction

Jérémie

The City of Calgary Transportation Committee is recommending to the City Council that the speed limit on residential (non-collector roads) be reduced to 40km/ hr vs. 50km/ hr. There are a few roads in Silver Springs that would remain 50km/ hr, such as Silver Ridge Drive, Silver Dale Dr., and Silver Mead Rd. The CA could provide feedback as to which collector roads they would like to see lowered to 40km. Many of the collector roads are transit routes. It is unclear if communities will have the opportunity to provide feedback regarding specific roads within their neighbourhoods. Monique, Cydney and Jérémie will discuss, and reach out to Ward Sutherland's office for clarification on feedback opportunities.

13. All-Season Greenhouse

Kay

Everett Marwood approached the EGG about building an all-season greenhouse in either Silver Springs, or Scenic Acres. He will spearhead the project, and the EGG is asking that the Board support the formation of an ad hoc committee to complete a feasibility study. There would be no financial or personnel requirements from the SSCA. Several community members are interested in joining the ad hoc committee. Everett was involved with building the geodome in Capitol Hill and in building an all-season geodome in Montana and Colorado. The City will not move forward with the project, including exploring possible sites, without the support of the SSCA. It was noted that supporting the feasibility study does not guarantee that the CA will ultimately choose to support the project. Upon completion of the study, the ad hoc committee will make a final presentation to the Board, and request support to move forward with the project. One of the managers of the Capitol Hill geodome has offered to meet with the committee to discuss costs, processes, etc.. Kay moved that the SSCA Board support the formation of an ad hoc committee to study the feasibility of building an all-season geodome in Silver Springs, June seconded. Motion carried. Please contact Kay if interested in joining the committee.

14. Next Board Meeting

Cydney

- a. Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 7:30pm

15. Adjourn

Murray adjourned the meeting at 9:17pm.