



**Silver Springs Community Association
Board Meeting
Wednesday June 6, 2018 7:30 pm**

Minutes

Board Attendees: Jeremy Gukert, Cydney Elofson, Jeff Van Wyk, Scott Chomistek, Kay Wilford, Jennifer Dotchin, Trish Wiegele, Monique Tambay-Roest, Stephanie Reid, Murray Scotton, Darren Bourget,

Absent: Marilyn Turner

Office Attendees: Sherry Gavlin, Rita McMillan

Guests: Jack Birkett

Meeting Notes by: Jennifer Dotchin, Secretary

- 1) Remarks from the Chair
President Jeff Van Wyk called the June 2018 Silver Springs Community Association (SSCA) board meeting to order at 7:32PM.
- 2) Introductions
- 3) Approval of meeting agenda
Moved by Cydney Elofson to approve the meeting agenda; Kay Wilford seconded. Motion Carried.
- 4) Approval of Minutes from previous SSCA Board Meeting (May, 2018)
Moved by Jennifer to approve the meeting minutes as amended; Murray Scotton seconded. Motion Carried.
- 5) NPC Report
No report.

6) Guests and other reports

Constable Jason Schneider, Calgary Police Services

- *Recommends that all residents to lock up vehicles, houses, and do not leave out items out overnight.*
- *The CPS will be doing a Silver Springs walk around with the schools.*
- *There will be more uniform policy during summer around the LRT with the bike unit, especially before stampede which will begin next week.*
- *Kay invited Constable Schneider to the Silver Springs Barbeque*

Jack Birkett, City of Calgary

Looking to have SSCA to work under the Calgary Outdoor Swimming Pool Association (COSPA). After a series of cuts COSPA was created to find an alternative delivery method for pools. It is comprised of community representatives who operate all of the outdoor swimming pools and interested parties. The city provides \$560,000 to run and manager the 7 pools with a lifecycle fund. COSPA then provides that to others. COSPA acts a forum to ensure that the pools are operated consistently, policies, and has assumed the City of Calgary role. COSPA is tasked with ensuring that the outdoor pools are up and running. They have been in charge of 7 pools for the last ten years. There is one part time executive director and she sets up the operations so that the season can run, and addresses customer complaints.

If we chose to join, the SSCA could pick someone to be a member of the board. They meet 6-10 times a year. They are a non-profit. COSPA pays for utilities, does building upkeep, flooring and maintenance, and filter tanks. At the start of the year, they do a supervisory training. COSPA will loan the community money for seed money (no interest). It hires benchmark to open all the pools and it is free. Every fall COSPA pays to winterize it too.

The community keeps the funding for the pool – all of it, SSCA and 'city time'. SSCA has a contingency fund. The fund transition you will want to keep in your own fund for seed money. Silver Springs is an anomaly. It is currently the only outdoor pool not run by COSPA.

The options are this:

- *Leave it as it is. No liaison, with no pool experience.*
- *Contracting out the pool to someone else.*
- *The City may give the pool to COSPA anyway*
- *The City could take the pool back and use as training centre.*

Pool update: June 16th opening day. Tomorrow there is a link with events, lessons, link will sent today to go live tomorrow. The link is to our website that has swim lessons, etc.

Lisa O'Sullivan – Preschool Committee

Brigetta is taking over the chair role. The Preschool Committee held its last meeting is next week. Redrafting policies, and will add a fundraiser as an executive role. Fundraising was successful this year, especially the flowers and sausage. The preschool will be using Trello project management software, there is discussion of all day preschool for four year olds.

We are short an entire class (4 year preschoolers). It would be a first come first served. It will be a lottery for the spots.

7) Office and Building Report

BBQ – June 23rd: We need volunteers. There is a bouncy council, climbing walls, big balls and play soccer, bike tune up guy, new sponsors, Silver springs pub, Murray, community fund, family braces, Silver Springs Automotive. There needs to be social media about the event, the volunteers, and the sponsors.

ACTION: *Trish will connect to guides to ask about volunteers.*

Building – SSCA has new tables and chairs. Our old chairs went to another community. There may be a new program – a barre class, but that will require the installation of bars. There was a short discussion of the safety of these for other sports.

8) Financial Reports

May 2018 Internal F/S. We are tracking well for May. Revenue is closer to budget. Our costs are managed well. The preschool is tracking ahead with only \$8,000 under budget (expected was \$18,000). The four-year-old preschool session is the changes with salary and tuition. There is \$7000 in fundraising. We had some cash from the ~\$66,000 from Casino, and ~\$16,000 from the CIP grant. At this point, we have ~\$60,000 of unencumbered cash. There was a loss due to pool closing.

Moved by Scott Chomistek: seconded by Jeremy Gukert. Motion Carried.

9) Councillor's Report

None.

10) Committee reports

*Executive Committee Report – Jeff/Cydney
None to report*

Programs

Seniors – Kay

Seniors week is this week. Yoga in the park June 19 6:30-7:30 – FREE. It will be at the tree swirl.

Development/approvals - Jeremy/Murray

Calgary Planning Commission approved the land use designation (will happen after summer); The habitat meeting was well attended. Dave from residents group facilitated the meeting. Some residents still believe that the density is far too much for silver springs. There were a number of City of Calgary employees there, and nothing was really resolved. Once there is land use designation, there will be an appeal.

There was also one permit for a garage deck.

Community Spaces

Bowmont – Monique

There will be closures of Bowmont Monique will be posting on social media

BGSS – Marilyn

There was a great celebration at the opening that was well attended by all community representatives and had prairie mountain fiddlers playing.

Edible Garden – Kay

The garden is looking fantastic. We had speaker session on roses, and well attended. Last session is June 20th trees, shrubs and flowers.

Affiliates

- i. **Norwest Soccer – Murray**
Nothing to report.
- ii. **West Valley Softball – Murray**
Nothing to report.
- iii. **Crowchild Twin Arenas – Jeff**
Nothing to report.
- iv. **Crowchild Hockey Association – Darren**
Nothing to report.
- v. **Guides/Scouts – Murray**
Done for the year

Community Initiatives

Seniors housing – Karen

There was supposed to be a meeting with the minister of seniors, but the meeting has been cancelled. Have asked to meet with interim seniors minister – no response yet. Alderman Sutherland confirmed that the land transfer has been done.

Action: *Murray will confirm that this land transfer has been completed.*

Safety/transportation – Monique

Just got the last transportation survey, will have thoughts and ideas by September.

Social and events – Trish

We are still developing the volunteers list. Trish will ask Dominika for a list of volunteers to community members.

Website and Social Media - Stephanie

Residents are very excited about the pool opening on social media. There will be an official new release for the pool opening.

11)New Business

None

12)Next Board Meeting: **Wednesday September 5, 2018 at 7:30pm**

13)Adjourn

Murray

14)Roundtable

