



**West Springs / Cougar Ridge Community Association**  
Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting  
Tuesday, January 12, 2021, 7:00 p.m.  
Virtual Meeting

**Executive in Attendance:** P. Ghazar, V. D’Souza, L. Murray, K. Gibson

**Regrets:** --

**Directors in Attendance:** S. Berman, L. Mitchell, M. Janzen, L. Nessel, C. Tattrie, D. Ho, K. Wheeler

**Regrets:** A. Rogers, K. Paw, E. Teasdale, T. Bogusky Ghazar

**Volunteers in Attendance:** C. Molnar

**Guests in Attendance:** M. Ladouceur (Ward 6 Office), K. Magill (NPC)

**Late Arrivals:** L. Mitchell 7:37pm, K. Paw 8:11pm

**Early Departures:** M. Ladouceur 7:30pm, K. Magill 7:45pm

**Call to Order and Quorum:**

Meeting called to Order at 7:06 p.m.

Directors in attendance constituted a quorum (10/15 of directors). P. Ghazar acted as Chair and P. Ghazar acted as minute taker of the meeting.

[*Quorum for Board Meeting is 4 Executive and/or Directors. Quorum for AGM and/or special meeting is 3 Executive and/or Directors, and 5 voting members other than directors (anyone holding an active regular membership is a voting member).*]

**Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION:** Motion to move the Ward 6 Community Report to after the approval of the previous month’s meeting minutes.

**Moved by:** C. Tattrie                      **Seconded by:** K. Gibson                      **Carried.**

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the December, 2020 monthly board meeting were reviewed by the Board.

**MOTION:** Approve the minutes from the December, 2020 monthly board meeting (*as circulated*)

**Moved by:** L. Nessel                      **Seconded by:** K. Gibson                      **Carried.**

**Welcome and Introduction**

- C. Molnar is joining us on the P&D Committee, with a target of taking on the PDC Director role at the 2021 AGM



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**Ward 6 Community Report: M. Ladouceur**

- Property tax assessments being mailed out on Jan 14
- Councillor Davison held a virtual town hall on FB live last month
  - Another will be held on Jan 21
- Notice of motion being heard regarding snow removal and ability to access additional funds

**Neighborhood Partnership Coordinator: K. Magill**

- Highly recommend that residents put in applications for adopt-a-rink submissions as early as September (only a limited number are approved)
- Applications and concerns can be phoned into 3-1-1
- The parks liaison officer has been speaking with the other service group using the soccer fields to request not painting the lines on the fields

**President's Report: P. Ghazar**

- WSCRCA Association insurance has been renewed with Northbridge General Insurance Corporation
  - They are the only carrier that met the terms and conditions necessary for our insurance program
  - Northbridge has also included the following benefits at no additional premium:
    - Legal Assist hotline and Trauma Assist
- Recycling event venue confirmed for Jun 6 but still awaiting the City of Calgary to confirm the dates as well (ETA Feb. 12)
  - We have a new recycling event coordinator joining us this year
  - Onboarding has begun
- The City of Calgary has completed our Organizational Health Assessment for Financial, Organizational and Facility ratings and WSCRCA continues to be classified as "Low Risk"
- We will be closing the Tangerine business account as it is no longer required
- We will be moving the monthly board meetings to the second Wednesday of every month at 7pm
  - Communications Director to make an update on social media, the newsletter and the website

**Treasurer's Report: L. Murray**

- Working on cleaning up the balance sheet
- Two of the Food Truck donations have been donated
- Insurance premium account has been paid
- FCC premium will be paid soon

**Vice President: K. Gibson**

- Santa virtual meeting event was well attended
  - Considering to run the event again for 2021
  - Possibly giving an option to do one online and one in person (depending on guidelines at the time)
  - Donated \$305 to Calgary Food Bank from the proceeds
- Reminder that the family ski night has been cancelled for 2021 due to COVID restrictions
  - Will be posting the volunteer opportunity to take on the coordination of the event

**Secretary: V. D'Souza**

- None at this time

**Planning and Development: L. Nessel**

- LOC2019-0144 West Springs Landing (S.E. corner of 85th St and 9th Ave): A second community outreach meeting (online) will be held for residents by Ziedler Architects on Jan. 13th, 2021 between 6.00 - 8.00 pm.
- Medicine Hill: Trinity Dev. Group has put in an application for changes to the Canada Olympic Park and Adjacent Lands Area Structure Plan. The Application package is in the GDrive. The City will hold a meeting for Paskapoo Slopes Joint Advisory Committee (PSJAC) members (of which WSCRCA is a member) in late January 2021.



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- Adopt-A-Rink: Councillor Davison's office to investigate two other temporary rinks noticed in WSCR: off 9th Ave @ Westridge Cres. and in CR in field by Waldorf School. The CR rink has received City approval. PC sent letter of support to City.
- Guidebook for Great Communities: The City has developed a new planning guidebook. The updated proposed Guidebook for Great Communities is now available at [www.calgary.ca/guidebook](http://www.calgary.ca/guidebook). This document represents the work put forward by staff and stakeholders since July 2020, in response to Council's direction to simplify the urban form categories and make additional edits. The Guidebook will be presented to City Council at a Public Hearing on March 22. Several Q&A sessions will be held for the public beforehand.
- CH/PH Community Association is working on building a community gathering hub on the west side of Coach Hill / east side of West Springs
  - Looking for input from WS/CR residents
  - Will send out an email blast to the membership to give them an opportunity to complete the survey
- Starting to plan for the 2021 Dog Pawty event in the fall
  - Starting to look at venue options
  - Ability to offer the event and any restrictions due to COVID protocols will be monitored closely

**MOTION:** Request the City of Calgary to pursue an investigation into an off leash dog park within the West Springs / Cougar Ridge boundaries

**Moved by:** P. Ghazar      **Seconded by:** M. Janzen      **Carried.**

**Communications Director: K. Wheeler**

- Facebook ads for soccer are running
- Putting together communications to support sponsorship efforts
- The association information in the newsletter has been freshened up

**Membership Director: E. Teasdale**

- No new updates at this time.

**Sponsorship Director: L. Mitchell**

- Met with VP and Communications to discuss sponsorship opportunities and continuing to look at how to add value for the sponsors
- Also putting together a letter for current sponsors to gauge interest in sponsoring for 2021
- Putting out a call for new sponsors

**Soccer Program: C. Tattie, S. Berman**

- 147 kids registered since going live on December 8<sup>th</sup>
- Communications continuing in the community
- Ready to order the new soccer nets
  - Need to free up some storage space
  - Will look to dispose of the older soccer nets versus giving them away/selling them
- Looking to set up a partnership with KidSport
  - The program provides financial assistance to families that qualify.

**Programs Director: M. Janzen**

- Continuing to work on new programming structure and guidelines.

**Skating Director: K. Paw**



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- Contacted WinSport but there is still uncertainty on capacity
- Tentatively have times booked but have not signed a contract
  - Waiting until the information can be finalized with WinSport
  - We might need to postpone it until March/April

**Additional and/or New Business**

- No additional business

**Meeting Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Adjourn meeting at 9:15 p.m.

**Moved by:** K. Gibson      **Seconded by:** S. Berman      **Carried.**

**Next Meeting:**

**Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., Virtual Meeting**

Signed by:

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_