



West Springs Cougar Ridge Community Association
 Minutes of Annual General Meeting
 Tuesday, June 9, 2020, 7:30 p.m.
 Virtual Meeting hosted by Zoom

In Attendance

Executive: *P. Ghazar, K. Gibson, S. Roznicki, L. Nessel*
Regrets:

Directors: *C. Tattrie, A. Rogers, L. Mitchell, E. Teasdale, K. Paw, S. Berman,*
Regrets: *S. Peake, C. Cave, R. Duckworth, T. Bogusky-Ghazar, L. Lehman*

Guests: *K. Magill, City of Calgary, J. Davison, Ward 6 Councillor, D. Nicolaides, Calgary Bow MLA*

Early Departures: --

Call to Order

Meeting called to Order by A. Stewart at 7:40 p.m.

Welcome and introduction of board members and distinguished guests.

Directors and voting members in attendance constituted a quorum with a minimum 3 Directors and 5 Voting members. Three (3) proxies were received in advance. A total of 34 participants were present during the opening of the meeting.

The Secretary confirmed that proper notice was sent compliant with the bylaws.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Approve the meeting agenda as amended.

Moved by: P. Ghazar **Seconded by:** K. Gibson **Carried.**

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the June 2019 Annual General Meeting were reviewed by the board of directors and members.

MOTION: Approve the minutes from the June 2019 Annual General Meeting as circulated.

Moved by: A. Rogers **Seconded by:** P. Ghazar **Carried.**



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President's Report: P. Ghazar

I would like to recognize our board and volunteers who are working hard to find ways to provide back and support our local community. As a board, we have adapted our meetings by meeting over video conferencing and have continued to stay in touch with our community over newsletters, emails and social media. We closely monitor government updates on the situation and work to stay as informed as possible to plan for what we can offer the community once the pandemic subsides. We've also been working with business sponsors in our community to find more ways to support them during this pandemic. We have also put together a subcommittee to provide a one time donation to several groups in the community who support those most affected by this pandemic.

Over the past year we have also introduced many changes in some of the ways in which we work:

- We are leveraging more online productivity tools such as google drive and Cisco WebEx video conferencing
- We have transitioned to using Signup.com to make it easier for volunteers to sign up for opportunities
- We have transitioned to a new memberships and event registration system using Member365, making it easier for members to register for events and access their membership profiles
- We have also introduced a new accounting program which provides us with deeper insights into our financial position on an event by event basis

Other updates and improvements include:

- Website layout changes to help members with better navigation of our website
- There has been lots of new content introduced to the newsletter, including profile write ups on our volunteers and bringing in student writers
- We are looking at more ways to help local businesses in our community increase business by advertising to the local community
- We also continue to be actively involved in a number of planning and development activities throughout our community with our tremendous planning and development committee
- We are also looking at improving our event offerings like soccer, as well as introduced 3 new events last year which have been extremely well received, including the Dog Pawty event, Summer Power Skating and Meet Santa in the Garden event

MOTION: Accept the President's report as presented.

Moved by: C. Tattrie **Seconded by:** S. Berman **Carried.**

Special Guests

Distinguished guests Councillor Jeff Davison and Minister Demetrios Nicolaidis provided an update and answered questions.



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Treasurer's Report: S. Roznicki

Attached 2019-2020 Financial Statements reviewed during meeting

MOTION: Accept the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2020 and the Treasurer's Report as presented.

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

The Chair noted that the bylaws require the WSCRCA to have an annual audit completed by a qualified accountant or by Voting Members. It is the practice of the Board to appoint two members that meet all requirements outlined in the bylaws.

MOTION: To allow the board to appoint two regular members of the association to review the 2020-2021 Annual Financial Statements as per Bylaw 7.2.4 "The books, accounts and records of the Association shall be audited annually by a duly qualified accountant or by two Voting Members elected for that purpose at the Annual General Meeting, provided there is no requirement that such a Voting Member be a duly qualified accountant. The Board will determine any remuneration for such services in the discretion of the Board acting reasonably. However, any such auditor or Voting Member may not be:

- a) a Director;
- b) a Legally Related Person to a Director; or
- c) any person who is a business partner or employee of a Director.

Moved by: U. Ojimadu **Seconded by:** E. Teasdale **Carried.**

Planning and Development Year-In-Review: L. Nessel

- General overview of Planning and Development in 2019 – 2020 term, including:
 - Bow Trail Widening
 - West Calgary Ring Road Build
 - Paving of Old Banff Coach Road between 85th st. And 77th ave. Sw.
 - Land Development for:
 - West District
 - West Springs Landing
 - 77th street panhandle
 - Ripley land
 - Brawn land
 - Medicine Hills

Election of Directors and Officers

The Chair noted that three (3) Executive positions were eligible for nomination: Treasurer, Vice President and Secretary. The Treasurer and President are both two (2) year terms and the Secretary has one (1) year remaining in the term.

A call was made for nominations for Treasurer.



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P. Ghazar nominated K. Heinrichs and L. Early. Both accepted the nomination.

Two more calls for nominations were made. No further nominations were received. Voting members were invited to send a message within the chat function directly to the Chair naming their choice for Treasurer. All votes and proxies were tallied by the Chair and L. Early was successful.

Bank signing authority retracted from S. Roznicki & L. Nessel. Granted to Lavender Early & Virginia D'Souza. Continuation for P. Ghazar & K. Gibson.

The remaining positions were considered as an election by slate. Individuals listed for nomination:

Executive

Board Vice President: Karla Gibson (2 year term)

Board Secretary: Virginia D'Souza (1 year term)

Directors (each 1 year term)

Planning & Development Director: Linda Nessel

Programming Director: Michelle Janzen

Communications Director: Kristina Wheeler

Volunteer Director: Aidan Inglis

Sponsorship Director: Lara Mitchell

Membership and Casino Night Director: Eileen Teasdale

Soccer Director: Chris Tattrie

Soccer Support: Steve Berman

Skating Director: Kimberly Paw

Director at Large: Tanya Bogusky-Ghazar

The Chair called for further nominations.

K. Heinrichs was nominated by L. Nessel. The nomination was respectfully declined.

M. Janzen was nominated by herself.

K. Wheeler was nominated by K. Gibson.

D. Ho was nominated by L. Nessel.

The Chair called for further nominations. None were received.

MOTION: To elect the Vice President, Secretary and Directors as nominated to the WSCRA Board.

Moved by: C. Cave **Seconded by:** L. Nessel **Carried.**



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Meeting Adjournment

MOTION: Adjourn meeting at 9:27 p.m

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

Signed by:

Chair: _____ Date: _____

Secretary: _____ Date: _____