

**ELBOW PARK RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION**  
**800 - 34 Ave. S.W.**  
**Calgary, Alberta**  
**T2T 2A3**

**November 21, 2006**

**1. Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m.**

The regular monthly community meeting was called to order by meeting chair Deborah Ambrose.

**2. Agenda Approval**

The agenda was approved by Barbara Mathies. Seconded by Jane Virtue.

**3. Donation Opportunity-Doug Hickey**

- Gail Bell received a call from Jim Peplinski indicating he had someone who was interested in making a substantial donation to be used for sports in Elbow Park.
- Doug doesn't have a lot of details at the moment but will be meeting with Jim P. soon and then can bring more information to the board.
- There was talk about more permanent structures with possible cooling underground to make the ice better and last longer.
- There was discussion around whether we would want a permanent structure in the park given the shortage of green space plus the soccer programs that run there.
- It was suggested we could possibly combine this with the tennis court improvement so that the area could be used for hockey in the winter and tennis in the summer.
- Doug requested we send him a list of questions that he can take with him to the meeting.

**4. Tennis Court Repairs**

- There were 82 responses to the survey with 57.3% in favor of fixing the courts now and 28% in favor of leaving them until the trees die.
- There was an assessment done on the courts last week by City of Calgary Urban Forest and Tomko (see attached report).
- An asphalt surface is most damaging to the trees and the tree roots.
- The existing fence does not meet City specs so fence would look different and this was not included in the quotes.
- One suggestion was to re-surface the north court only and enlarge it to regulation size. The other side could be grassed over and possibly converted to a viewing area for parents.
- Final decisions will have to wait until Doug Hickey comes back from meeting with Jim Peplinski and we have more information on the donation and expectations that go along with this donation.
- The nets could be an issue with ball hockey so we may have to look at different nets.
- Should we approach the Elbow Park Tennis Club to see about taking over the north 2 clay courts and converting them?
- We may have to change our budget as any trees that are planted will have to be watered and we have no money in the budget for that.
- If we want to keep the courts closed for one more year because we feel they are unsafe the City would support that.
- If Elbow Park gave up the lease on the park what would happen? The City would probably close the tennis courts and may take them out.
- The Capital Conservation Grant (CCG) may not be available for that much longer so Nancy Larson feels we need to take action sooner rather than later.

- Barbara Mathies is considering writing a letter to the aldermen on this issue outlining the burden to the community.
- There is a March deadline for the CCG so we must make a decision by then. Do we want to go ahead with the second set of hockey boards or the repair of the tennis courts?
- Nancy L. feels we need to have a complete grounds plan instead of attempting to do hodge podge repairs.
- It is felt we need more expertise to help with this "Park Plan". Can the City help us with this? Stacey (CRC rep) will look into this and Barbara Mathies will talk to our alderman (Madeleine).

#### 5. **Gazette Advertising Rates**

- See attached report for details.

Motion: Jane Virtue moved to maintain current rates.

Seconded: Barb Mathies

Carried

#### 6. **Clubhouse Rental Rates**

- Clubhouse rental dollars are going down.
- If we pursue hiring a handyman to look after the building we may have to increase the rates

Motion: Barb Mathies moved that the rates remain the same.

Seconded: Jaimie Noakes

Carried

#### 7. **Rental Rates for Film Production Users**

- Jane Virtue is working on several issues around this.
- Issue tabled until next meeting.

#### 8. **2007 Budget**

- See attached for details.
- Add \$1000 to Clubhouse Grounds Maintenance for tree watering.
- Correct the GST numbers.
- Make changes to bollard/plaque installation costs.
- Make changes to Outdoor Ice Rinks costs.

Motion: Barb Mathies moved the budget be accepted with the above changes to be sent in a subsequent email from Deborah Ambrose.

Seconded: Jane Virtue

Carried

#### 9. **Resolution for Bank Signing Authority**

Motion: Jaimie Noakes moved to pass the bank resolution as written by Deborah Ambrose

Seconded: Jane Virtue

Carried

#### 10. **Executive Responsibilities**

- Barb Mathies suggested we add this to our board director binders.

Meeting adjourned 10:13 p.m.

Next meeting: Jan. 16/07 at 7:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse