

ELBOW PARK RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION
800 - 34 Ave. S.W.
Calgary, Alberta
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September 18, 2007

1. Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

The regular monthly community meeting was called to order by past president Barbara Mathies.

2. Motion to accept June 2007 minutes

- Motion to accept the minutes was made by Nancy Larson and seconded by Deborah Ambrose.

3. AGM

- The EPRA continues to look for ways of recruiting new members.
- Barb Mathies will draft an email outlining board members that are needed. She would like each current board member to send this email to people they know in an attempt to attract some new members.
- Adrian Ruiters is retiring from his position as Gazette editor as he is moving. Thank you to Adrian for the excellent job he has done with the Gazette.

4. Lifecycle – Joanne Porter (CRC Rep)

- The City will do a lifecycle report on everything that is included in our lease (ie. clubhouse, tennis courts).
- An engineering team will come and look at the facilities and provide a draft report. They will also do a presentation for the EPRA board.
- This process has an early October start.
- They need an EPRA contact so they can have access to the buildings, etc.
- There will be no cost to the EPRA for this service. The City will do grant applications for the costs of the engineers and reports.

Motion: Dave Mackie moved we participate in the City's lifecycle assessment program.
Seconded: Jaimie Noakes.
Carried.

5. Future Plans for Grounds (hockey/tennis/baseball diamonds/clubhouse)

- There has been some communications with the Hockey 75 group but they wanted a quick response. We couldn't give them this so they have gone forward with a project in another community. This helps us move forward with our grounds plan
- Brett Waldroff from the Glencoe Club was in attendance. He indicated the Glencoe wants to promote the tennis centre to members and the public. They are getting more participation from their members which is good but there is room for more participants.
- The Glencoe has indicated they would be interested in helping us refurbish the hard courts. If they got involved, the pros would like the courts to be full size and they would like them to be integrated into the other courts.

- It was pointed out that to upgrade the courts to the standard of the other courts would be quite expensive and would not allow ball hockey to be played. There are a group of university students from our community who are home for the summer and have a long standing tradition of getting together to play ball hockey.
- We asked Brett if the Glencoe would be interested in the construction management of the project to re-do the hard courts. He indicated they would be interested in being involved in the project but not just the construction management.
- Of the quotes we received from Tomko, the most attractive was the proposal to make 1 full length tennis court where the west court is. The court nearest the road would be left alone.
- We can apply for a grant to cover \$300,000 and also a matching grant from CFEP.
- Questions: Can we justify a court for tennis only? Would we then have to find somewhere else for ball hockey to be played? Could we make the east court for ball hockey and not tennis? The trees/roots are a problem with this court regardless of how it is used. If we repair the roots, they would ruin the surface again. The Calgary Tennis Club has raised their surface about 1 foot to get the surface above the roots. Do we want to go to the expense of changing the court to the proper size if the people using it don't care? Do we need to look at changes to the fence and to add noise reduction to accommodate the EPTC?
- If the Glencoe got involved in the repair of the hard courts, would there be availability for community members? The EPTC currently has a \$5 drop in fee, 5 time pass or they could buy a membership.
- Joanne Porter cautioned that the grant people will be looking for public access.
- There was some discussion around a master plan for grounds but it was pointed out that our park space is very small so there are not that many options. If we want to remain a multi-use area, things need to stay essentially the same.

Motion: Deborah Ambrose moved we take the existing community courts and make them into one full size tennis court with a multi-use surface to accommodate tennis and ball hockey. Redevelopment may include noise abatement, changes to the fencing and redevelopment of adjacent area (currently the east court). The above is subject to financing which will include a grant application for a City of Calgary Capital Conservation Grant (CCG).
Seconded by Dave Mackie.
Carried.

6. Traffic

- There are still some outstanding issues which include the bollards that haven't been replaced and the spawling concrete on Elbow Drive that hasn't been repaired.
- We also need new traffic count readings to properly analyze the success of our traffic projects.

7. Celebrate

- Approximately \$27,000 to date has been raised for clubhouse improvements.

8. Treasurer's Report

- The casino was on September 14 and 15.
- The 2nd set of hockey boards is coming in October so we will need to write a cheque for that.
- There is \$60,000 in grant money for the 38/39 Ave. park which needs to be used by this summer. We may need to send this money back as costs have risen so dramatically.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m.

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

