McCauley Community League

Annual General Meeting June 14, 2022

Igloo Room, Commonwealth Rec Center

Board Present: Alice Kos, Regan Gee, Rickard Enstroem, Todd Jane, Grace Kuipers, Dave Williamson, Kevin Jones.

Members Present: Janet Delorme, Preston Cardinal, Brandon Delorme, Jessica Peverett, Dustin Bajer, John Kolkman, John Gee, Rosalie Gelderman, Kathryn Rambow, Yasushi Ohki, Tina Cardinal, Allison Sivak, Dan Glugosh, Marsha Ivretig, Larry Linklater, Mark Davis.

Friends of McCauley and Guests: Mike Johnson, Heather O'Hearn, Greg Witt, Janis Irwin, Anne Stevenson, Hon Leong, Howard Lawrence, Johnathon Lawrence, Margaret Smith.

- 1. Welcome, and meeting called to order at 6:45pm.
 - Territorial Acknowledgement of the Treaty 6 First Nations Land.
 - Introductions of present board members and guests: Heather O'Hearn-City of Edm, Greg Witt-Supervisor Commonwealth Rec Center, Howard Lawrence-Abundant Communities, Margaret Smith-McCauley Revitalization, Hon Leong-Chair Chinatown Transformation Collaborative, Mark Davis-REACH, Yasushi Ohki-Green Violin, Janis Irwin-MLA Edm Highlands-Norwood, and Anne Stevenson-City Councillor, Ward O-day'min.
- 2. Agenda approval: Motion to approve the June 14,2022 McCauley Community League Annual General Meeting Agenda. Todd Jane, Allison Sivak, Carried.
- 3. 2021 Minutes: Motion to approve the McCauley Community League, June 16, 2021, Annual General Meeting Minutes. Dave Williamson, Kevin Jones, Carried.
- 4. Guest Addresses:
 - Greg Witt-Supervisor Commonwealth Rec Center. Greg gave us a brief overview of the programs he supervises at the Commonwealth Rec Center, Clarke Field, as well as the East Glen Leisure Centre. Members have access to both facilities for the Community Swim program. Concerns were raised with regards to loud music from Clarke Field during practices, the clean-up of crumb rubber on the grass berm, next to the parking lot, and some noted closures of the workout facilities when Elks were training. Greg said he will investigate these concerns. There were also suggestions for Greg, that included E-bike, Electric car and motorcycle parking, occasional access to Clarke Field for our McCauley Soccer program, and helping us get one or two football players to come to one of our family events. Although the Elks football club is not Greg's jurisdiction, he will put us in touch with Victor, who can help us. Our community should be able to book Clarke or the football field, so long is it isn't already being used.
 - Janis Irwin-MLA Edmonton Highlands-Norwood. Janis expressed that it was important for her to be at our AGM to connect with our community.
 - Anne Stevenson-City of Edmonton Councillor, Ward O-day'min. Anne also came to connect with our community members and shared her concern for homeless camps and the disruption in the neighbourhood.

• Hon Leong- Chair of Chinatown Transformation Collaborative. Hon spoke to us on many levels, firstly acknowledging the Treaty 6 land that we live on and how this land and area has been so sadly neglected. Hon's connections to the area vary from family ties to Chinatown businesses. He has been active in trying to revitalize Chinatown, trying to make it a positive, inclusive and safe place for residents, businesses and visitors. Hon spoke of the homeless and drug crisis, the concentration of services, and the dysfunction and crime that has resulted in businesses and families leaving the area because they feel it unsafe. Hon spoke passionately about the need for us all to get involved: from leaders at the city and provincial levels, to all of us residents, speaking up and advocating for inclusiveness and respect for the cultural value of this neighbourhood.

5. Board Reports:

- Presidents Report: Alice Kos. Alice summed up a huge amount of work that was accomplished be the league in the past year: Everything from centralizing information on google docs, streamlining board communication on SLACK, accessing financial information using on-line QuickBooks, communicating with members regularly on email and social media, to all the programs and events including: Community League Day, Halloween and Family Day at the rink, Indoor and Outdoor Soccer, and the Winter Skating program. Alice thanked McCauley Revitalization for their contribution to many of these events and programs. Alice also spoke of our partnership with Safer McCauley, REACH, E4C and other stakeholders in McCauley and the importance of those relationships.
- Rink Pavilion Report: Rickard Enstroem. Rickard began by explaining our tri-partite agreement with the City of Edm and EFCL regarding the land where our rink and trailer sit, and the leagues agreement back in 2011 to replace the trailer with a permanent structure. He gave us a brief out-line of where we are with the Rink Pavilion plans. We have recently completed the first of 4 stages, the Strategy, which is ready to be submitted to the city for approval. The stages are 1) Strategy 2) Concept, which includes fundraising. 3)Design and 4) Build. Each of these stages requires lots of community engagement and consultation. The league will be advocating for members interested to get involved for the long term, to see the project to the end. Plan is to have project completed within the next 5 years.
- Financial Report: Regan Gee Financial statements were emailed to members prior to the AGM and posted on website. Some concerns regarding availability of funds, as the waiting time for working casinos is behind and amounts are less than what we've previously received. Motion to approve the McCauley Community League, 2021 Financial Statement, as prepared by Gill & Bird LLP Chartered Professional Accountants. John Kolkman, Rosalie Gelderman, Carried.
- 6. By-law Amendment: The McCauley Community League by-law Amendment notices were circulated via email to members prior to the AGM. Regan Gee moved that the McCauley Community League accept the by-law amendments regarding Article 6 and Article 10 as follows: Article 6.3 A show of hands will be adequate for voting on all matters, except for electing the Board of Directors, and or controversial matters in which a secret ballot, or other voting tool which protects anonymity of the voter can be requested. Article 10.3 Members are elected to the Board of Directors by an anonymous majority vote in favour of each individual

nominee. Positions are selected at the first Board of Directors Meeting following the election. Article 10.4 If there are more nominees receiving a favourable majority than eligible positions, nominees with the highest number of favourable votes will form the Board of Directors. In case of a tie, a second vote will be held for members to choose their preferred nominee(s). Because of the addition of Article 10.4, the number sequence for the following Articles will change from 10.4 to 10.5, 10.5 to 10.6, 10.6 to 10.7, 10.7 to 10.8. Dan Glugosh seconded the motion and there were none opposed.

- 7. Board Elections: The MCL board requested a private vote prior to the AGM and a ballot was provided with new nominee as well as returning board members who completed a 2-year term and were up for renewal. Nominations from the floor were open and there were no new additions to the list. The list of names on the ballot were: Alice Kos (returning new term), Kevin Jones (returning new term) Grace Kuipers (returning new term) Dave Williamson (returning new term) Sarah Pearson (first term) Corrine Dumas (first term) John Gee (first term). Todd Jane, Regan Gee and Rickard Enstroem were all board members in the middle of their first term and did not require a vote. Heather O'Hearn counted the private ballots, and all nominations were accepted unanimously. During the count, the membership heard from Green Violin consultant Yasushi Ohki, regarding the Neighbourhood Renewal project.
- **8.** Meeting Adjourned: Alice thanked everyone for coming and the meeting adjourned shortly after 9:00 pm.