Mount Royal Community Association

Meeting Minutes

May 2, 2011

Attendees: Debra Law, Darlene Bruce, John Merriman (City of Calgary), Candice Selby, Laura Brown, Jane Keyser, Tina Dargan, Krista de Silva, Rosanne Woods, Megan McCarthy, Gwen Yaholnitsky, Susan Petersen

Meeting called to order: 7:07pm

1. Minutes from Apr 18, 2011

   Amendments – BBQ cost is estimated at $5000-6000

   Secretary will circulate amended minutes to Board for comments. After all comments, final copy to Jane to be posted on the website.

   **Motion to Approve March minutes as amended by Darlene, second by Krista. Motion Carried.**

2. Treasurer's Report

   Current balances:

   Chequing $81,078.53 (outstanding accounts payable/receivable not included)

   Casino $69,237.33 (most current casino funds not yet deposited)

   No update from AGLC regarding application for casino funds extension.

3. Directors Reports

   Officers should continue to work on job descriptions and succession planning. There are still binders available if needed.

   Community Development

   No new applications during this period.

   All deck options in place now; Darlene will email details for review and vote at next meeting.

   Summary of Deck Options:

   Option 1 – Peter Haley design includes architectural drawings and engineering stamp. Estimated cost of $5000 plus $1000 for engineering time for a total of $6000.

Option 2 – Steve Petrovich including structural drawings only plus stamps and permits. Estimated cost $1500 for drawings plus $2000 engineering time for total of $3500.

Option 3 – Ken Tang including structural drawings for $0 plus $1000 for engineering stamp and inspection for a total cost of $1000.

John will get a third party opinion on the quotes and review what the quotes offer and provide for the intended cost.

Email from Darlene will include cost breakdowns and opinion from John's contact. Directors to review for discussion at next meeting.

4. Membership

Currently at 100 members with some asking for tennis keys. Mail out is being printed.

Last year there were 300 members but those trickled in over the year.

Krista and Debra attended the FCC conference

- Talked about how to engage the community
- Tracking hours of the directors to give members an idea of the amount of work done
- Need to bring people together
- Alderman John Mar said Mount Royal residents are split 50/50 on traffic calming
- Maybe we could establish Mount Royal Station as the "heart" of the community
- Could be tied into beautification ideas
- Discussion regarding pub nights, tennis lessons, summer camps?

5. Newsletter

Any submissions are accepted. Should we consider a 4th edition in Dec? Marmie Hess recently turned 95 which might make a great interview. BBQ incentive – coupon in newsletter for raffle at BBQ. Perhaps a colouring page for playground groups.

6. Events

BBQ is scheduled for June 18th from 5-9pm.

7. Facilities

A current facilities renter has asked if she could start an art program for teenage girls in the fall. Regular renters interested in whether they get a reduced rate in the newsletter. Anyone can have 3 lines free but no break on advertising costs except community service (ie library).

8. Security

There will be a District 2 Community information fair on May 14th held by the Calgary Police Service at Ambrose College.

9. New Business

FCC Meeting – 82 communities represented, workshop booklet filled with great seminars, website for resources www.calgarycommunities.com very helpful.

10. Old Business

Insurance/Liability

Toole Peet is our current insurance provider.

John suggested we are covered for facilities or amenities. As well any program participants are generally covered. Contracted services (lawn mowing, cleaning, etc) will require their own insurance. Anyone working around or with children needs a police security check and always have 2 adults present. Perhaps cleaning services and lawn mowing could be volunteers (as they are residents) and they receive an honorarium. No clear answer.

Meeting adjourned by Debra at 8:58 pm.

Next Meeting –June 6, 2011 at 7pm.