

Mount Royal Community Association

Meeting Minutes

Feb 6, 2012

Attendees: John Merriman (City of Calgary), Jane Keyser, Rosanne Woods, Laura Brown, Gwen Yaholnitsky, Krista de Silva, Geraldine Nolan, Mike Smith, Debra Hogarth, Val McFarland, Marlene Cameron, Sarah Hill, Tina Dargan, Kim Shore, Darlene Bruce, Megan McCarthy, Susan Hearn, Jeff (Nichol?)

Meeting called to order: 7:05pm

1. Minutes from Jan 9, 2012

Motion to Approve Jan minutes. All in favour. Motion Carried.

2. New Director Introduction

Jeff has stepped forward to help Krista with Traffic

3. Treasurer's Report

General Account: \$85,331.80

Casino Account: \$109,359.75

- Currently working on updating books to send to FCC

4. Directors Reports

Community Development

- Up to date on all applications
- Deck – city thought we were adding a roof to the deck, waiting on engineering drawings from Foothills

Lifecycle

- Some documentation required to finish the study; report from Darlene on the deck enhancement and financial statements
- No timeline pressure for completion but if a project is identified by March 1 2012 (next available application deadline) we could apply for funding to fix;

Safety

- 2012 century home banner celebration July 27 – Aug 6, 2012. All 100 year homes that wish to will be given a banner to hang for the celebration (contact Megan for info)
- Mission Crime and Safety meeting was attended by Megan
- Police presence is the best deterrent; alleys are the most danger place; don't leave recyclables out for long periods – it attracts vagrants; continue to report everything
- Blockwatch has been shut down – replaced by FCC program “Building Safe Communities”, safety, planning and environment are the focus areas
- There are Community self defense programs available to offer to residents

Newsletter:

- Date for submission for June newsletter is May 12, 2012
- January newsletter has been mailed; please provide feedback and comments
- Sarah was disappointed with the stock content – too generic. Request to send in anything as that will be better than stock
- 100 year old homes – email Sarah short paragraph and photo
- Request to allow professionals to submit a profile regarding their specialty; committee consensus is it poses no problem

Community Events

- Skating party is Feb 26 from 2-4 pm
- Sandwich boards will go up Feb 12, need volunteers for music, Harvey the Hound will attend from 3:00-3:45pm
- Wine and Cheese – April? Possibly Italian theme
- Could we look at some professional signage?

Membership

- Signs are up but they are too small
- Membership drive – 1250 addresses in spreadsheet plus condos
- Bring volunteer canvassers to special meeting from 6-7pm on Mar 5 for briefing
- Email Geraldine any names of volunteers by Feb 27

HMRB

- Will provide some graffiti articles for next newsletter
- Top dress of Wolfe park beds in early May
- Volunteers will be needed for gardening “bee” in May

Traffic

- Met with John Mar who agreed to look over binder
- Asked MRCA to prioritize what we need done
- City will NOT be spending any money on this
- Meeting will be arranged with sign and transportation people regarding narrowing at 8th street and Royal

New Business

- 2012 initiatives
- Signage – where? what kind? Maybe an opportunity to join forces with Earl Grey School
- Tennis court fence removal
- Playground upgrade

Old Business

- New lease agreement – going to committee soon then hopefully to Council in February
- John presented MRCA with a plaque from the City thanking the volunteers for their efforts

Meeting adjourned 8:49 pm.

Next Meeting –Feb 6, 2012 at 7pm.