



Westpark Residents Association AGM Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2014

Meeting Opened 7:15pm by Jim Bolokoski.

Introduction of the Board of Directors–

Each board member introduced themselves and their position in the committee:

- Jim Bolokoski: Vice President & Treasurer
- Chris Graham: Vice President & Landscaping committee
- Brian Hamm: Vice President & City of Calgary Committee
- Mike Cecconi: Vice President & Communication Committee
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Review 2013 AGM minutes

- The 2013 AGM minutes were reviewed, by Jim Bolokoski
- The minutes of the May 27th, 2013 minutes.
 - Correction to the 2013 minutes: The turnover of the Dundee pond area to the city of Calgary is slated for Aug of 2015, not 2014 as originally stated in the minutes from 2013.
- Motion to adopt the minutes.
 - moved by Mike Cecconi and seconded by Brian Hamm
 - the motion to adopt the minutes was carried.

Review of the WPRA financial statements:

- Jim Bolokoski reviewed the un-audited financial statements of the corporation for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2014.
 - J.R. asked/ commented if we are sure all residents are informed of the financial statements.
- Motion to accept financial statements
 - moved by John Wolf, second by J.R. Smith
 - vote was unanimous – motion carried

Appoint an Accountant for the ensuing year 2014:

- Marco Management Ltd. will be retained for the 2014 fiscal year.
- Moved by Chris Graham, second by John Wolf,
- Vote was unanimously –motion carried

Board of Directors Structure.

An open request to fill the vacant President Position was tabled.

There were no candidates volunteered.

- Motion was to continue the board as current with no President but the board members representing the community as a collaborative Vice Presidency.
- Motion was moved by Malcom Sykes, second by Tyler Theberge.
- Vote – Unanimous – motion carried.



That closed the formal part of the meeting.

- Moved by JR Smith, second by Kelly Hawkins
- Vote was unanimous –motioned carried

NEW ITEMS:

Update on Communication Committee - Mike Cecconi

- Community Web Page in development by Lisa Graham and ready for release subject to board review.
 - Kelly Hawkins offered to support the development of the web page with Lisa Graham.
- Potential of e-transfer of resident’s fees, which Jim B. committed to follow up on.
- Brian Hamm reported out on the City of Calgary progress update:
 - See attachment 1 dated May 28th, 2014, City of Calgary progress update May 2013- May 2014.
 - There was a discussion about expanding the WPRA to include West Land (South) and the Truman Development (North)of Westpark. No resolution, just ideas on the table of the pluses and minuses of expanding our residents association.
- Chris Graham reviewed the WPRA landscaping activities and projects from 2013-2014. Including Landscaping Contract with Foothills Landscaping, Traffic circle upgrade, entrance of 9th Ave., Dog bag dispensers. See attachment 2 entitled WPRA landscaping.

Attendees

Chris Graham	JR Smith	Shannon Cline
Jim Bolokowski	Danns Urban	Don Berno
Brian Hamm	John Wolfe	Marina Sizov
Mike Cecconi	Kelly Hawkins	Leslie Chalkley
Malcom Sykes	Paul Dever	Four (4) votes by proxy
Tyler Theberge	Peter Zannis	



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City of Calgary Progress Update- May 2013 to May 2014

We had a fairly productive year of correspondence with the city with many initiatives resolved and many more currently underway. Unfortunately getting the city to commit to projects and actually execute them is a very slow process and certain projects have not moved forward with the pace we would like. We continue to keep contacting the City in the hopes that it will lead to more timely resolutions. Of particular note we now have good relationships with a couple of key contacts at the City who are responsible for these projects.

Projects with Resolutions

Park Maintenance

- Chris Graham will provide a more thorough update of the changes and advancements that have been made and are expected this year.

Projects Nearing Resolution

Waterfall

- One of our primary goals last year was to bring the current state of the waterfall to some form of resolution. While this issue is still not resolved we are now much closer and hopeful for a full resolution this summer.
- We need to keep in mind that the waterfall and the ponds are both currently issues of contention between the developer (Dundee) and the City. Our residents association does not have an official position in those discussions so our ability to drive progress is limited to our persistence that they need to come to a resolution since we are the ones who are being impacted.
- Our most recent correspondence regarding the waterfall was earlier this week directly from the Parks Superintendent responsible and is summarized below:
 - At our request, the Parks superintendent and other personal from the City's risk department reviewed the waterfall in person last week and determined:
 - *"...there is a need to rework some of the area. The plan will involve planting some of the existing waterfall, removing, reshaping and resodding some areas. Relocating power for a fountain will also be considered as will maintaining proper drainage"*
 - While the superintendent has told us they have a draft plan prepared they are reluctant to share it with us until it is final. Based on our conversations our understanding is that

they will likely remove the waterfall pump and a few of the large rocks covering it and fill in the waterfall pool with trees/shrubs.

- The City holds approximately \$12,000 in trust from the developer to perform this work however they expect the total costs will be in excess of this amount and they are meeting with the capital funding group this week to secure the additional funding.
- While the outcome is not yet certain it appears that the risk department has finally elevated the priority of the project given its proximity to the playground and we are hopeful for a resolution this year.

Ongoing Projects

Leaking Storm Drainage Ponds

- Similar to the waterfall this is currently an issue between the Developer and the City. Given the size of the problem and the potential for a legal battle we have not been able to make significant inroads with the City regarding their discussions with the Developer. Unlike the waterfall the ponds are managed by a completely different department at the City so the contacts we have made in Parks are not able to provide very much insight into the ponds.

Potential Water Fountain

- Part of the Waterfall redevelopment plan is to provide utilities access for the potential installation of a floating water fountain in the main drainage pond. Our understanding is that the City has already considered this since the pond currently has no aeration which was supposed to come from the waterfall.
- The board plans to continue pursuing this option given that we feel it will add value to our neighborhood by increasing the appeal of the neighborhood and help to combat the pond algae that has built up in previous years.

Increased Signage at the 81st and 9ave Cross Walk

- Given the high traffic on 9ave this cross walk which is used by many children has become increasingly dangerous. We are encouraging residents to call 311 and make a complaint which will help add weight to our requests for increased signage and or road markings.

Replacement of dead trees that have been removed by the City



WPRA - Landscaping Committee,

Signed at 2014 contract with Foothills Landscaping.

Scope of work includes the following: (see March 12, 2014 documents (3))

Last year: 2013

Met with foothills landscaping and spent time understanding/outlining scope of duties.

Very cooperative, and appreciated the exercise.

Budgeted 12,600 for the following (actual cost closer to 8900.00)

- Re-mulched all the planting areas in the Westpark from 77st tennis courts , pond area and 81st Traffic Circle.
- Installed Doggie bag dispensers at 3 entrances to the pond area.
- Required city approval, with drawings and description.
 - 81st pond entrance (NW corner)
 - 9th Ave entrance (SE corner)
 - Westpark Court Entrance (NE corner)
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- **9th Ave -81st entrance (WESTPARK Sign)**
 - Completed a two-meter fire cut around the entire pond .
 - Cleaned out all the dead shrubs at the
 - Planted annuals to spruce it up for the remainder of the summer
- Planned enhancement of the 81st traffic circle and 9th ave entrance.

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Traffic Circle Pre work for the traffic circle completed in April

- Planting to begin week of 26
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City has removed several dead trees, with the intention of replacing

Entrance 9th Ave 81st

Will be planted with perennials, in May/June

Other

Looking at a fountain for the pond