

# **ST. ANDREWS HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**



**2504 13 Ave. N.W., Calgary, AB. T2N 1L8**

## **Annual General Meeting Monday 2016 June 20 Minutes**

Quorum was established with 42 members in good standing signed in against the April 2016 Community Association Membership list (sign-in sheets included in the Official Minute Binder for SAHCA) including the Board members noted below. In addition to members there were 2 guests: Brenda Annala, City Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator, and Carol Armes from the Ward 7 Councillor's Office. Three other residents also signed in who were not on the SAHCA Membership list.

### **Board Members:**

Present: Ken Zdunich (Treasurer), Lea Meadows (Secretary), Michael Fuchs (VP Facilities), Kevin Noakes (VP Sports), Julia Stadnyk (VP Residential Planning), Liz Murray (VP Non-residential Planning), Jacques Gendron (President)

The meeting was brought to order at 19:08.

### **Introductions:**

Jacques Gendron welcomed those in attendance, introduced the other board members, and thanked volunteers who have contributed to the community over the past year. He introduced and welcomed from the City of Calgary representing the office of Councillor D. Farrell, Carol Armes and Brenda Annala, Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator.

### **Board Member Reports**

Explanatory Note: Where the name of the person speaking has not been referenced, it is the Board Officer responsible for the report being presented.

#### **Treasurer Ken Zdunich**

In addition to the report/slides attached:

- The auditor complimented SAHCA for the second year in a row on the organised and complete books being provided for the audit.
- Ken corrected one of the slides being shown. The attached slides/reports show the correct figures which were explained at the meeting.

Question: Jeff Gruttz: Why is the audit cheaper than last year?

Answer: The final bill for the audit has just been received and has not been reflected in these reports. There will be an adjustment made with the auditor for next year's reports to correctly show the full amount owing and paid for this year's audit.

Motion: That the Treasurer's report is accepted.

Moved: Ken Zdunich

Seconded: Jacques Gendron

Passed with none opposed or abstaining.

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Motion: that the St Andrews Heights Community Association appoint an Auditor from the Federation of Calgary Communities for the fiscal year end March 31, 2017

Moved: Ken Zdunich

Seconded Michael Fuchs

Passed with none opposed or abstaining.

Finances: Today and Looking Ahead

In addition to the slides shown:

- Insurance costs have risen considerably due to bringing up to date the appropriate coverage for the community and its officers. Officers' liability is now \$10 million and General Liability for the community is also \$10 million.
- Community revenues do not match expenses. We are drawing down on our long-term savings and are not contributing to those funds. The fiscal year First Calgary balance at March 31/16 is accounted for by the funds we transferred from long term savings in June 2015. The community made no money in the fiscal year to build our long term savings.

Question: Jason Armstrong: What about business interruption insurance for the hall?

Answer: No we don't have it and we will look into it to see if the cost is worth the amount of money our hall brings in.

Question: Gitta Julien: Do we not get our insurance through the FCC?

Answer: Yes. We get a much better rate than we could trying to find insurance on our own.

Facilities Michael Fuchs

In addition to the report/slides attached:

- This is a 1950's building. There are items here that cannot be replaced as they were (e.g. light cover); modern equivalents are used.
- Safety is a focus when we are renovating and updating the facility.
- A major change this year was moving to the keyless entry system.
- The skate room will also be fitted with a keyless entry system and the door leading from that room into the hall reinforced to ensure security of the hall when the skate room is in use.
- The Life Cycle report on our facilities noted significant upgrades (\$80,000 estimate) needed. We will be seeking grants that will cover anywhere from half to all of the amount required.

Question: Allan Simon: Has the Board considered having a casino.

Answer: Jacques: We would have to seek community support for such a move.

Answer: Ken: One issue with casino funds is they must be spent on very specific activities within a limited time frame. We would not be able to spend the funds we would be allotted in the required time frame. We would have to go in with another community on a casino should the community want to pursue that.

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Question: Allan Simon: But we need \$80,000.

Answer: We will get grants to cover most if not all of what we need to spend for Life Cycle maintenance.

Motion: That the Facilities report is accepted.

Moved: Michael Fuchs

Seconded: Liz Murray

Passed with none opposed.

**Sports Kevin Noakes**

As per slides/report:

Motion: That the Sports Report is accepted.

Moved: Kevin Noakes

Seconded: Jacques Gendron

Passed with none opposed.

**Residential Planning – Julia Stadnyk**

In addition to the attached report/slides:

- The typical Bylaw relaxations being asked for are on height, massing or setbacks.
- Generally, by the time I speak with the surrounding neighbours they have already been contacted by the developer and efforts made to find something that addresses all concerned. However, in general, the larger the impact there is in the proposed development the less likely the neighbours have been consulted.
- Breezeways: there was one constructed which we did not speak to when our submission was made to The City. Since then we generally do not support them because of massing and privacy problems for the adjacent neighbours. We did support one based on the home's location (i.e. abutting a green space, no issues with the neighbours).

Comment: Al Rasmussen: Neighbours 3 or 4 lots away can be affected by the construction and its impact on their privacy.

Answer: I try to speak to the neighbours 3 on each side.

Question: Joelle MacDonald: What is massing?

Answer: I tend to think of it as, when you are looking at it as a neighbour all you see is "house;" a large house. With the breezeways you are seeing just a wall for the length of their property.

Question: Peter Stacey-Salmon: When we oppose do we have any influence with The City?

Answer: Developers then are trying to work with the neighbours. The City is interested in what we have to say and encourages compromises. I only have gone to the Subdivision Development Appeal Board (SDAB) once and we won.

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Answer: Liz Murray: When we have been opposed and gone to the SDAB we have won. We don't do it often and so we are taken seriously.

Question: Laura DiSanto: Do they ever permit greater lot coverage than what is in the Bylaw?

Answer: We oppose it.

Answer: Liz Murray: I don't believe The City has ever allowed it. It may look like it as there are some really big lots in our neighbourhood.

Comment: The City used to provide specifics on what Bylaw relaxations are being asked for. I have to ask for what specifically is being requested beyond the Bylaw requirements and am not always told. I then frame our response carefully to note that we are not in support of relaxations generally.

Motion: That the Residential Planning Report is accepted.

Moved: Julia Stadnyk

Seconded: Jacques Gendron

Passed with none opposed.

### **Non Residential Planning Liz Murray**

In addition to the attached report/slides:

- The Province is changing the Municipal Government Act and that will have an impact on residential development. I attended a workshop which was dominated by developers unhappy that many costs born by municipalities in the past are now going to be part of their costs. As a result, I'm not clear on what is changing. I will keep researching it and post the information on the website.
- [In showing maps] Liz provided clarification on the orientation of the map and what the various colours represented.

Question: Dave Russum: [regarding Foothills Medical Centre/Cancer Centre developments]: what is the parking now, what will it be during construction and after?

Answer: The current Lot 1 parkade across 29<sup>th</sup> Street at 13 Avenue has about 1,400 stalls. With the new 5-storey structure complete there will be about 2000 stalls in Lot 1.

Comment: Al Rasmuson: In the end there will be a little more parking than there is currently but not a lot.

Question: Joelle MacDonald: Are they staging this?

Answer: Staff are being displaced to accommodate visitors. There will be temporary staff parking over near the Children's Hospital and a shuttle running to get them to/from the hospital for work.

Question: Barbara Woods-Jones: Where is Ronald Macdonald House?

Answer: Liz Murray showed the location on the map displayed.

Question: [West Campus Trust development] There will be lights and a pedestrian crosswalk to the entrance of the new area across Shaganappi?

Answer: Yes. The section of Shaganappi Trail from Market Mall down to Parkdale Blvd has been downgraded to allow construction closer to the road and to have this a controlled intersection.

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Question: Peter Stacey-Salmon: [Stadium Shopping Centre/Western Securities plans] Can you tell us what we are looking at.

Answer: Liz Murray and Jacques Gendron described the map displayed.

Question Peter Stacey-Salmon: [ Stadium Shopping Centre/Western Securities plans] is there an exit from the development area directly onto 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Answer: No there is a traffic circle on Uxbridge Drive which provides entrance/exit and from there to 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Comments: many voices expressing concern about the traffic circle controlling all traffic at this point.

Answer: Urged residents to make their concerns known through various strategies available through The City.

Question: Nuria Harrison: [Crowchild Trail Corridor Study] question about University Drive.

Answer: There are three traffic circles proposed from the University down to north of what is currently our 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue access to University Drive. 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue access to University Drive is proposed to be closed. To leave SAH on the east side, one will have to drive north to a traffic circle to then go south on University Drive. To return to the neighbourhood there is proposed to be an exit ramp off Crowchild Trail to the right to go under it to a traffic circle to come back south to SAH. There are opportunities to provide your support or concern about these changes. See City of Calgary Website. Go to the planned session this Wednesday evening.

Comment: Gitta Julien: Currently University Drive is being used by commuters from the suburbs north/north west of us. When these changes are made we won't be competing with them for access to University Drive.

Comment: Liz Murray. The City is exploring whether or not to expand the bridge across the river on Crowchild train to 8 lanes from the current 6. But they want to know what the surrounding communities think. If you want to see that done, please make sure you register your views with The City. Go to this session on Wednesday. Contact them through the website link.

Question: Teresa Mills: What about pedestrians?

Answer: There is a pedestrian bridge [pointing to the map] and green spaces/corridors [pointing to the map] which indicate green space and pathways for pedestrians and cyclists.

Question: Peter Stacey-Salmon: What does this closure of 12<sup>th</sup> avenue and multiple traffic circles mean to the response time of emergency vehicles to our community?

Answer: traffic impact assessment has been done. But if you are concerned please tell The City. Go to the website. We are in conversation with The City about a special session with the relevant planning staff for our community. Are you interested? [general positive comments, gestures made.]

Question: Peter Stacey-Salmon: Do we need a motion to have The City asked to come?

Answer: No we are already in conversation about that. But if we set it up, you have to come out and speak.

Presentation on North Crosstown Bus Rapid Transit provided by Al Rasmuson: There will be bus stops on both sides of 16<sup>th</sup> avenue; on stadium side and west of the Cancer

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Centre. The bus will run from 36 St East to major employment centres around us ending at Brentwood LRT Station.

Comment: Liz Murray [regarding the intersection of 16 Avenue and 29 Street]: We have asked for The City to have a representative who can talk about this one as well as the Crowchild Trail study when they come out to meet with us.

Comment: [Rundle School] Al Rasmuson: It is expected that this will be rented until the owners decide what they want to do with the property; they are currently interested in a seniors' housing complex. There is a lot of interest to rent the property in the meantime.

Question: Ken Zdunich: Will there need to be a change in land designation if this isn't rented out as a school?

Comment: Joelle MacDonald: It was my understanding that this will always be a school.

Comment: Liz Murray: There are a variety of organisations that fall under the same category as a school. To clarify, what belongs to the school owners; everything west of the sidewalk on the west side of the school is municipal reserve. It is not private property and doesn't belong to the owners of the school building.

Motion: That the Non-residential Planning Report is accepted

Moved: Liz Murray

Seconded: Lea Meadows

Passed with none opposed.

**President's Report Jacques Gendron**

As per slide.

Motion: That the President's report be accepted.

Moved: Jacques Gendron

Seconded: Ken Zdunich

Passed with none opposed.

**Bylaw Amendments Jacques Gendron**

As per slides.

Amendment offered by Al Rasmuson and John Howarth: that the wording on 8 Executive Meetings b) be changed to read: The required quorum will be achieved by Executive members attending in person, attending by phone or, through a ~~technology similar to Skype~~ electronic communication such as video conferencing. Member votes cast over the phone or ~~via a technology such as Skype~~ through electronic communication such as video conferencing are deemed valid for the purposes of endorsing or opposing a motion brought forward at an Executive meeting.

Question: Judy Wark: confusion regarding the page numbering.

Answer: You are only seeing the clauses that are being offered as amendments or added, not all pages of the Bylaws.

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Motion: To accept the Bylaw amendments as amended.

Moved: Jacques Gendron

Seconded: Allan Simon

Passed with none opposed.

## **2015 AGM Minutes:**

Motion: that the minutes of the 2015 AGM be approved.

Moved: Jacques Gendron

Seconded Liz Murray

Passed with none opposed.

## **Other Reports**

**Newsletter David Cary**

As per slides in presentation.

Correction: Sylvia Siemens: the newsletter address is [newsletter@standrewsheights.ca](mailto:newsletter@standrewsheights.ca) not .com

Question: Bertine Greebe: Who are the carriers.

Answer: Sylvia Siemens and Gitta Julien provided carriers' names.

## **Hall Rental Judy Wark**

In addition to the slides:

Last month hall rentals were advertised in the community newsletter and we have had rentals from residents as a result.

Question: Jacques Gendron: How many of you have rented the hall at some point?

Answer: a number of hands were raised by attendees.

## **Membership Report Gwen Schaefer**

In addition to the attached report:

Question: Peter Stacey-Salmon: Why are revenues from membership down if there are more members?

Answer: It is possible that there are more revenues because some people offer donations.

Answer: Ken Zdunich: If you wish to review the membership receipts you can do so.

## **City Councillor Remarks Carol Armes on behalf of Druh Farrell**

Encouraged that SAH have a session with City staff regarding Crowchild Trail Study and the 16 avenue/29 Street intersection.

As there is a third member to the Councillor's office there is a representative from her office attending the South Shaganappi study group.

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Provided 3-1-1 call analysis and population statistics' reports for the community (attached)

Responding to Jacques Gendron's President's Report item that a number of Ward 7 Community Association Presidents are now meeting periodically on their own to discuss issues of common concern: The Councillor is conscious of not wanting to add to the already large burden on volunteers by convening regular President Council meetings; but will do so if there is an issue of particular concern. She will be calling a meeting in the fall regarding concerns about the size of single family dwellings. Gifts were presented on behalf of the Councillor to Julia Stadnyk and Sylvia Siemens in recognition of their service as volunteers as they stepping down.

Question: Peter Stacey-Salmon. Regarding the population figures, were the condos on 29<sup>th</sup> street included as they didn't exist in 1970?

Answer: If they are part of this community then they would be. However, I will look into the statistics and get back to you.

### **Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator Brenda Annala**

Brenda noted she works with a lot of community associations and SAH's volunteers are very hard working and work together well. This community is well served by its volunteer Board of directors and other resource volunteers.

### **Board Committee Elections/Appointments**

Nominations were called for all positions. This call was made three consecutive times. Julia Stadnyk is stepping down from her role as VP Residential. Adev Ahluwalia was nominated by Liz Murray to serve as the VP Residential. The following slate of officers was proposed for the 2016/2017 year.

Ken Zdunich – Treasurer

Lea Meadows – Secretary

Michael Fuchs - VP Facilities

Kevin Noakes - VP Sports

Adev Ahluwalia - VP Residential Planning

Liz Murray - VP Non-residential Planning

Jacques Gendron - President

The VP Seniors and VP Communications roles remain vacant.

Moved: That SAHCA accept this slate of officers.

Moved: Al Rasmuson

Seconded: Janice Blakely.

Passed with none opposed or abstaining.

### **Business from the Floor**

Brentwood Care Centre and Heavy Equipment using 29<sup>th</sup> street



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Laura Disanto: 29<sup>th</sup> street is not a heavy equipment road.

Answer: Al Rasmuson: Brentwood Care Centre and the South Shaganappi Major Construction Coordination Group (SSMCCG) have been advised and agree that 29<sup>th</sup> street is not to be used for heavy equipment. The one exception will be accessing the construction site for the parkade directly across from 13<sup>th</sup> avenue. In that case the vehicles will come from 16<sup>th</sup> avenue *not* from the south.

Comment: Jacques Gendron: We will have to continue to monitor this.

Comment: Liz Murray: There will be more information after June 30<sup>th</sup> meetings. Western Securities has committed to coming in Uxbridge Drive and will have a temporary right turn in from 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Motion to Adjourn: Jacques Gendron.

Passed

7. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 2128.

A reception followed.

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## **Attachments**

Attachments are included in the order in which they are referenced in the minutes.

1. Sign in Sheets (included in physical files only in SAH Minute book)
2. Treasurer Handouts at the meeting
3. Facilities
4. Sports
5. Residential Planning
6. Non-Residential Planning
7. Newsletter
8. Hall
9. Membership
10. PowerPoint Presentation

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## ST ANDREWS HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (Audited)

For the Year Ended March 31, 2016

	Operating fund	Building replacement fund	Totals 2016	Totals 2015
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Advertising	\$ 2,634	\$ -	\$ 2,634	\$ 2,251
Hall rental	24,583	-	24,583	23,609
Investment income	363	3,709	4,072	5,682
Membership	6,794	-	6,794	6,823
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	1,371
Soccer	3,427	-	3,427	1,563
Tennis	240	-	240	600
	<u>38,041</u>	<u>3,709</u>	<u>41,750</u>	<u>41,899</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Amortization expense	186	-	186	-
Audit	2,199	-	2,199	4,833
Bad debts	-	-	-	25
Building Repairs	1,306	-	1,306	9,652
Hall Maintenance	12,960	-	12,960	14,254
Insurance	3,865	-	3,865	2,531
Neighbourhood Events	551	-	551	958
Newsletter	2,894	-	2,894	2,862
Office	566	-	566	552
Rink Maintenance	1,582	-	1,582	465
Soccer	1,818	-	1,818	2,131
Tennis	985	-	985	1,093
Utilities	5,367	-	5,367	7,217
	<u>34,279</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,279</u>	<u>46,573</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUE (EXPENSES)</b>	<u>\$ 3,762</u>	<u>\$ 3,709</u>	<u>\$ 7,471</u>	<u>\$ (4,674)</u>

See Notes to the Financial Statements

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## ST. ANDREWS HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - CONSOLIDATED FUNDS (Audited)

For the Year Ended March 31, 2016

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<b>CASH GENERATED BY OR (USED IN):</b>		
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Excess of Revenue (Deficit)	\$ 7,471	\$ (4,674)
Charges not requiring cash outlay		
Amortization expense	186	-
Changes in non-cash operating working capital:		
Accounts Receivable	1,243	(1,438)
Prepaid Expenses	(1,020)	(329)
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	1,089	(951)
Deferred Revenue	(2,816)	696
	<u>6,153</u>	<u>(6,696)</u>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds from redemption / maturation of investments	168,050	144,759
Reinvestment of interest	(2,932)	(5,647)
Reclassification of cash equivalent	(47,758)	47,758
Purchase of investments	(163,977)	(144,759)
	<u>(46,617)</u>	<u>42,111</u>
<b>INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(40,464)</b>	<b>35,415</b>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>52,360</u>	<u>16,945</u>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 11,896</b>	<b>\$ 52,360</b>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS CONSISTS OF:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents - Operating fund	\$ 11,896	\$ 4,620
Cash and cash equivalents - Building replacement fund	-	47,740
	<u>\$ 11,896</u>	<u>\$ 52,360</u>

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## **VP Facilities Report**

2016 AGM

Michael Fuchs – VP Facilities

### **Role of VP Residential Development**

- Identify repairs and upgrades to the SAHCA Hall and facilities
- Key contact for Life Cycle Studies and other external Facility operations resources
- Develop and execute Facility Management Plans as approved by the officers
- Manage, supervise and/or personally carry out repairs and upgrades to the SAHCA Hall and facilities
- Secure, review and recommend quotes from contractors to the officers

### **FY Apr-01-31 – Mar-31-16 – Regular Maintenance**

- Hazmat Report
- Regular maintenance conducted as needed
- No extraordinary repairs or maintenance was required

### **Keyless Entry**

- Front Door System installed by outside electrical contractor, Jeremy Mortis and Michael Fuchs
- Improved Security through unique door access codes and elimination of tracking lost or unreturned keys

### **Looking Ahead**

- Life Cycle Study – review and incorporate recommendations into Facility Planning
- Known priorities
  - o Single pane window replacement
  - o Replace shingles
- No renovations anticipated
- Skate Room Access
  - o Keyless Entry install on Skate Room outer door
  - o Add security camera & upgrade inner door
  - o Anticipated Benefit: day use of the skate room for lacing up out of the cold, access to the washroom, eliminate portable toilet expense



## **VP Sports Report**

2016 AGM

Kevin Noakes – VP Sports

### **Role**

This is the sixth year completed as the St. Andrews Heights Community Association VP Sports and the seventh year as the Soccer Coordinator. Over the last year I have been assisting in maintaining three community sports activities: Recreational Soccer (November to June), Tennis (April to October) and Ice Rink Skating (November to March). Through these organized activities and facilities an opportunity is provided for children and parents, adults young and old who live in the neighborhood, to meet, talk, play, have fun, make new friends and get to know each other better.

### **Issues noted in the 2014-2015 AGM Report addressed for 2015-2016:**

- The sports equipment has now been moved from the storage room adjacent to the Skate Change Room inside the Community Hall to the new Sports Equipment Storage Shed.
- The proposal to upgrade the SAH Community Web site to accept soccer registration and fees payment was declined but is being reconsidered by the Board for next season as part of an ongoing upgrade to the SAH digital communications system recently initiated.
- The SAHCA Inter-Community Recreational League Soccer Team Program was merged with the University Heights Soccer Program for Inter-Community Recreational League Soccer Team play (U8 teams and older). Only the SAHCA Local Community Recreational (House league) Soccer Team Program remains for U4 and U6 age groups.
- There is now a website link on the SAH Sports, Soccer webpage to the 'On-line' Soccer registration and fee payment page of the University Heights Community web site, for U8 teams and older Inter-Community Recreational League Soccer Team Program. SAHCA members do not have to purchase a UHCA membership to register for UH Soccer.
- A survey of the tennis court users was responded to and as a consequence:
  - a. The tennis court has now had a 9 ft. wide wind screen wrap installed on the north and west ends of the fence;
  - b. The purchase of a tennis ball server for tennis court use was declined due to concerns over potential accidental injury liability issues to user and non-users;
  - c. The practice pad backboard ball stop netting at the fence, was not extended by 1.5 meters.

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- The proposal to install video surveillance camera system to monitor the tennis court was declined this year but is being reconsidered by the board for next year as part of an upgrade to the facilities Skate Change Room in preparation for winter access and use by skaters on a regulated basis.
- There was no vandalism noted for the tennis court fence or court surface this year that need to be repaired, as was the case last season.
- Community member, Heather Makowecki, volunteered to be the coordinator for the Young Ice Skaters Outdoor Lessons Program and restarted the skating lessons activities last season.

### Soccer:

Kevin Noakes coordinates the recreational soccer program;  
[Sports@Standrewsheights.ca](mailto:Sports@Standrewsheights.ca)

The Soccer Coordinator attends Inter-Community Recreational League Soccer Team organization and coordination meetings, that begin in November and continue either in person or by email until May, with other soccer community coordinators, to prepare for the season ahead, where changes to rules, play field requirements, team content, fees and scheduling get discussed and established for team play. St. Andrews Heights has continued to be a member of 2 Leagues. One that is organized for U8 to U12 Inter-Community team play and another that is organized for U12 to U18 Inter-Community team play. The Soccer Coordinator also provides the resources for and organizes the Community House League (U4 Starters and U6 age groups) soccer teams that play within the local community only.

- **This soccer season** soccer registration began on November 15th 2015, and continued until the season began in April 2016. Soccer registration was advertised for beginning in the November 2015 Community Newsletter until the February 2016 issue, as well as being noted on the Community Web site. There was no in-person registration or equipment exchange held this season. Registration and fee payment was made by the registrants at their convenience during the registration period.
- **This soccer season** 40 children registered. 34 players were able to play for SAH teams, (U4 & U6); 18 children for the U4 “Dino-Gators” Team and 16 for the U6 “Green Lightning” Team. 6 older aged players, (U8, U10, U12 and U14) were referred to other community teams.
- **This soccer season** about \$2000 in Soccer fees were collected this season. This pays for the program expenses of the play field rental, field maintenance paint and cones, coach training, team jerseys, team photos, player participation medallions, Soccerfest skills contest trophies and BBQ lunch. The SAHCA supports the annual Soccerfest and BBQ end of season wrap up celebration with a \$300 top up budget if needed.

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- SAH has not been able to form U8 to U18 age groups teams, for the previous 3 soccer seasons. This was noted as a concern at the 2015 SAHCA AGM. As a consequence, the St. Andrews Heights' Inter-Community Soccer Team Program was merged with the University Heights Soccer Team Program. Notice of this change to the SAHCA Sports Program was provided in the SAH Community Newsletter. Four SAH players registered for soccer play with University Heights soccer teams.
- The annual end of soccer season celebration Soccerfest and BBQ will be held at the Community Hall and outside field Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>; this year attended by about 50 people.
- **Next soccer season** (2017) SAH House Teams for the U8's will be organized for play on the same evening, time and play field as the U4 and U6 teams do currently; watch for soccer registration information in the fall newsletter.

### Tennis:

Gwen Schaefer coordinates the tennis court activities; [tennis@standrewsheights.ca](mailto:tennis@standrewsheights.ca)

The Tennis Coordinator coordinates the use of the tennis courts through membership registration by providing SAHCA members with the tennis court gate access code that is changed periodically and by providing notice to members of tennis court reservations for tennis lessons. Anyone interested in using the tennis courts to play may contact Gwen Schaefer. The Tennis Coordinator also organizes the tennis court volunteers to open the locked gate, put up the tennis nets, and turn on the power for the opening of the tennis season play (April) and then take them down and put them away, lock the gate and turn off the power at the end of the season (October-November).

- The tennis court is open to the public Monday to Friday from 9am – 3pm (including Holidays). The remaining times are for SAHCA members and their guests only. Tennis membership is free to St Andrews Heights residents who have purchased a community membership.
- Currently 31 St Andrews Heights members have registered access to the tennis courts.
- Tennis player volunteers put the tennis nets up and take them down and store them for the winter. The nets are currently in good condition.
- Wind screens were purchased and installed by Tomko Sports Systems this spring (\$3,000) to cover the west and north ends of the enclosure and will need to be taken down and stored away for the winter and reinstalled in the spring, annually; if keeping them in good shape and extending their use is a priority concern. This coming end of season take down will be contracted to Tomko Sports Systems who, by demonstration, will provide the team of volunteers with the knowledge (training) of how this is done efficiently and



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safely; saving the Community about \$1200 a year in installation and take down charges.

- Tomko Sports Systems provides tennis court and practice pad (basket ball) play surface maintenance (approximately \$900) which was not required this season due to the mild winter and an absence of play surface and fence vandalism.
- Recently purchased tennis court broom and rubber squeegee, are missing from the court. Others will not be purchased to replace these, rather donations of old brooms and squeegees from the tennis player members will be requested.
- At the end of the tennis season leaves and other debris inside of the tennis court fence need to be cleared by volunteers before the snow covers it and again at the beginning of the season. An electric powered leaf blower will be purchased for use by volunteers to maintain the upkeep of the court surface.
- Tennis lessons for beginners, intermediate & advanced, group and private lessons for children and adults are available to those interested through the University of Calgary Dinos Tennis Society, who provide the tennis coaches. Currently lessons are being held on the weekends and week nights and will continue weekly until the end of August. The tennis courts are rented to the University of Calgary Dinos Tennis Society for the hourly lessons. SAHCA Members pay a discounted lessons package rate. The proceeds go to the University of Calgary Dinos Tennis Society.
- Community Member enquired about the use of the Tennis Practice Wall (plywood backboard) for Lacrosse hard ball practice resulted in a request to community members not to use it for Lacrosse hard ball practice on account of the plywood board not being designed or built to sustain lacrosse hard ball play; over time the ball will damage the practice board. As well, the hard rubber ball hitting the plywood board resonates, like a big drum, and creates a disturbing and distracting noise for the tennis players. However, a brick or concrete wall or surfacing will be considered as a material replacement or upgrade of the plywood backboard. A brick or concrete wall could then be used for a ball bounce back wall that could accommodate any type of ball, safely and effectively. This proposal will be discussed by the Board.

### **Skating:**

#### **Ice Rink:**

Nik Rasula coordinates the Ice Rink creation and maintenance activities.

The Ice Rink Coordinator organizes and coordinates the volunteer Ice-Crew, keeps a record of the watering activity and weather conditions and provides and maintains (in good operating order) the resources for the making, maintaining, cleaning and safe use of the SAH ice rink, including night lighting. Starting this year, the Ice Rink Coordinator

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will as well monitor use of and have oversight over the use of the Skate Change Room during the skating season.

- This year the Ice Crew consisted of 16 community members who tried out and volunteered to help build, maintain and clean the ice rink.
- The ice rink building was started by November 25th and was two days from being available for skating use in November when a nine-day long chinook rolled in and delayed it being ready for skating on until Dec. 14th; skating began on December 1st last season.
- Rather than dispose of the 2 old and heavy ice rink hockey goals (as was proposed last year) the netting was replaced with used/free netting supplied by our friends at West Hillhurst and John Ross took the brush/blower machinery that needed to be serviced for maintenance over the summer to Arn's for free service; together saving the Community about \$600 in charges for the repair work.
- A Port-a-Potty was installed and maintained for the duration of the skating season but will not be required for the next season. The Skate Change Room washroom will be accessible to the public for winter use by skaters on a regulated basis (a programmable door lock and security cameras are being installed) this coming winter; saving the Community about \$600 in seasonal rental charges.
- The rink lasted until Feb. 22, 2016 when it was shut down due to long lasting chinook weather; the ice rink shut down Feb. 15th last season.
- The Ice-Crew celebrated the end of winter skating season and the ice rink community effort with a wind up pot luck party supported by the Board with a \$400 dispensation for refreshments.

### **Lessons:**

Heather Makowecki coordinates the Young Ice Skaters Outdoor Lessons Program activities.

The Young Ice Skaters Outdoor Lessons Program had been cancelled the previous year due to diminishing interest in it and the Program did not have a volunteer coordinator for the year. A new Young Ice Skaters Lessons Program Coordinator was required for this organized sports activity to continue.

- This year Heather Makowecki organized the skating activities for a group of over 20 kids for young skaters' community skating lessons.
- Volunteers taught two groups of skaters the basics and it was amazing how quickly the little skaters got moving on the ice.
- The early spring put an end to the lessons abruptly and prematurely but regardless everyone had a great time and learned a lot!
- Heather is going to organize and coordinate the skating program again this season so watch for information in the newsletter in the fall. Hopefully next year lessons can finish off with an end of the year skating party!

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### **Issues to look forward to for 2016-2017:**

- The installation of security system to monitor the tennis court for next year as part of an upgrade to the facilities Skate Change Room in preparation for winter access and use by skaters.
- The upgrade of the SAH Community Web site to accept soccer registration and fees payment for next season as part of an ongoing upgrade to the SAH digital communications system.
- The installation of a brick or concrete wall or surfacing as a material replacement or upgrade of the plywood tennis ball practice backboard.
- Succession of the soccer program to a new Soccer Coordinator.



## **Residential Development Report**

2016 AGM

Julia Stadnyk – VP Residential Development

### **Role of VP Residential Development**

This position involves seeking input on proposed residential developments in our community and communicating such input to the City. The VP Residential Development may be required to meet with residents and developers to facilitate compromise over new home specifications and bylaw requirements. In very unusual cases, the VP Residential Development may be required to prepare and present a formal appeal of certain aspects of an approved development, with the support of other members of the SAH Executive.

### **Contextual v. Discretionary Developments**

Contextual developments meet all bylaw requirements (and therefore community input is not being sought). Discretionary developments seek relaxations to the bylaws, typically with respect to height, parcel mass and setbacks. In this case, community comments are requested by the City and this is where the VP Residential Development facilitates the feedback. The community has historically opposed bylaw relaxation requests relating to height, mass, breezeways (in instances where they create massing issues) and any relaxations that could result in privacy concerns to affected neighbours.

### **2015/2016**

This past year was a slower year. We saw 5 discretionary developments and 2 contextual developments.

### **Volunteer required**

A replacement is required. Duties are described above. This position provides an opportunity to meet residents and to provide input in how the community's development evolves over time.

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## **Non-Residential Planning Report** 2016 AGM

Liz Murray - VP Non-Residential Planning  
Submitted by Liz Murray (Al Rasmuson)

This is my twelfth term as VP of Planning, Non-Residential for St. Andrews Heights. The Non-Residential planning portfolio deals with surrounding development by institutions such as Foothills Medical Centre, Brentwood Care Centre, West Campus, and the University of Calgary, as well as our community's parks. I am also the community rep for the SSASPG (South Shaganappi Area Strategic Planning Group).

### **Foothills Medical Centre (FMC) Area Communities Working Group (ACWG)**

This is a group consisting of FMC reps as well as Alberta Infrastructure, Alberta Health Services and the communities of St Andrews Heights, University Heights and Parkdale. The replacement lot 1 in front of the main building (with a 5 story parkade providing about 2000 stalls) will begin with the removal of the old parkade starting in the fall. The City also approved the expansion of surface lot 8 by ~100 stalls. A temporary parking lot will be set up on University lands south of Children's Hospital to facilitate parking during Lot 1 re-development. This will be in place for 3 years.

There will be a temporary steam generator placed on the south side of the site to provide backup steam generation while the turbines in the power plant undergo refurbishing over the next few years. There will likely be high pressure release from the power plant during the refurbishing period.

FMC is updating its master plan. Jacques Gendron and Ken Zdunich represent SAH.

### **Calgary Cancer Project**

The Cancer Centre project is a 109,000 m<sup>2</sup> facility on the corner of 16<sup>th</sup> Ave and 29<sup>th</sup> St. Stakeholder engagement is ongoing. Construction will begin in September of 2017. Public opening will be in 2024.

### **West Campus**

The West Campus Development Trust (WCDDT) was formed to manage the development of the West Campus lands. Al Rasmuson is on the Board of Directors as Community Representative. The development will be called the University District with streets named after current and former chancellors. Site grading has been ongoing over the last 2 summers and the phase 1 building contractors will be announced shortly.

### **Western Securities - Stadium Shopping Centre**

Previously the City approved an Area Redevelopment Plan (ARP) for the site to provide specific guidelines for building on the site. A fire in November resulted in the loss of several businesses.

DP applications were approved by the Calgary Planning Commission for the redevelopment of Stadium Shopping Centre and the land use change applied for the allow. Parking has been reduced to 1,200 stalls. Both applications will be going to City Council for approval this summer.

### **Brentwood Care Centre**

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Intercare submitted an application for the phase 3 expansion. This will add 191 beds to bring the total to 334. A portion (63) will be assisted living beds. The community supported the development permit application which was approved in November. The old building on the west end of the site is being removed this month.

Parking along 15<sup>th</sup> Ave has been changed to permit parking only (zone X).

### **City of Calgary**

#### Secondary Suites

City Council voted down the proposed bylaw amendments for Wards 7, 8, 9 and 11, including amendments made during the first reading in May, by a 9-6 vote on June 29, 2015.

#### Crowchild Trail Corridor Study

This 6 phase study involving 24<sup>th</sup> Ave N to 17<sup>th</sup> Ave S. The engagement process started in March 2015. We are in Phase 4 – Concept Evaluation. In Phase 3: Concept Identification, 17 ideas provided by stakeholders were evaluated against the three key principles: maintain and enhance bordering communities, improve travel along the corridor and improve mobility across the corridor. Check the Calgary.ca webpage. The study should take about 18 months and result in a plan for the improvement of Crowchild. Proposals being put forward will have significant impact on the east side access to SAH.

#### South Shaganappi Trail Study

The Shaganappi Trail study involves the area around 16<sup>th</sup> Ave and Bowness Rd. Stakeholders have provided ideas and input into the re-design of this area. Study should be complete by 2017 with a plan on how to improve the area.

#### Transit Project

The North Crosstown BRT (bus rapid transit) servicing Brentwood, West Campus, 16 Avenue to 36 Street NE. Work will begin on upgrades to the bus stops this summer. Stops will be located on 16<sup>th</sup> Ave close to the site of the CCP.

#### 29th Street and 16th Avenue Intersection

Intersection improvements are being designed and construction will begin in June of 2016. Utility work will be done this year and intersection expansion and the traffic circle on Uxbridge will be done next year.

#### 16th Avenue Widening

The City is developing concept plans for widening 16 Avenue North from four to six lanes between 19 Street N.W. and 29 Street N.W. Currently, this section of 16 Avenue North has only two lanes in each direction. Few impacts are expected because The City owns most of the required right-of-way (land). The project team will work with the community and adjacent land owners to identify and address concerns.

**University of Calgary (U of C)**

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The U of C is conducting a number of capital projects for completion in conjunction with its 50th Anniversary in 2016 and includes the following:

- Taylor Institute for Teaching and Learning – Opened in the spring of 2016.
- Crowsnest Hall Graduate student residence – now open
- Schulich School of Engineering Expansion – Construction started in 2014 with expected completion in 2017.

Work on a new Long Range Development Plan for all of University of Calgary lands (excluding West Campus lands) began in the fall of 2015 and was completed in the spring of 2016. The plan will be sent to the University Board for approval then the provincial government.

### **Rundle School**

The school has been sold to a group of 4 investors. Community reps met with 2 of the new owners in December. Development plans are yet to be finalized and the building may be rented until plans are finalized. Preliminary thoughts are to build a senior's facility. Rundle School students will begin classes in the fall of 2016 in their new facility.

### **South Shaganappi Area Strategic Planning Group (SSASPG)**

Al Rasmuson is the chair of this group and includes the 5 surrounding communities, all levels of government and the surrounding institutions. Market Mall is redeveloping the Target space and expanding SportChek.

### **South Shaganappi Major Construction Coordination Group (SSMCCG)**

South Shaganappi Major Construction Coordination Group is a construction coordination group has formed out of SSASPG and has representatives from all of the construction projects surrounding 16<sup>th</sup> Ave at 29<sup>th</sup> St. This will be the major route for information dissemination to the communities regarding construction logistics.

### **Brookfield Development on 29th St and Parkdale Blvd.**

Brookfield Residential has begun building a 3 storey 24-unit development contained in 4 buildings on the property on the NW corner of the intersection with access from 30th Street. Units are 1600-1800 sq. ft. and are 2-3 bedrooms.

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## **St. Andrews Heights Community Newsletter 2016 AGM**

David Cary – Newsletter Editor

(Submitted June 18, 2016)

### New Editor

Sylvia Siemens was the newsletter editor from November 2011 to early May 2016. She transitioned the role to the new editor, David Cary, in May. David published the June issue.

### Role of Newsletter Editor

- Community newsletter is published nine times a year.
- 'Unofficially' obtain new advertisers and liaise with existing advertisers.
- Write copy, coordinate with editorial contributors, design and layout each issue.
- Arranges for printing and delivery of the newsletter in the four community delivery routes.
- Liaise with Treasurer for invoicing of advertisers.

### Carriers

The carriers continue to do a great job. The Executive approved an increase in the carrier rate to \$25.00 per route per month, effective October 2015, for a total of \$100.00 per month in delivery costs.

### Printing

We continue to use Minuteman Press Beltline to print the newsletter. The quality and reliability are very good. Printing prices have remained steady for the past three years (\$231.00 per issue).

### Newsletter Advertising Income / Newsletter Costs

Total Revenue for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016 was \$2,634 (compared to \$2,251 for year ended March 31, 2015). Expenses (printing, delivery and other expenses) were \$2,894 (compared to \$2,862 for year ended March 31, 2015), for a loss of \$260 (compared to a loss of \$611.00 for year ended March 31, 2015). Note: Delivery expenses included a December holiday bonus for the carriers.

### Advertising / Content

We kept advertising rates steady this year (the last increase was an average of 12% in February 2014). Advertising revenue is important for the newsletter to minimize its costs. As such, the advertising rates will be revisited in the very near future.

An increase in not only advertising revenue, but also the number of advertisers, allows the newsletter to expand beyond 12 pages to 16 pages at very minimal cost.



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Essentially, one more half page ad can nearly cover the cost of four more pages of content.

At the May 2016 Board Meeting, the Executive approved an increase in the classified ad rate from \$3.00 to \$5.00, beginning in September 2016. There will now be a volume discount – three ads will cost \$10.00.

### Feedback

Plans are to include more local photos along with more feature content. As such, we are requesting feedback from members of the community. What would you like to see in the newsletter? Please provide your feedback by emailing:

Newsletter@StAndrewsHeights.ca

David Cary, Newsletter Editor

Sylvia Siemens, past Newsletter Editor

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## **Hall Rental Report**

2016 AGM

Judy Wark – Hall Rental Coordinator

### **Role of Hall Rental Coordinator**

- Assumed role in September 2015
- Replaced Allan and Meredith Simon
- First point of contact for renters, approval and scheduling
- Issue invoices, collect payments & update website calendar

### **Hall Renter Profiles**

- Regular Long Term Renters
  - o art groups (SAHCA, Alice Helwig, Friday Picassos & the Calligraphy Guild)
  - o two quilters groups
  - o astrologers
  - o a students' association
  - o a psychotherapy training workshop
  - o an internal medicine group
  - o and a three-week reptile camp in the summer
- Occasional Renters
  - o parties of all types
  - o family reunions
  - o end-of-year barbecues
  - o other one off occasions

### **Rental Revenue**

- FY Apr-01-14 – Mar-31-15: \$23,609
- FY Apr-01-15 – Mar-31-16: \$24,583

### **Keyless Entry**

- Removed the hassle of key pickup and return
- Improved control of building access and building security
- Thanks to Michael Fuchs & Jeremy Mortis

### **Hall Cleanliness**

- Thanks to Elaine Fuchs for ensuring the Hall presents to well

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## **Membership Report**

2016 AGM

Gwen Schaefer -- Membership Coordinator

The 2015/16 Membership Drive was from September 12 – 27, 2015.  
Proposed dates for 2016-17 Membership drive: September 10 – 25, 2016.

Fees remain the same:

\$25 for Family Households

\$15 for Senior Households where the Owner/Renter is 65 years of age or older

\$5 for additional family members over 18 and who wish to participate in Community programmes and/or to have voting rights at Community meetings

Money collected: \$6790

Family Memberships: 211

Senior Memberships: 73

Extra Family Members: 8

Non-Residents: 16

Total membership: 308

76%

Thank you to my 19 Volunteers:

Larry LOZINSKI  
Bertine GREEBE  
Steph RAUGUST  
Terry NAIL  
Geoff FRASER  
Gitte JULIEN  
Jacques GENDRON  
Elsie GORSLINE  
Ruth STURBY  
Liz MURRAY  
Connie HARPER  
Catherine MALCOM  
Karen DURBENIUK  
Jim BIERWIRTH  
Kevin NOAKES  
Susan SIMM  
Pia BLUM  
Jane BROWNE  
Lisa MCKEAN

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