

EDMONTON SENIORS SLO-PITCH ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Meeting held Nov 28, 2019 at Central Lions

Director's in attendance: Peter Brown, Bill Donlevy, Grant Huys, Kevin McCunn, Brenda Montgomery, Kerri Pasqua, Bruce Romaniuk, Gord Stamp

Director's regrets: DeWayne Brown, Don Hussey, Brenda Marshall, Carrie Runnals, Karen Stucke

1) Call to Order at 7:05 pm

- a) Welcome to Guest(s) – Darlene Pruden
- b) Approval of agenda – **Motion:** To accept the agenda as is. By B. Montgomery, 2nd Peter. **PASSED**
- c) Approval of minutes - **Motion:** To accept the minutes of Oct 23, 2019. By B. Montgomery, 2nd Bill. **PASSED**

2) Financial Matters

- a) Treasurer's report – carry forward
- b) Budget review – Grant requested additional notes of explanation especially where lines have been merged whereas in the past they were more detailed or where actuals are the sum of several budgeted lines. Grant will look for a less expensive means of having our locks reprogrammed. The executive will meet again to add comments.

3) New Business, Brought Forward

- a) 2020 dates
 - i. Tentative dates were reviewed per the attached and dates will be finalized as required
 - ii. Kerri will chair the Jan 23 meeting as Peter is away
- b) Survey – perceived problems/decisions were discussed. A subcommittee consisting of Kerri, Brenda Montgomery, Grant, Kevin and Bruce will work together.
- c) Ulmer House Addition – Name – Bill – see correspondence – file for future reference.
- d) SPN 60+ Nationals Working Agreement - **Motion:** To accept the SPN 60+ Nationals Working Agreement. By Peter, 2nd Grant. **PASSED.**
- e) Airways Park Site Meeting (Thurs Nov 28) – Peter, Bill & Brenda Montgomery attended. They will pass on the minutes to the board when they have been received. Some topics discussed were:
 - i. Homeless camps – 311 was called and camps were removed
 - ii. Extension of Diamond #4 – This was being considered to provide an additional national level diamond. The city will contact Don Hussey. Hansen would prefer the diamond not be extended as there are a very limited number of players that can hit the ball over the fence and being the third division they do not want their fielders having to do more running than they do now.
 - iii. Rink – This is owned by the community league who has not found a buyer. They will donate the rink which may be moved by “rink of Dreams” to an aboriginal school.
 - iv. Central Lions – They are busy. Regarding the flooded basement, all damp material has been removed. There is no health risk and they have 7 sump pumps. The cost to repair the basement is beyond their means this year.

- v. Sports Fields –
 - (1) Weeds – Under the Home Base agreement the city can be contacted to spray for weeds once a year usually in June (they put up signage re what sprayed and when it is safe to use and they do not spray within 30m of a playground. We can have additional sprays at an additional cost.
 - (2) Mowing - The city is trying robotic mowers which can make multiple passes each making a smaller cut to assist in grass cycling. They can work within either electronic fences (cost \$10,000) or physical fences. They have a GPS to locate in the event of theft.
 - (3) Shale – The city obtain 5/8” shale. They will confirm what their minimum size requirement is. Smaller shale requires either a cover or more watering to reduce wind erosion
 - (4) Line painting – The city has a contract for paint. Some requires mixing. Some does not.
- vi. Drainage – The city will look into the drainage problem, possibly conduct a survey. Suggestions of a dry pond or a swale. Brenda Montgomery will provide the contact email of the person handling this to
- vii. Parking – We can use handicap parking if we add signage indicating when regular parking is allowed. All major events should be booked with Civic Events as they look at parking requirements when there are multiple events in the same vicinity
- viii. Bat from 118 Ave – The bat will be available after the current levy period is completed in either 2020 or 2021. There may be a grant available (either historic or artistic) to assist with the cost of moving. The city will look into this.
- f) Alternative ESSPA Structure – Bruce will summarize his comments. Major points were
 - i. League is stagnant. Losing/Gaining 50 players each year.
 - ii. Numbering the division 1 thru 4 to identify div 1 as the highest ability players and so on.
 - iii. Work towards having people playing in the division best suited to their ability. Couples are an exception.

4) Reports - Executives, Directors etc. – only as required

- a) Maintenance – Grant needs more information on the income vs. cost to pay our maintenance staff
- b) Promotion – Gord is working on a new poster. Gord will prepare information on how to promote what we offer s people can make an informed decision. Grant suggested a cost per game

5) Correspondence - Incoming/Outgoing

- a) 191028 email re appl to City Naming Committee – see attached

6) Adjournment – at approx. 9:40 pm

7) Next Meeting/Upcoming dates

Board Meetings –Tues Dec 17, Thurs Jan 23, Wed Feb 26 & Thurs Mar 26