

**Prince Rupert Community League Executive Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 3rd, 2021, @ 19:00**  
**Virtually via Google Meet**

[meet.google.com/eog-nvpk-vjo](https://meet.google.com/eog-nvpk-vjo)

**Vision:**

*An inclusive, healthy, and thriving community where residents feel connected to one another and the land on which we live.*

**Mission:**

- Facilitate and encourage diverse opportunities to connect.
- Maintain and nurture our urban environment.
- Increase community involvement.
- Foster a sense of safety within the community.
- Advocate for the community to other organizations and governments.
- Keep residents up to date with community-relevant information.

**1. Call to order: 19:02**

**Present:** Angela Saxby, Roy Jefferson, Ralph Dyer, Carrie Anton, Ashley McDine, Cindy Langlois, [Tony Spencer](#), Amy Hildebrant, Sandra Lee, Marilyn Dumkee, KathyB, Roman Augustyn, Denise B, Carly Chen, [Shannon Biafore](#) Dennis M. Rego and John Laureano, Stephanie

**Regrets:** n/a

**2. Thank yous and updates:**

- a. Stephanie and team for getting our ski event going, for taking care of submitting it on the website, etc.
- b. To Sandra, Ralph, and Cindy for getting another small garden project together!
- c. Sandra, Denise, Rajah, and others for posting straight to our social media pages to lessen the burden of our Board.
- d. General thank you to everyone

**3. Approval of the agenda** Motion to approve by Marilyn , seconded by Ashley

**4. Approval of the Minutes from February Meeting** Motion to approve by Amy, seconded by Cindy

**5. Treasurer's Report**

- a. February report will be posted to website  
Motion to approve by Tony, seconded by Ashley. All in favour. None opposed.

**6. Playground update**

- a. Tony/Ashley -
  - i. Sorting out banking arrangements to move forward with the playground. The President has the entire document to be reviewed and signed (collection of steps from beginning of process). Will include a corporate seal.
  - ii. Cheque for ~\$297,000.00 for City to start process which is the second payment
  - iii. Next step is tender for equipment.

- iv. May need to separate the iron and cement work from main construction.  
Message board/kiosk proven to be more difficult; will be taken out for now.

Motion to approve the NPDP (Neighbourhood Park Development Agreement) by Tony and seconded by Amy; All in favour, none opposed

- b. Questions:
  - i. Looking at overall cost estimates of development, \$656,000.00 contributed by PRCL, what portion are grants from the city?
    - 1. Roughly \$200,000.00 taken from the \$650,000.00 number.
  - ii. What is the tentative timeline for construction - no timeline, meeting is first for recommendations. Timelines are not in our control, but we were set to be the first in the city for development.
- c. Park Development plans are available on website

## **7. Priority Planning- Creating connections**

- a. Communications
  - i. Introducing Amy - owner of trading post on 113 st.
  - ii. Getting Amy access to the shared drive - no problem
  - iii. Information sharing regarding communications
- b. Social
  - i. Edmonton Ski Club event update
    - 1. Free Event - Please register - this is a must
    - 2. Skiing, skating, snowboarding
    - 3. Bring food
    - 4. Currently 6 families
- c. Property values in Prince Rupert have gone up on average
- d. Membership
  - i. 118 to date.
  - ii. Membership cards to slide under condo owner doors.
- e. Community Garden (Ralph and Sandra)
  - i. First meeting March 8
  - ii. Looking for support from the Board - Group of 6, to propose the PRCL sponsor a garden for this year;
    - 1. To establish a pop-up garden - unsure if city will provide support
    - 2. Tentative grants including but not limited to:
      - a. Sustainable food edmonton
      - b. Healthy Community grant
      - c. Alberta Recreation
  - iii. Benefits
    - 1. Friendly welcome space for neighbours
    - 2. Provides comm with fresh and healthy options
    - 3. Condo owners would have an option

- a. Would also provide togetherness (newcomers, seniors, condo owners, etc.)
- iv. Plot options - dependent on grants and approval
  - 1. Stand up beds/raised beds
  - 2. Single person/family
  - 3. Water source - hand watered
  - 4. Organic - no fertilizers
  - 5. Garden share? - Would not be applicable to grants/funding.
- v. Current option is located at city owned large triangle: 11602-113 avenue

Motion to approve Prince Rupert Community League to review the concept of having a community garden, with subsequent motion to strike a Garden Committee

Kathy to approve, Sandra to second, all in favour, no opposed

- f. Virtual Event Saturdays - Abundant Community initiative that has been prominent in Edmonton for the last 10 years.
  - i. <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/participatory-edmonton-where-everyone-is-welcome-tickets-135926861903>
- g. Community Clean-up - keep in mind
  - i. Pokers, grabbers, bags, gloves are provided

#### **8. Kristy - NRC:**

- a. Keep Neighbouring newsletter is out there. Please sign up.
- b. Report will be added to Website
- c. Winter Neighborhood Challenges
- d. Creating a neighbourly vibe workshop

#### **9. Sign message**

- a. Thank you Carly for always taking care of the sign.
- b. Add - Next meeting - April 7, 2021
- c. Add - Edmonton Ski Club Event
- d. Remove - not getting our emails?

#### **10. Q&A with Dennis M. Rego from Commemorate Group Inc**

- a. Intro
  - i. Dennis - cofounder commem with John
    - 1. Started in 2003 for biopics/video tribute - caskets and urns - then trinity funeral
  - ii. John- Licensed funeral Director and embalmer; 2009 with Trinity - good friends since 14 with Dennis
- b. Q & A
  - i. In Alberta there does not appear to be regulatory oversight with respect to crematoriums in general; not much opportunity for gen public (odors, black

smoke). Comes down to design criteria, what regulatory authorization the design specifications were developed?

1. *Public does have 2 bodies to which they can report issues*
    - a. *Alberta Funeral Services Regulatory Board - governed by this board to keep license*
    - b. *Alberta Health Services - for smoke odor; when there is a complaint, it is investigated. Logs are kept by Funeral home/crematorium for investigative purposes*
  2. *Manufacturing units - have been designed so that as time goes on they are easier to operator and focus more on emissions*
    - a. *Fail safes are designed*
    - b. *Burners are computerized - keeps temps at set temp to help prevent smoke/odor*
      - i. *Computer adjusts in the event that temps are kept*
      - ii. *Manual override as well in case computer fails*
      - iii. *Crematorium operator is always on site*
  3. *Alberta Environment Parks Regulatory Assurance - Dale Nalley*
    - a. *Section 5.2.3*
- ii. Can you tell us what specific requirements AFSRB crematoriums need to comply with?
1. *Answered above.*
- iii. Who measures and how?
1. *Equipment is built to the highest standards - no specific tests*
  2. *Manufacturers are held to*
  3. *Maintenance programs are in place to keep equipment up to par*
- iv. Where does smoke go?
1. *Crematoriums are equipped with an afterburner at the back of the machine; smoke is reburned before it comes out of the stack in the second burner*
    - a. *Cremations with caskets/certain clothing/body bags - not performed in this crematorium; available outside city*
- v. Foundational - What is the draw for organizations that are close to residential rather than industrial
1. *Location is in an Industrial area*
  2. *Close proximity to families near the funeral home*
  3. *Large enough facility for "all in one" service center*
    - a. *Where is the other location*
      - i. *12134 66th street (just south of yellowhead on 66th)*
        1. *Complaints at that location?*
          - a. *Plaster shop owner - requested meeting - Crematorium was not even plugged in*
- vi. AHS - Which Department?
1. *AHS - Environment Public Health 334-9179*

2. *Crematoriums don't call AHS, AHS advises Crematorium to inform them of a complaint*
- vii. Cremation Container?
  1. *Min is cardboard box - 95% choose this option*
    - a. *Lined with wax to contain fluids, etc.*
  2. *Depending on container selected, it determines where the body is cremated*
- viii. Smoke comes from?
  1. *Wood/caskets, not plywood tray*
- ix. How many cremations a day?
  1. *1 - 6 - depending on weight of deceased*

**Next meeting:** April 7th, , 2021 @ 19:00

**Adjournment** @20:51