

Prince Rupert Community League Executive Meeting
Wednesday, May 5th, 2021, @ 19:00
Virtually via Google Meet

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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.*
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1. Call to order: 19:10

Present: Kathy B, Shannon B., Sandra Lee, Marilyn Dumkee, Ashley McDine, Denise Biziaev, Cindy L., Rajah, Stephanie

Regrets: Angela S., Ralph

2. Introductions

3. No Quorum

4. Thank yous and updates:

- a. Tony and Rajah for supporting the planning of AGM
 - i. Date set for June
- b. Stephanie, Rajah, Ralph, Ashley M for supporting community clean up
 - i. Waiting for more photos to come in.
- c. Playground committee for finalizing the playground equipment choices
 - i. Photos posted on Instagram and Facebook
 - ii. A lot of great feedback from the Community.
- d. Update: Green Shack
 - i. City of Edmonton to send Prince Rupert Community League a green shack.
 - ii. Discussion to determine where to be located
 1. Possibly located in the Prince Rupert park.
 2. This is a great location in the Community with open space
 3. The main park will be busy with construction
- e. Update: Edible Shrubs and Trees:
 - i. City is currently developing guidelines to share with communities.
 1. Near term potential for shrub and tree planting in the pond area.
 2. Any planting for the playground/school area will need to be coordinated with community planning initiatives.
- f. Update: The Garden Committee met with Kristy Berryman on Monday May 3. This meeting will be considered the “plan” step in the process.

- g. Our preferred site selection of the lot 11602-113 avenue is approved to proceed to enter the Strategy phase. This is good news!
 - i. The Committee is a group of nine (Sandra, Kathy B., Carly Chen, AJ & Honoka Chouinard, Chris Goossen, Cindy Langlois, Anna & Laurie McRae). Many thanks to this group!

5. Approval of the agenda - no quorum

6. Approval of the Minutes from March Meeting - no quorum

7. Treasurer's Report - Deferred to May

- a. March Notes:
 - i. Biggest cheque ever 297,000.00 for park project
 - ii. Some landscaping for rink land remediation
- b. Book Review/Audit - Katherine due to knowledge of community
 - i. To be decided by new Board
 - ii. Ashley volunteering to help

8. Playground update

- a. Tony/Ashley -
 - i. Meeting for fitness equipment area May 6
 - ii. Playground rendering as seen on Social
 - iii. New lights, new fence (wood), Benches, etc.
 - iv. Work will be most of summer with work potentially being completed by 2022.
 - v. Phase I - committee will dissolve and Phase II to have committee reform.
- b. City/PRCL Discussions re: Land license for school grounds.
 - i. No update. Kristy is still working. This will impact what and where we can use the tractor.
- c. Fruit trees and shrubs on school grounds (Ralph)
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9. Priority Planning- Creating connections

- a. Community Clean up (Report: Rajah/Stephanie)
 - i. All spots picked
 - ii. Distributing gift cards and wait for photos to come in
 - iii. Raffle for Kingsway Mall Gift card
- b. Future Event(s) (May Day?)
 - i. Due to Covid no planned events
 - ii. Online Social Events with Prizes
 - iii. Possible May Day for later in Summer.
 - iv. Planning Committee (Curtis, Cindy and Hal)
Let's try to get more members!
- c. Communications -
 - i. Social Media channels being utilized
 - ii. Branding with Curtis
 - iii. Newsletters being periodically published

- d. Membership -
 - i. 123 members and holding strong
 - ii. Disappointed that Membership cards were delivered but no additional members signed up.
- e. Community Garden Update -
 - i. Met with Kristy
 - ii. Approved for triangular lot
 - iii. Working on a Business case and strategy doc.
 - iv. Working on Community Engagement and survey results

10. Future Planning (AGM)

- a. Date - June 16th, 2021
- b. Update from planning committee -
 - i. Board roles to be filled with be put on the website and in a newsletter prior to AGM
 - 1. As per Bylaws - we require 30 days' notice of AGM
 - 2. AGM Announcement - Let's get it printed to catch those who may not have social media or means to check virtually.
 - a. Discuss with Curtis to have a poster created
- c. Big Bin
 - i. Ralph proposes to have Big Bin earlier in the year and to add a pick-up option to the event.
 - 1. August could see many people still away for holidays, September seems to be a better option.
 - 2. We could offer a free pick up service for those that can't bring their stuff to the bin location.
 - 3. Pending volunteers stepping forward, we could rent a Budget truck for approximately \$150.00.
- d. City Council Candidate forum
 - i. 4-5 candidates to replace Bev.
 - ii. Larger Ward
 - iii. Possibly discuss with nearby Community Leagues so candidates do not have to discuss with all Communities.
 - iv. Closer to the Election.
- e. Alberta Airshed
 - i. Ralph suggests that PRCL join the air shed with me representing the league. Membership is \$50.00 annually.
 - ii. Ralph to lobby the Air Shed to install more ambient air quality monitoring around the community so that we have more background data to compare to new development from Blatchford and new developments such as crematoriums.
 - 1. The crematorium debate certainly highlighted the lack of air quality data for our area.
 - iii. Good air quality is part of healthy communities.
 - iv. June 29, urban planning committee to discuss bylaws and set back distances for builds such as Crematoriums near communities

f. John Deere tractor update

- i. John Deere tractor - we either need to find a new place to store it or find a new owner.

Original options include:

1. Donate it to another community league - 3rd choice
2. See if Queen Mary would like it - 2nd choice
3. Donate it to the Slo-Pitch Assoc. with the proviso that we can use it if we need it - first choice, if # 4 doesn't work.
4. Find somewhere in our community to store it.
5. We could send out a social media notice

Most viable options:

- ii. The Community that received our rink - first option
- iii. EFCL to put out call - second option

11. Kristy - NRC update will be forwarded by email.

12. Additional - Need New Board Members - Discuss with your neighbours.

13. Sign message -

- a. Current: "Community clean-up, prizes available - See Social Media!"
- b. Switch to: "AGM - June 16th @ 7pm"

Next meeting: AGM: June 16th @ 7pm

Adjournment: **20:23**