



**Prince Rupert
Community League**

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Central Lions Senior Recreation Centre Room #4

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

Land Acknowledgment:

We acknowledge that we are meeting on Treaty 6 Territory, a traditional meeting ground for many Indigenous peoples. The land on which this Community League is located has provided a home and traveling route to Indigenous peoples including the Cree, Blackfoot, Saulteaux, Métis and others, and we are privileged to be able to gather here today.

Present: Anna, Sandra, Laurie, Cindy, Selena (Guest), Tony, Ralph, John M., Andrei, Gabriela Sosa, Bruce, Mel, Barbara, Barrie, Roy, Heather

Regrets: Battista, Cynthia, Brent, Marilyn

1. Call to Order: Anna
2. Approval of the Agenda
Motion to approve by Roy and seconded Mel
All in favour
3. Approval of AGM 2023 Minutes
Motion to approve by Roy and seconded by Cindy
All in favour
4. [Alberta Capital Airshed Presentation](#) – Selena (Engagement Coordinator)
 - a. A not for profit, multi-stakeholder organization that monitors, reports, evaluates and educates on air quality.
 - b. Primary role is to gather information from air quality monitoring data ensuring all stakeholders, including the public, have access to this important information.
 - c. 88% of population lives within an Airshed region
 - d. Capital region extends up to Athabasca region
 - i. Majority is focused around Capital region
 - ii. St. Albert and remainder around Edmonton
 - e. Monitoring methods
 - f. Data is used to calculate air quality health index (AQHI) (1 to 10+)



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- g. Live data
 - i. Used to produce annual reports
 - ii. Interactive monthly data
- h. Education and outreach program
 - i. Community events to showcase
 - ii. Free educational resources on website
- i. Annual reports are supplied to the community
- j. Webinars
- k. Will be Hosting Clean air forum this Fall
 - i. Details to follow
 - ii. November 13 in Strathcona County
- l. Follow at YEGAirshed on social media
- m. Sign up for monthly newsletters at www.capitalairshed.ca
- n. Thank you to PRCL for awareness and involvement
 - i. Received Clean Air Award 2023
 - ii. Host a PurpleAir microsensor with data available through the PRCL website.
- o. What is a Microsensor
 - i. Size of softball
 - ii. Provides localized air quality data that is affordable, easy to use and data is publicly available
 - iii. Laser particle counter that measures fine particles commonly associated with wildfire smoke.
- p. Alberta notes:
 - i. Wildfire smoke was the reason for the high AQHI readings in 2023.
 - ii. There were 299 smoke hours in 2023.

Questions Session:

Question 1 – Is there data from the Hangar 11 fire?

Unsure but provide an email and Selena will get back to you for data.

Question 2 – Do the microsensors measure nitrogen?

The microsensors do not but the big stations, yes.

Question 3 – Do we have to apply for the monitoring every year?

No but the microsensors have a lifespan that will be replaced if/when it fails.

Question 4 – Clean Air Day, what does that entail?

This is a national event that different communities have events for that we attend. We love attending community events.

Question 5 – How do you know when the microprocessor dies?

Stats on the device itself shows on our site.

Question 6 – Does IQ Air connect?

Unsure where the data for IQ Air comes from.

5. PRCL Board Presentation

- a. Review of what the Community does throughout the year
- b. Volunteers –
 - i. Over 60 volunteers contributed to over 500 hours at events and functions.



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- ii. These events and volunteers help build community and bring people together.
- c. Social Activity highlights –
 - i. May Day 10th Anniversary
 - ii. Saturday morning walks
 - iii. Movie Night – another to keep an eye out at the end of August
 - iv. Winter Fest Dinner
 - v. Family Fun Day
 - vi. Capital City Clean-up
 - vii. Flowers in the Park
 - And many more!
- d. Membership –
 - i. Door knocking campaign
 - ii. PRCL website information updated
 - iii. Thank you to Cindy for getting new membership platform
 - iv. 169 members at 2023 AGM
 - v. We are now up to 262 members as of June 2024 AGM!
- e. Committees –
 - i. Civics
 - ii. Garden
 - iii. Program and Facility Development
 - iv. Bylaw
 - v. Fundraising (NEW and need members)
- f. Grant Funding
 - i. Helps bring community members together which in turn supports a safer, stronger & more connected neighbourhood.
 - ii. Grants received Sept. 2022 to Aug. 2023 ~ \$7,800.00
 - iii. Grants received Sept. 2023 to Aug. 2024 ~ \$40,000.00
 - 1. CLOG
 - 2. Big Bin
 - 3. Crossroads x 2
 - 4. COE Fall/Winter/Summer – Neighbourhood Dev.
 - 5. CLIP Grant
- g. Casino Fundraising
 - i. November 2022 earned the Community ~ \$75,500.00
 - ii. August 2024 – Coming up on the 7th and 8th will earn roughly \$75,000.00
 - iii. Casinos helped fund the new playground and will help with the future PRCL Hall
- h. Program and Facility Development
 - i. Formed in March 2023
 - ii. City approved the Business Plan in February 2024 and the Concept phase is with the City currently.
 - iii. HCMA Architect Firm hired
 - iv. Tripartite agreement is in the works to be amended away from the Airway Park to the land adjacent to the Playground.



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- v. Concept design plans coming this summer.
- vi. Funding for the new Hall includes the following and more:
 - 1. 2024 Casino (50%)
 - 2. CLIP Grant
 - 3. Allocated League funds
 - 4. CFEP (Provincial funding)
 - 5. Fundraising Committee
- vii. Construction to commence hopefully by Spring of 2026
- i. Civics
 - i. This year saw 3 rezoning applications and 4 redevelopment permits.
 - ii. Zoning Bylaw renewal passed by City Council on October 23, 2023 became effective January 1, 2024.
 - iii. District Planning Public Hearing resumes June 25, 2024.
- j. Rupert's Roots
 - i. 25 gardeners in 2022 and has grown to 41 gardeners.
 - ii. Total fees collected this year: \$930.00
- k. Neighbourhood Watch (ENW)
 - i. Laurie is the ENW Liaison
 - ii. Stay tune for Block parties and signage programs.

6. Financial Review 2023

- a. Thank you to Cindy and Katherine (bookkeeper)!
 - b. Victor D. and Gabriela S. for completing the review
 - c. 2023 Financials
 - d. Thanks to Roy for completing the bi-annual audit to ensure we were all up to date
- Motion to accept the audited 2023 financial statements by Sandra and seconded by Barrie.**
All in favour.

7. Draft Bylaws - Bylaw amendment proposal

- a. Thanks to Bylaw Committee and Sandra Johnson from EFCL
- b. Last reviewed in 2014
- c. September 2023 Board meeting prompted review
- d. EFCL provided
- e. Met 5 times over the year prior to presenting to the EFCL for final review
- f. Summary of changes:
 - i. Membership types have been defined
 - 1. How to become a member
 - 2. Must live within boundaries
 - 3. Honorary life membership
 - ii. Meetings: AGM, Special Meetings. Meeting types and definitions have been more clearly explained
 - iii. Duties – Election of Board Members
 - 1. Voted



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2. Elections Uncontested shall be lumped together
3. Positions for 2 years instead of each year and no more than 3 terms (6 years) but can be voted in etc. etc.
4. Duties of the four officers and expectations for all board members have been modified and clarified
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- iv. Voting changes - The voting rights of general membership have been amended to reflect current best practices
- v. Quorum 2/3 of Executive/Directors
- vi. Committees
- vii. Financial Processes
- viii. Dispute resolution has been provided
 1. Conflicts within society
 2. League and Directors/members
- ix. New AGM date to align with fiscal and so another AGM will be held in October

Motion to accept the proposed bylaws by Andrei and seconded by Anna.

Discussion:

- Suggestion in the future to mark the changes between versions of the bylaw.
 - o Changing rules regarding voting should have been made clearer.
 - PRCL is/was the only Community League in Edmonton to have bylaws where membership can vote
 - 10-30 members can ask to have a special meeting if they don't agree with a major motion.
- New member appreciated the work around the new bylaws and that in reading the draft online mentioned that they are well written and clear
- Bylaws are made for Board Members current and future to keep best practices

Voting:

Against - 0

All in favour - 11

Those who abstain – 2

Motion passed

8. Special Thanks - Volunteering and Commitment

Thank you and huge recognition to Tony and Barbara Spencer for all the countless hours and contributions to the PRCL Community!!

9. 2024/2025 Goals – HAVE FUN!

- a. Plan to host more spontaneous, low-cost activities (mega snowfall=tobogganing, windy day= kite flying)
- b. Continue with the goal of communicating save the dates for events



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- c. Member engagement
- d. Apply for Grants
- e. Continue engagement and planning for NEW PRCL Hall!
- f. Fundraising for new Hall

10. Nominations and Elections for 2024/2025 Board: Presented by Tony S.

See following table for nominations and Elected Board Members.

Role	Nominations	Will Stand	Elected by Acclamation	Elected
President	Anna Vrba - McRae	Yes	Anna Vrban-McRae	-
Vice President	Andrei Kisil	Yes	-	Andrei Kisil
Secretary	Kathy Banjavcic	Yes	Kathy Banjavcic	-
Treasurer	Cindy Langlois	Yes	Cindy Langlois	-
Membership Director	Gabriela Sosa	Yes	-	Gabriela Sosa
Social Director	Laurie McRae	Yes	Laurie McRae	-
Communications Director	Vacant	-	-	Vacant
Sports Director	Vacant	-	-	Vacant
Casino Director	Sandra	Yes	Sandra Lee	-
Ways and Means Director	Vacant	-	-	Vacant
Director at Large	Brent Sheldon	Yes	Brent Sheldon	-
	Bruce Best	Yes	-	Bruce Best
Civics Director	Marilyn Dumkee	Yes	-	Marilyn Dumkee

11. Call for adjournment: **Motion to adjourn meeting at 20:28 by Kathy and seconded by Anna**
All in favour.