



General Membership Monthly Meeting

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General Meeting – February 12, 2025

Central Lions – Room 12 at 18:30 to 20:30

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.

The Board: Anna Vrban-McRae, Andrei Kisil, Kathy Banjavcic, Cindy Langlois, Gabriela Sosa, Laurie McRae, Sandra Lee, Bruce Best and Marilyn Dumkee.

Present: Andrei, Kathy, Cindy, Gabriella, Marilyn, Chris, Sandra, Heather and Bruce

Regrets: Anna, Laurie

1. Call to order and introductions: Call to order at 18:35
2. Approval of the Agenda:
Motion to approve agenda as presented by Andrei and seconded by Marilyn.
All in favour
3. Approval of the Minutes:
Motion to approve previous meeting minutes by Andrei and seconded by Gabriela.
All in favour
4. NRC Update – [Heather O'Hearn](#)
 - a. Sea-can update – permanent Sea-can is expensive (requires concrete pad/permit/etc.)
 - i. Work around is to make it temporary
 - ii. Once the building is ready, move near the building.
 - iii. Resubmit as temporary structure and incorporate Sea-can into building project.
 - b. New Downtown group – joint programming – [Family Day is first event!](#)
 - c. [Funding opportunities](#) – many for February and many for Buildings/Spaces.
 - d. Neighbourhood funds is changing to twice a year instead of quarterly as well as funds changing.
 - e. Follow up regarding signs/park signage.

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[Prince Rupert February 2025 NRC Update - Google Docs](#)

5. Executive/Committee Updates:
 - a. President – Anna
 - i. CLIP Grant submitted by Sandra and I on Feb 9th
 - ii. Currently working on the CLOG submission
 - iii. The letter dropped off to Shelley Prasad (owner of properties on 111 Ave). No response yet.
 - iv. Attended two virtual EFCL workshops in January (Keep your Grant Money Flowing/CLOG reporting & Generating Your Premium: An Insurance Workshop). Good information provided.



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- v. Big Bin in September again?
 - 1. Tentative date (pre-booked last Sept) with City of Edmonton Facilities Bookings (Shelly) for Sat, Sept 6th.
 - 2. If the Board approves moving ahead, we can book with Heather to use the Airways Parking Lot (old PRCL Licensed land).
 - 3. We can reach out to Brent if he is interested in helping to organize it, anyone else interested?
 - 4. Will need to apply for Grant again once it opens.
 - 5. The overall cost to PRCL (after Grants) was \$1,255.69 in 2024 and \$1,768.61 in 2023.

Motion to move forward with big bin event on September 6 in Airways parking lot by Andrei and seconded by Marilyn.

All in favour.
- vi. Please ask Heather about Vision Zero, has Prince Rupert been signed up for an assessment yet, if not, can we do it ourselves?
 - 1. Spoke to Vision Zero: There may be some options, Heather will get the application in and underway.
 - 2. **Cases are built by placing calls to 311 and EPS regarding speeding etc.**
- vii. I have followed up with Councillor Anne Stevenson regarding the Traffic Impact Assessment and parking changes in Kingsway Landing Street. Stay tuned....
- viii. Traffic Safety Police Officer contacted me regarding pin-pointing a good day/time to monitor the speeding issues in the park area (116 St. / Tower Rd.) and 119 St.
 - 1. I emailed him back that a better time would be midafternoon or Saturday during the day or evening (Rush hour is not the best time as traffic gets congested and therefore usually slows down drivers).
- b. Vice President – Andrei
 - i. No information to share at the moment
- c. Communications – Andrei
 - i. Issue with email not working on membership (for Gabriela to review)
 - ii. MacEwan student: History project to research PRCL.
 - 1. Possibly Ryan at the Aviation Museum and a few other long-term residents
- d. Treasurer – Cindy
 - i. January report – slow month for financial activity
- e. Secretary – Kathy
 - i. No comment for secretarial duties.
- f. Membership – Gabriela
 - i. 303 Members!
 - ii. Barrie helped catch Gaby up with how to reach out to community members.
 - 1. Reach out to Ralph possibly to get maps
- g. Social – Laurie
 - i. Yoga is well underway:
 - 1. 5 classes to date with an average of 9 people per class.
 - 2. All positive feedback on yoga classes.
 - ii. Planning on Winter Family Fun Day with a photographer for family pictures in the Park.
 - 1. Hoping for March 1 or 2, just need to confirm one more detail.
 - 2. Save the date will be sent ASAP.
 - 3. Need volunteers.
 - iii. Still hoping to have an impromptu toboggan day, it's just been too cold lately.
 - iv. Will soon start planning for Volunteer Appreciation Day in April.



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- v. A **Christmas/Holiday** Party is booked for the Clansman Rugby Club on **Saturday, Dec 6th.**
SAVE THE DATE!
 - h. Civics – Marilyn
 - i. No new notices about rezoning or development permits
 - ii. Regularly attending Alberta Capital Airshed meetings
 - 1. Air quality and aging webinar was watched in January and is now available on their website.
 - a. Air quality linked to dementia/brain health
 - 2. Next meeting is March 19 with next webinar in April: Topic - Air Quality and outdoor sports and recreation
 - i. Casino – Sandra
 - i. No updates as we are in between Casinos.
 - j. Director at Large – Bruce
 - i. Traffic concerns – U-turns etc. at Tower Rd. and Kingsway
 - ii. Staking already underway for bike lanes along Kingsway
 - iii. Possibly get a hold of transportation??
 - iv. Community sand box discussion –
 - 1. Confirmed there is a sandbox next to the slo-pitch building.
 - k. Other Committees with Updates:
 - i. Land Development:
 - 1. Anna and Sandra have worked together to create a budget to apply for a CLIP grant. The deadline was February 19.
 - a. Asked City for \$400,000.00
 - 2. Heather was encouraging by saying Communities in Edmonton have not had any major projects.
 - 3. Will know possibly in April and then apply for another grant, **CFEP**.
 - 4. May look at other contractors in the future.
 - ii. Garden:
 - 1. Still beds available
 - 2. Another Community (Urban Farm by Borden Park) reached out to use some beds
6. Round Table Items/Items to be Tabled:
- a. Round Table:
 - i. Stats for the Scholarship page. Was viewed the following number of times:
 - 1. 7 times in Feb 2025 (*up to Feb 11th*)
 - 2. 64 times in Jan 2025
 - 3. 22 times in Dec 2024
 - ii. **Can we use Blatchford ice rink**
 - 1. **Run by the development group and YES we can!**
 - iii. Reach out to community for old hall photos etc.
 - b. Tabled Items:
 - i. Sandra – Community Connections – March
 - ii. Kathy – Building construction question – March
 - iii. Website updates
7. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 19:34 by Andrei and seconded by Kathy. All in Favour