



## West Springs / Cougar Ridge Community Association

Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting  
Wednesday, October 11, 2023, 7:00 p.m.  
In Person/Virtual Meeting

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**Executive in Attendance:** *A. Marian, K. Gibson, C. Akister, T. Sangalabrang*

**Regrets:** *None*

**Directors in Attendance:** *P. Ghazar, T. Adetola, K. Paw, Z. Agashae, L. Campbell, E. Teasdale, D. Ho, H. Zaba, J. Barrett, J. Healey*

**Regrets:** *S. Berman*

**Volunteers/Members in Attendance:** *S. See*

**Guests in Attendance:** *J. Runge, Constable M. Lavictoire*

**Late Arrivals:** *None*

**Early Departures:** *D. Ho (8:10pm)*

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### **Call to Order and Quorum:**

Meeting called to Order at 7:05 p.m.

Executive/Directors in attendance constituted a quorum (14/15 of executives/directors). A. Marian acted as Chair and K. Suen acted as minute taker of the meeting.

*[Quorum for Board Meeting is 4 Executive and/or Directors. Quorum for AGM and/or special meeting is 3 Executive and/or Directors and 5 voting members other than directors (anyone holding an active regular membership is a voting member).]*

### **Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION:** Motion to move the agenda as it stands.

**Moved by:** K. Gibson      **Seconded by:** K. Paw      Carried.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the June 14, 2023 monthly board meeting were reviewed by the Board.

**MOTION:** Approve the minutes from September 13, 2023 monthly board meeting (as circulated).

**Moved by:** K. Gibson      **Seconded by:** Z. Agashae      Carried.



### **Guest Reports**

- Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator (NPC) Board Report, please refer to the Board Report for details. Highlights are noted below:
  - There are many grants available for eligible projects to apply, please visit grant website here [Other Initiatives Program | Alberta.ca](#):
    - Community-Run Public Art Microgrant, applications now open.
    - Federated Co-op Community Investment Fund, deadline: Dec 31.
    - Centralized Climate Fund, deadline: Nov 13.
    - Calgary Flames Foundation (community grant), deadline: Oct 30.
    - Inspiring Neighbourhoods Grant, contact NPC to discuss project eligibility.
  - Federation of Calgary Communities Workshops - To register and view all online/virtual workshops and sessions visit: [calgarycommunities.com/our-events/](https://calgarycommunities.com/our-events/)
  - Government of Alberta – Community Development Workshops and Trainings, Board members may visit: [Government of Alberta - Community Development Unit Events | Eventbrite](#)
- Ward 6 Community Ward Report, please refer to the report for details. Highlights are noted below:
  - Ward 6 Councillor's Office will be holding the CA President Meeting on Oct 26 at 6:30pm at Glamorgan CA Seminar Room 4207 41 Avenue S.W.
- Calgary Police reported that:
  - The complaints reported in our community are currently below the average, Constable Lavictoire is the point of contact until January 1, 2024.
  - There is an enduring concern regarding the homeless issue around the 69st CTrain station, the CA would like to see more solutions applied to address the issue.

### **President's Report: A. Marian**

- The Board has rented a bigger locker to store our CA equipment which is now U2022, and located at 36 Bowridge Dr. Nw. Thank you P. Ghazer to reach out and coordinate the moving.
- The Board is looking for 4-5 volunteers to set up a committee and coordinate the Community Garden program this year.
- There are a number of open volunteer positions including Board VP, Community garden coordinator, Volunteer coordinator, etc.

*Motion: The Board to approve up to \$1,500 annual rental fee to upgrade the size of the WSCRA storage locker.*

**Moved by:** K. Gibson      **Seconded by:** K. Paws      **Opposed:** None      Carried.

*Motion: The Board to approve forming a Hiring (HR) Committee consisting A. Marian, P. Ghazar, K. Gibson, C. Akister, and Z. Agashae as the committee members.*

**Moved by:** H. Zaba      **Seconded by:** K. Paws      **Opposed:** None      Carried.

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**Vice-President's Report: K. Gibson**

- K. Gibson and her team continue to plan for the 2023 Santa Event, and have arranged a zoom meeting with West Springs Church on Tuesday, Oct 17. K. Gibson is also looking for Board's approval to increase the operating budget for the 2023 Santa Event, as the cost for each item has been raised.

*Motion: The Board to approve up to \$9,000 operating budget for the 2023 Santa Event.*

**Moved by:** K. Gibson      **Seconded by:** Z. Agashae      **Opposed:** None      **Carried.**

**Treasurer's Report: T. Sangalabrang**

- Total revenue was up \$2,900 last month, the Board has made a donation of \$600 to Calgary Food Bank.
- The fee for auditing the 2022-2023 WSCRCRCA Annual Financial Statement has been paid.

**Secretary's Report: C. Akister**

- No updates at this time.

**Planning and Development Director: J. Healey**

- The Planning committee continues to review and work on a number of development permits.
- It is anticipated an increase in traffic volume after the Calgary West Ring Road opens to traffic. J. Healey has raised a concern that there is a significant speeding violation between Bow Trail and West Ring Road. Constable L. recommended the CA and residents to file complaints via the Calgary Traffic Service Requests.

**Communications Director: H. Zaba**

- H. Zaba continues to work with Agency Atlas on the new WSCRCRCA website.
- Coach Hills CA has reached out and proposed to share the cost of owning a large projection screen for any outdoor movie event in the future. A. Marian is concerned about the storage issue. NPC J. Runge recommended that there is a need to have a Term of Agreement among the CAs. P. Ghazar and H. Zaba will coordinate and provide updates to the Board.

**Membership and Casino Director: E. Teasdale**

- E. Teasdale is planning for the date of the 2024 Casino Event.

**Traffic Director: D. Ho**

- No updates at this time.

**Sponsorship Director: T. Adetola/L. Campbell**

- No updates at this time.

**Skating and Soccer Director: S. Berman/K. Paw**

*Soccer:*

- No updates at this time.



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### *Skating:*

- No updates at this time.

### **Stampede Breakfast Director: J. Barrett**

- No updates at this time.

### **Building Safer Communities Group: H. Zaba**

- No updates at this time.

### **Community Recycling: A. Marian**

- No updates at this time.

### **Community Garden Program: M. MacLeod**

- No updates at this time.

### **Additional Issues/New Business/Program Reporting**

- No updates at this time.

### **Meeting Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Adjourn meeting at 8:30p.m.

**Moved by:** K. Paw **Seconded by:** L. Campbell

**Carried**

### **Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

### **Signed by:**

Chair: Angelina Marian

Date: October 14, 2023

Secretary: Carrie Akister

Date: October 14, 2023