

Board Present: Jane Proudlove, Peter Slade, Laura Turner, Sheila Bannerman, Bruce Buckley and Trish Campbell
Guests: Emily Damberger, City of Red Deer Planning Manager, Jolene Tejkl, City of Red Deer Planner

1. **Call to order.** The meeting was called to order at 7:15. Jane thanked everyone for coming, and introduced the Board, all of whom were present.
2. **Agenda** was approved. Peter Slade/Henry Rangen. Carried.
3. **Minutes** of the last Annual General Meeting, October 23, 2014 were approved. Bob Gibbens/Stuart Fraser. Carried.
4. **Financial report.** Laura presented the unaudited financial report and answered questions about the grant from the City of Red Deer and our process for audit (scheduled to be completed shortly). Henry Rangen volunteered to join the audit committee for the next financial year. Thanks very much, Henry!
Motion to approve the financial report. Lori Cooley / Allan Whitecotton. Carried
Motion to approve Henry Rangen for the 2016 audit Laura Turner / Marguerite Watson. Carried.
5. **Membership.** Jane explained that although we are not currently changing membership fees or structure we need a motion to approve the fee structure for the upcoming year. Laura answered a question about Associate Membership status (being non-residents, or a business). Dan Obst/Susan Harper. Carried.

6. **Nominations for the Board.** Jane explained that as Board terms are set in the Bylaws as either one or two years, and as all current Board members have committed to two years, we are only looking for one new elected Board member to replace Doug Anderson, who resigned in writing prior to the meeting.

No nominations were forthcoming, either from the floor, or as volunteers on the sign up sheets, so elections and Board approval were not required at this time.

Jane explained that should anyone decide at anytime they would like to join the Board, they would be welcome. There was a question from the floor about the time commitment for Board duties, and another question on whether a person would be welcome at Board meetings as an observer. Jane explained that it is a fairly light commitment at this time, and that members are welcome to attend Board meetings. Board meeting dates are posted on both the website and our facebook page. Interested people can also contact any Board member and ask to be personally notified.

7. **Committee Reports**

Safety and Crime Prevention

Bruce Buckley reported that this committee had gotten off to a good start. There are plans to approach the RCMP about a neighbourhood notification system similar to that adopted by Waskasoo.

Community Events

Sheila commented that it would be good to have a committee to organize a few get togethers of a purely social nature. Interested members can speak to her after the formal part of the meeting.

Community Gardens

Jane Proudlove presented the idea of an edible gardens with fruit trees and berries and such, as something we could consider in this neighbourhood, especially as we have so many parks and green spaces. There are already good models for this in Red Deer.

Planning and Development

Guests Emily Damberger and Jolene Tejkl presented the idea of an area redevelopment plan (ARP), which will help the City make development decisions based on what the neighbourhood has identified as significant features, both natural and built.

The ARP includes one or more character statements within a neighbourhood that are set within the context of a general plan for the neighbourhood as a whole.

There were a number of questions and a lively discussion concerning what types of things might be in a character statement and/or development plan. Included: building genres, green spaces and trees, relationship of public and private spaces. Not included: traffic calming measures, safety.

8. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 (Sheila) with time for socializing and refreshments.