

**WEST PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 4, 2013 7:00 P.M. WEST PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

1. Call to order – Meeting called to order by Keira Rudge at 7:12pm; Keira did introductions of directors

2. Approval of agenda – Keira notified of one change that Jennifer from the City of Red Deer was not able to attend the meeting and present JoAnn Curtis moved to approve agenda, Mark Collings seconded.

3. Reading and approval of minutes from the 2012 AGM – Keira Rudge read minutes from 2012. Tyler moved to approve, Don Blackwell seconded.

4. Treasurer's Annual Report – Cody Cunningham provided treasurer's report. Bonnie Meier moved to approve, JoAnn Curtis seconded.

5. Presentations:

Jennifer Garnett, City of Red Deer – unable to attend

Jordan Furness, Senior Planner, from the City of Red Deer – West Park Redevelopment Plan close to being finalized. Discussed open house and changes made in plan. Particularly zoning. Plan going to Red Deer city council this weekend. Mail out to be sent March 21st. April 16th public may speak to council about the plan.

Rene Michalak, Managing Director of ReThink Red Deer on community gardens and community sustainability – Rene gave a presentation discussing transition towns, community based farms, community gardens, community supported agriculture (CSA), edible schoolyards, kitchen incubators, holistic farming and permaculture. He also showed slides of his home garden system and the progression of his garden. Discussed Oriole Park community garden.

6. Year in Review:

Green Deer – spring cleanup annually

Casino – volunteers for two days of work and association received \$27,800

Pickle Ball – WPCA purchased equipment and has available at activity centre

Ladies' coffee time – organized by Arlene Deacon each month; had about 3 people

WPCA newsletters – coming out rarely but looking for feedback

Winterfest –held annually at Heritage Ranch in December; 2012 was our third

Activity centre operations – end of ice season now; rental of centre \$10 per hour and getting lots of interest; people appreciate centre open and availability of concession

Active Kidz – program in summer for kids activities offered through City of Red Deer; one week at West Park but on two year cycle so hope to be offered 2014

West Park community gardens – Mark Collings provided overview of garden concept on store hill

WPCA 50th anniversary – Mark also provided information on celebration planned at West Park Plaza of a 60s themed party for end of June.

7. Nominations

Secretary – no nominations

Treasurer – Marion Kokko nominated as treasurer. Marion accepted.

Directors – JoAnn nominated Yvonne Nicoll as a director. Yvonne accepted.

Tyler Wilhelm and JoAnn Curtis nominated as directors. Both accepted.

8. New Business – Next meeting April 8th at 7 pm at activity centre

9. Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 8:55pm