



# MILlicAN-OGDEN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

**M.O.C.A. (MILlicAN OGDEN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION)  
MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING  
Tuesday June 1, 2021  
7:00pm  
VIA ZOOM – Sign-up sheet**

	<b>1.</b>	<p><b>Call to order at 7:03 pm</b></p> <p><b>Total participants:</b></p>
	<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Introductions:</b> <i>Directors and Special Guests</i></p> <p><b>Directors in attendance:</b> President Rick Smith, Vice President John McDonald, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Lorraine Robinson and Director Barry Bickford.</p> <p><b>Directors absent:</b> Treasurer Pieter van Lindenberg, Secretary Sarah Atkinson and Directors Angela Cruickshank, Jim Logan and Mat Strangemann.</p>
	<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Approval of the Monthly General Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2021</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion to accept the minutes by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President John MacDonald</li> <li>• Seconded by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Lorraine Robinson</li> <li>• All in favor – Motion carried</li> </ul>
	<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Special presentation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None.</li> </ul>
<b>7:10pm</b>	<b>5.</b>	<p><b><u>Community Liaison Reports</u></b></p>
	<b>5.1</b>	<p><b>Member of Parliament Tom Kmeic – rep. by Cole Andrew</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The office is following AB Health Guidelines; no walk-in mtgs. Conversations and meetings via phone or ZOOM</li> <li>• House is session until June 24<sup>th</sup>. Rise for the summer and return on September 24<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>

5.2	<p><b>Minister Tanya Fir – MLA for Calgary Peigan-</b> rep. by Minister Tanya Fir</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Office opened but no walk-in mtgs. Doing phone and ZOOM mtgs.</li> <li>• <b>Calls to the office:</b> COVID restrictions, vaccines, the curriculum. Calls from both extremes. UCP tries its best to find a balance.</li> <li>• With vaccinations going up and hospitalization going down, hoping for some sort of normalcy this coming summer.</li> <li>• <b>Legislature is sitting;</b> MLAs divided into two teams. Virtual voting.</li> <li>• <b>Other information:</b> Fish Creek Provincial Park survey open until <a href="https://your.alberta.ca/fish-creek-trails/survey_tools/master-plan-survey">https://your.alberta.ca/fish-creek-trails/survey_tools/master-plan-survey</a>, Deerfoot Trail Improvements, getting tourism back into Alberta.</li> <li>• Lots of Bills with varying views. Call to share views.</li> </ul>
5.3	<p><b>Ward 9 Councillor Report</b> - Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No representative in attendance; no report.</li> </ul>
5.4	<p><b>Neighborhood Partnership Coordinator</b> – Rob Dickinson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See attached NPC report.</li> <li>• Key items shared: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>City of Calgary COVID Relief Funds:</b> MOCA received Q1 funding; ability to apply for some Q2 funding</li> <li>- <b>Community Art Advisory</b> Group – new art project for Ogden to replace the statues tied with an augmented reality component as project left uncompleted. Working in consultant with Dawn van de Schoot to find a new project. Community members invited to join the Community Art Advisory Group. Present community members: Lorraine Robinson and Lindsay Hill. Call out to be sent out to artists followed by a jury selection process (artist/project). Community engagement will be part of the process.</li> <li>- <b>Pathway along the ridge behind the Lynnview Rd condos:</b> cracking and stability concerns. Consultant doing the investigative work and will prepare a report – Calgary Roads &amp; Calgary Parks are both involved. Tentative pathway closing between June 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> for the boring of two bore holes. Boring required to assist in the assessment of the condition of the slope and determine best plan of action.</li> <li>- <b>Beaverdam Park:</b> Update coming on the work to be done in Beaverdam Flats this fall. <b>Question:</b> will there be community engagement?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
5.5	<p><b>Community Resource Officer Report</b> – Cst John MacKenzie #4449</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homeless campsite has been removed from down the slope off the end of Lynnview Rd along Ogden Road.</li> <li>• Speed limit change from 50 to 40 km for residential streets</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crime stat for April: increase from 10 in March to 16 in April in area of theft of vehicles and thefts from vehicles.</li> </ul>
7:30pm	6.	<b><u>MOCA Directors Reports</u></b>
	6.1	<p><b>Treasurer:</b> Treasurer Pieter van Lindenberg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of fiscal year: end of May. Ended with a small deficit; it has been a difficult period to survive financially</li> <li>• Staff hours have been reduced</li> <li>• Have taken advantage of some of the Federal programs</li> <li>• The Directors past a deficit budget at their May Directors' Mtg so as to have the authority to spend at the beginning of the new June 1st fiscal year. Budget to be modified as we move forward.</li> <li>• As the arena is the primary income source, with its limited operations over the past two years (arena roof and then COVID), revenue has been negatively impacted.</li> <li>• Loss of the summer programs for the second straight summer.</li> <li>• With decrease revenues, MOCA still remains responsible for the operating expenses.</li> </ul>
	6.2	<p><b>SEC Community Resource Centre:</b> Director Lorraine Robinson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Resource Centre is open and continues to follow COVID protocols that have been in place for months. Exceptions: the Crestwood programs and the resource centre clothing room remain closed.</li> <li>• The Centre continues to provide support for families and individuals through a variety of methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Supplied emergency food or gift cards, diapers and formula to 324 clients, children and adults. Each delivery includes a bottle of hand sanitizer and a small supply of masks.</li> <li>- Distributed 4 refurbished laptops and 2 refurbished desk tops to families in need.</li> <li>- Assisted with the completion of 58 resumes and job applications and supported 132 clients to fax, scan and email.</li> <li>- Completed 62 income tax returns.</li> <li>- Applying for a number of grants to ensure the Center is able to continue to provide a variety of services to the community members in need.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Rolling out the Community Tool Shed initiative with the City of Calgary this Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 1pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Individuals will be given seeds, seedlings, garden gloves, trowels, and Miracle Gro to start their own gardens.</li> <li>▪ The City of Calgary is bringing in a 2 - 20-yard garbage bin</li> <li>▪ Blue Grass Nursery is providing garden soil.</li> <li>▪ There will be wheelbarrows and shovels to use for people to take the soil to their homes.</li> <li>▪ Only 10 people will be on the site at a time (for covid protocols).</li> <li>▪ There will also be a gardening expert on site to answer any questions individuals may have!</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working on the renewal of the Resource Centre lease agreement with the City.</li> <li>• A few of the Center staff tested positive for the COVID19 virus. The Center worked closely with AHS to ensure all close contacts were identified and alerted, and with the Work Safety department to review the protocols at the center (they were pleased with the processes we had in place). In an effort to be overly cautious and to stop any potential further spread we closed the center temporarily and had a company come in and do an aerosol spray to disinfect all areas. Additionally, we added additional precautions and ordered a shield for the front desk and a thermometer for checking temperatures.</li> </ul>
6.3	<p><b>Facilities:</b> Director Mat Strangemann (President Rick Smith)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hall: removal of stage etc; putting in two exits. Engineer work being done for the exits and the ramps.</li> <li>• Problem of water in the basement: weeping tiles and storage tank have been installed.</li> </ul>
6.4	<p><b>Civic Affairs:</b> Director Barry Bickford</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vast majority of Development Permits are for basement suites to either legalize, improve or to build basement suites.</li> <li>• A couple applications along Ogden Road: ei U-Haul parking space.</li> <li>• Large green area up on Lynnivew Rd – City identified it as a long grass park. Slated to have the grass cut at the beginning of each month of June, July, August. Lorraine is following up with Councillor Carra’s office as this park was deemed to be an park space with community consultation.</li> <li>• Calgary Herald, Monday, May 31, 2021: Police incidence up for review involving a situation in Ogden with a young 12 yr old black boy. <a href="https://calgaryherald.com/news/local-news/black-youth-says-police-takedown-sowed-fear-of-officers">https://calgaryherald.com/news/local-news/black-youth-says-police-takedown-sowed-fear-of-officers</a></li> </ul>
6.5	<p><b>Proposed Expansion to the Community Hall – President Rick Smith</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The project is progressing although slowly. The engineering report that we were expecting has been received and has been filed with the City for approval and final approval of the Development Permit. We will also need to have the City departments complete both a technical review and a financial review of the project before we can get the final approval from the City. There is other work that can be done in the meantime. And that also is progressing.</li> <li>• Need to start construction by September 21, 2021.</li> </ul>
6.6	<p><b>Status of 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue Underpass</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The timing of this project has yet to be determined by the City.</li> </ul>

	6.7	<p><b>Green Line Preliminary Projects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The timing of these projects has yet to be determined by the City.</li> <li>• Constituents to call Tanya Fir's office to share concerns/opinions. Tanya noted down Rick's comments of the importance of having transportation in place.</li> </ul>
	7.	<p><b>Question &amp; Answer Period</b></p> <p><b>Question for Tanya:</b> Collection of non-market housing on east side of Ogden Road – around 30 structures. Owned by the province and managed by Calhome. They are beyond their life cycle by over 20 years. Can the Province turn this into a series of senior ow houses? <b>Answer from Tanya:</b> forward the information to her office and she will follow-up.</p> <p><b>Question:</b> Status of the Lacrosse Field Park. Confirmation that the lacrosse field park will no longer be built (along Ogden Rd, below Glenmore Inn complex).</p>
7:58 pm	8.	<p><b>Motion to adjourn by Vice President John McDonald</b></p>

**Next MOCA General Meeting – Tuesday September 7, 2021 at 7:00pm**

**Whether the meeting can be held in-person or by zoom video conference is dependent on what restrictions are in place at the time.**