

2025 Annual General Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2025

In attendance : Southland Park Residents (total of 19 households), SPRA Directors: Laurie Forrest, Dave Gowriluk, Jane Drexler, Jason Friesen, Maren Gnall

Guests: MLA Renee Cable

Welcome and Introduction

- Laurie welcomed everyone to the AGM and explained the process of participating, voting and speaking at the AGM.
- Laurie did the Treaty 1 Land Acknowledgement.
- Laurie introduced the current Executive Board.

Approval of Agenda and 2024 AGM Minutes

- Laurie asked to have the Agenda for the meeting approved. Dave put forth the motion, Jason seconded. Agenda was approved unanimously by a show of hands of residents in attendance.
- Laurie asked for approval of Minutes of 2024 AGM. Dave approved, Jason seconded and the motion was passed by a show of hands (voting sticks) of residents in attendance.

Executive's Review

Dave thanked all the volunteers who made these initiatives and events possible.

Dave provided a summary of activities that have taken place since the previous AGM last year. These include:

- the spring community bike rodeo
- the annual community BBQ
- planting and maintenance of flower beds and community planters
- the finalization and continued improvements of the playground
- revitalization of the front sign

- community garage sales
- created and distributed newsletters
- maintenance of the community website and Facebook page.
- Ongoing and regular communication with the City regarding neighbourhood issues (streetlights repaired, garbage removal, grass cutting, playground issues, etc.)

Discussion of Upcoming Initiatives / Community Suggestions

- Looking forward, the community will be getting a new physical community bulletin board that will be installed by the front sign, where we will be able to post updates and coming events.
- The committee is looking for suggestions to water the community planters and garden beds in the summer. We have been looking into the possibility of paying a company to come and water or possibly having rain barrels, however if you have any ideas, please bring them forward.
- The committee is looking into options with the City regarding slowing down traffic in the neighbourhood, including lowering the speed limit in the community, possible calming tables to slow down traffic, etc. Please call 311 to lodge complaints
- Looking at having the City replace some of the benches in the park and the removal of dead trees
- Idea - Lighting for the basketball court, maybe something with a timer on it so it is not on all night.
- Idea – Possibly fencing around the basketball court area, chain link fencing could include hockey nets built into it so that kids could play hockey as well.

Financial Summary

Jason provided a review of the annual costs, association fees, and the budget for the remainder of 2025.

The SPRA received a grant of 15K from the City of Winnipeg to help pay for our events and initiatives.

Laurie moved to approve the budget, Dave seconded the motion. The Financial Report was approved unanimously by a show of hands (voting sticks).

Resolutions

Resolution of No Appointment of Auditor was voted on and passed.

Resolution of By-laws was voted on and passed.

Resolution of community projects was voted on and passed.

Elections

Nomination and elections of SPRA Officers. Laurie explained that it is a 3-year-term with bi-monthly meetings as needed.

Jane nominated Kimberlee Gray. Gord seconded. Passed and accepted.

Dave nominated Paris Fragkoulis. Jane seconded. Passed and accepted.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned and residents were asked to return their voting sticks to the registration table.