

DouglasQuarry Community Association - Annual General Meeting - May 8, 2024

Members in attendance

- Jason Doering
- Robb Myroon
- Heather Davis
- MacNeil Cortez (late - arrived at 7:55 pm)

Approx 45 guests in attendance

Jason - Introductions / Housekeeping

- First in-person meeting since 2019 - thanks all for coming
- Jason, Heather, Robb introduced each other as the current board - Mac will attending late
- Dustin and Sean looking to join the board officially tonight

Call to Order 7:21 pm

Procedural Items - Jason Doering - 7:21pm

- Quorum has been met and meeting is officially called to order
- No civic officials are in attendance
- Overview of agenda - officially adopted for meeting minute purposes

Board Structure - Jason Doering - 7:23 pm

- Executive team - President, VP, Treasurer, Secretary
 - Looking to officially fill the empty positions of President, VP, and Secretary
- Various committees discussed and how each one functions

Q&A period around ELM program - Jason Doering - 7:27 pm

- Overview of ELM while discussing the function of the Maintenance Committee expanded into a Q&A session about the program:
 - Who is making decisions (two different committees with DDMA and DGMA)
 - Timing of the program (runs from spring to fall, and there is no funding for work in the winter)
 - Garbage piles up in the mailbox area (we cannot fix this as it is Canada Post's jurisdiction)
 - Cost of the program and how it is being spent (\$60k from special tax with a \$100k budget total - currently running small deficit)
 - Difference between the DDMA and DGMA revenue (DDMA has 3x the number of households, so it has a much higher revenue base)

- Snow clearing around mailboxes (City jurisdiction)
- Park maintenance (City jurisdiction)

Return to board structure - Jason Doering - 7:40pm

- Call for volunteers - everything is basically volunteer run so if you are looking for improvements in the community, the best way to make that happen is to volunteer
- Rinks are a great example of how only survive with volunteers

Board Members - Jason Doering - 7:44pm

- Robb Myroon moves to nominate Dustin Klatt for the position of President for the DouglasQuarry Community Association. No other nominations are made. Majority votes yes.
- Jason Doering moves to nominate Sean MacDonald for the position of Vice President for the DouglasQuarry Community Association. No other nominations are made. Majority votes yes.
- Jason Doering moves to nominate Chandy Megaw for the position of Secretary for the DouglasQuarry Community Association. No other nominations are made. Majority votes yes.
- Jason Doering moves to nominate Robb Myroon for the position of Treasurer for the DouglasQuarry Community Association. No other nominations are made. Majority votes yes.

Treasurer Report - Robb Myroon - 7:49pm

- Overview of the DQCA financial position including an explanation of the various accounts (restricted and non-restricted)
- Restricted funds - running a current surplus as we haven't had much capital spending
- Non-restricted funds - running a current deficit as we don't bring in enough revenue for our expenses
- Pre-COVID we were pretty flat for revenue vs expense. Now post-COVID we are flat (or slightly declining) revenue with increasing expenses
- Some questions were raised
 - Do we have money to run a deficit (yes, several years of cushion)
 - Timbits soccer fees are very low compared to others (good suggestion and will be considered)
 - Use capital funds for pickleball court (to be considered later in the meeting)
 - Percentage of memberships currently (approx 10% of households)
- Robb Myroon moves to accept the financial statements for the DouglasQuarry

Community Association for the fiscal year ending December 2023 as presented by the Board

- Robb Myroon moves that the DouglasQuarry Community Association appoint an auditor engaged through the Federation of Calgary Communities for the fiscal year ending Decmeber 2024

Year in Review - Jason Doering - 8:02pm

- Covered various items from 2023 - Casino, Timbits soccer, garden, DD and DG rinks, (lack of) events
- Thanked all current and past volunteers that are keeping things going

Infrastructure Committee - MacNeil Cortez - 8:05pm

- Education on some of the jurisdictions / ownership of items (signs, fences, etc)
- Lifecycle assessment was completed in 2021 to help us identify what items we should be focusing on now and in the future
- Items of priority attention:
 - Clainlink fence around DG rink
 - DD Gazebo
 - Deferred plan for rink shack - spending the money instead of the tractor and other repairs
- Some questions were raised
 - Who is responsible for the fense on DD Blvd by the golf course (Golf course is responsible)
 - Long-term responsiblity of some items like fences built by developers (usually there is no long term plan, people sometimes don't even know it's their responsiblity, tennis courts owned by the city, QuarryPark infrastructure owned by Quarrypark HOA)
 - Playground in DG - concerns about clean-up and needles (responsibility of City, Lisa not here to field any questions)

Membership & Communication Committee - MacNeil Cortez - 8:18pm

- Approx 400 members but about half are Timbits
- Looking to improve the value of a membership and increase awareness
- Lacking someone to handle this right now - looking for volunteers
- Question was asked about how to buy a membership - directed to dqca.ca

Events Committee - MacNeil Cortez - 8:20pm

- Casino event in June 2023 - big thanks to the volunteers as the money brought in is extremely large
- No other events with no one organizing

- Audience suggestions to improve amenities for seniors since they are people who are most likely to volunteer and buy memberships (pickleball discussion)
 - A few audience members proposed a sub-committee for pickleball courts
 - Desire to have new facilities instead of re-purposing - need more space than the city has currently given us
 - Suggested to force (encourage?) Remington to use of their space to build a court

Maintenance Program - Heather Davis - 8:32pm

- ELM vote to be taken tonight on the DG ELM - preliminary results of the vote appear to have the program continue
- Some questions were raised:
 - Who is the maintenance company and how were bids/quotes handled (did that in 2023 and signed a 3 year contract with Explosive, the cheapest option)
 - Snow removal (explored in the past, process appears to be changing so this could be an option, cost of snow removal would be a major hurdle but an alternative source of funding can be used, confirmed by rep from the ELM program)
 - Winter lighting in DG (can be explored to bring these back)

2024 Objectives - Jason Doering - 8:43pm

- Not covered in detail as this was already covered in general over the the course of the meeting

Open Floor - Jason Doering - 8:44pm

- Audience strongly opposes the rezoning and requests that the community association formally contact Kountey Penner that the community does not want this
- How often do we connect with civic officials (not very often - they used come to the meetings)

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm

Casino volunteer - Bill - teddy02@shaw.ca (not organize - just be part of it)

Wants to help out - will invite to next meeting - Rohit - sachdevrohit09@gmail.com