

## AREA F NEIGHBORHOODS' ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes for Oct 22, 2024

1. **Council in Attendance:** Miranda, Bill, Glenda, Sandra
2. **Welcome and introductions.** Sandra Poelzer is a new member who is also involved in the Arrowsmith Community Recreation Association (ACRA)
3. **Our name?** Due to low attendance we tabled this topic until the next meeting. We discussed the option of doing an online poll if we set up a private Facebook group..
4. **Organizational structure?** We discussed executive roles as a concept, but agreed that we had too few in attendance, and our association is too new, to place people in the roles. Sandra has offered to be recording secretary in future, when the job comes up. Miranda has offered to be chair, but we all agree that higher attendance is required before roles are established. We added road maintenance/safety and fire access/emergency routes as ideas for the round tables.
5. **Update from Leanne:** Leane has two major concerns that she would like the community to be aware of: the cost of the hospital expansion and the associated tax increase, and the proposed Ravensong upgrades and its associated tax increase. She proposed a letter writing campaign but we decided that the tax implications are so great that we need to encourage her to host a town hall so that everyone can be informed of these issues. More information on this to come.
6. **Brainstorm Mission Statement/Culture** tabled
7. **Other** We discussed the benefits of connecting with other facilities and boards to liaison with us. Sandra suggested connecting with ACRA and potentially using their Non-Profit status to reduce the cost of hall rental, insurance, etc.

**Next meeting:** To be determined based on group availability. We believe that the location of our meeting (Meadowood Community Hall) was partially the reason we had so few attendees, as well as people having to drive in the dark. We chose this location with the hopes of encouraging people from Meadowood to attend, but unfortunately it didn't work. We agreed that Coombs is central for most, and meeting there will yield a higher attendance. Regarding time, is there a better time and day that works for most? Perhaps a Sunday morning or afternoon? Or is Tuesday evening still workable?