

**General Meeting of Members** 

### April 26, 2022

### Held at the Barrie Curling Club

- 1) Alan McKenna called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
- 2) Moment of Silence for members that have passed.
- 3) President's Welcome

Thank you for being here for our first in person meeting in two years

Wow! Did anybody happen to get the plate number of that Covid bus that hit us a couple of years ago? The 2019/2020 curling season saw the Barrie Curling Club experiencing one of its most successful years ever with about 650 members. Then along came Covid to cut our membership in half to 325 members for the 2020/2021 season AND to eliminate 2/3's of the curling season. Enter the 2021/2022 curling season where our membership bumped up by 135 members to 460 and, in spite of Covid entering the club, with our resilient members and thoughtful staff we have been able to pretty much completely finish what might have been another so/so season.

I was very fortunate and privileged to work with Melanie Hughes, our manager and the majority of our present Board Members for the 2020/2021 season while we were deeply entrenched in Covid and then after a 6-month stint as Past President, with Scott Garrett moving on to bigger and better things in his personal life, I was then asked by the Board to complete Scott's term. What could I say...more Covid! Truly, there was no question. To be honest, the answer resides right here with these dedicated Board Members. To say they have been the best any President could ask for would be an understatement. However, it truly has been a team effort with the Board of Directors, Melanie Hughes, Dave McLean our Bar Manager, Tina Swift and Melanie Bruce, bar tenders, and of course, a few of the true heroes of this year, the Ice Tech Crew. What a great job this crew did this season to pull everything together in October and November after a shaky start to give us some of the best ice we could have ever hoped for.

Let's not forget, the reason everybody I've mentioned works so hard is for the people whose club it truly is, you, our members. This <u>is</u> your club! Over the past few years, you have been responsible for turning this building into a true club. You not only come here to curl but through your support prior to and even as we continued through Covid, you have rebuilt the Ice Pad, made the Stu Sells a successful Provincial event, continue to be involved in Bonspiels, and support the numerous evening events we have hosted.

As I complete this slightly extended tenure as President, I want to thank Renee Dadswell, our incoming President (advertising and sponsorship) for keeping an eye on me and keeping me on track, Kyle Kitchen (communications and marketing), the incoming VP for our <u>short</u> 1hour phone conversations...always a pleasure, Donna Cooper, Treasurer Extraordinaire, a real buzz saw with finances, Rob Taylor (Health and Safety), very low key and totally unflappable, Nina Martin, our (Kitchen and Bar) representative who has

kept us eating and drinking over the past 3 years...very important, Norm Speake, (risk management, City of Barrie, and Site Planning...aka Osmington now Digram), for those of us on the Board, Norm is like a father to us, he doesn't say much but when he speaks, we listen! Christine Pearson one of the hardest working Board Members we have as she continues to come up with those Special Events we all like to attend at the club, Keeragh Robertson (membership, communications and mailing lists) who almost single handedly brought the average age of the Board down by 10 years...we need more young and young minded members like Keeragh, Dave Hardwick (Bylaws, Procedures, Strategic Plan, CurlON), and if that's not enough he also coaches our U18 Competitive Ladies Team. Finally, we have Charlie Tardif (Property and Infrastructure), with undoubtedly one of the more difficult portfolios we have at the club. As one of our past board members used to put it, it's a full-time job keeping this old girl of a building going. Charlie only stepped into this position 15 months ago and is still working on getting up to speed...huge job!

I would be remiss if I didn't give a big shout out to TCB and the Shot Rock Shop. Thankfully Jess and Luke have stayed with us in spite of not having had a "normal" curling season since they started three years ago. The BCC is very fortunate to have the great food they provide. Last year we rounded out our curling club with the Shot Rock Shop moving onsite. Sheri has been a great addition to the BCC family. Once again, we are very lucky to have her within the club.

In closing, as I look over the present Board Members who have agreed to reoffer themselves to stay on the Board AND the members who agreed to run to become part of our Board, I feel the Barrie Curling Club's future is now brighter than ever as we put the last few tough years behind us and focus on having YOUR club become a year-round sports facility.

Respectfully submitted. Al McKenna

- Motion to approve Minutes of October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Annual Meeting
  Motion by Dave McLean, seconded by Dorothy Lamers, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.
- 5) Manager's Report

President, Board Directors, BCC members & staff;

It was wonderful to see so many people return to the ice in the fall to enjoy the sport we love here at the Barrie Curling Club. Despite the interruption, it was truly great to see us get to the end of a full season of curling!

We're already planning for a full slate of curling activity next season. Reminder, registration is now OPEN and curling starts the Tuesday after Thanksgiving.

The Board again showed outstanding leadership as we navigated through Covid. It's a pleasure to work with a group of people so committed to providing our members with a safe, enjoyable recreation and social experience.

Thank you to Jessica Dadswell and Luke Marshall of TCB Catering for their outstanding efforts and delicious food; Dave McLean and the bar staff for keeping us all well hydrated; and welcome to the team Sheri and Paul Gilder of Shot Rock Shop. It's been a joy to work with all of you. I know our members will always be well cared for by these professionals.

The Ice Team... what else can I say but, "Thank you!" As you know we started up the newly installed compressors in the fall with a team in place to take care of all our ice-making needs. Unfortunately a key member of that team was not able to continue, and immediately started a scramble to figure out how to even get started, never mind keep going! Our Ice Consultant, Cory McLaughlin, was the consummate calm professional through it all. He took care of our equipment, temperature and humidity management, and came in about once a week for thorough maintenance to make sure we were providing a good surface for our curlers. Mort Cooper got dragged (pretty much willingly) out of retirement to help us get the ice installed, and I don't think he's left yet. We couldn't have gotten through without Mort! I'm not even sure how to articulate the breadth of what he's done for us this season. Liam Claveau and Montana Crosby joined the team this year and are the best ice helpers we could have asked for. Herman Overdijk returned to the team this season to handle as much of the workload as he could. Al McKenna, Dave Horie, Norm Speake and myself rounded out the team. A bit of a motley crew but, again, always working on doing their best, and by always I mean the WhatsApp chat was alive at all hours of the day and night.

Going ahead, my focus now switches to increasing off-season activity. As you will have heard by the time this report is presented, we will have pickleball courts in the rink area this summer, starting in May. We will also see the return of Cornhole to the BCC, plus a number of other events between now and when we start the compressors again, using pretty much every square inch of the club!

COVID has brought our organization many challenges; it is my hope that as a club we can come out of the pandemic in an even stronger position than when it began.

Thanks, and have a great summer!

Respectfully submitted,

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**Melanie Hughes** 

Manager

6) League reports

Men's Section - no report

Women's Section (Renee Dadswell)

- Thanks to Al McKenna for taking on a second year as President when Scott Garrett departed
- Leagues on Tuesday at 9am, Women's CYO at 6pm, Wednesday at 6pm; also Thurs at 5:15 formerly "business women's" but not as well attended so did not maximize ice time;
- Changed to jitney style then doubles made for better utilization of time;
- Changing in 22-23 to a beginner's CYO league; look for that when registering, need experience players to fill out the league and assist new players;
- Snowbird Bonspiel ran successfully as a one-day event with 10 teams, theme "A Night at the Theatre"
- Looking forward to a full complement as we return in the fall

Mixed Section - no report

Senior Section – Bill Brown

- Thanks to President, Board and Manager, Ice Technician, Jessica, Dave, etc., keeping us fed and hydrated and getting us through a difficult year;
- Thanks to the convenors;

- Ray Martinelli looks after Senior CYO league on Mondays, hoping to return to 16 teams next season;
- Susan Stanbury runs Mon/Wed Senior Mixed sponsored by Amica (not this year, had enough in reserve);
- Wayne Jennings sponsors Tues/Thurs sponsored by Marshall Insurance;
- Once a month host Simcoe Super Seniors Barrie, Stroud, Bradford running for 46 years. Run by Nelson Jordan assisted by Bill Brown;
- No Harry Armstrong Bonspiel this season. Sponsored by Marshall Insurance. March 4, 2020 was the last one, had 120 people here for the day; thanks and missing Bob Smith, draw master. Thanks to Al McKenna for doing this for 2020 without a hitch.

### Youth Program

Once again, this season our Youth Program was a slightly scaled down version of what we have enjoyed in past years. Covid has hit the Youth Program particularly hard with most of our Little Rock Coaches stepping back from the program. Much of this was initially due to Government concerns and protocols as we worked our way through Covid plus the Little Rock Program is one that requires a higher ratio of coach/curler participation due to the age of the participants.

That being said, our Intermediate and Junior attendance this year remained quite strong with 37 curlers including our Women's and Men's competitive teams. Once again, our coaches were somewhat limited in numbers but thanks to Jason Kinnear, Rick Parkinson, Mark Lee and Gayle McKenna who coached the majority of the Youth Curlers plus Rob Abrams (Men's coach) and Dave Hardwick (Women's coach) who were dedicated to the competitive teams.

As our club membership numbers increase next season, we do anticipate our Youth Program registrations will follow suit.

7) Committee Reports

**Committee Reports** 

### **Ice Quality**

As the curling season draws to a close, the Ice Tech Team has had a bit of time to reflect on our accomplishments and achievements since September 2021. We know what we did well and, more importantly, what we could have done better. To give credit where credit is due, a round of applause goes to Melanie for having the foresight to come up with a vision of an "Ice Tech <u>Team</u>" as opposed to a single person contracted or hired to perform these duties. This obviously precluded us from putting all our 'eggs in one basket' this season which, as we saw at the beginning of the season, could have meant a devastating beginning.

Then, of course, there's Mort! Where would we be without Mort Cooper this season? Well, it might not have been pretty. When everything "hit the fan" at the start of the season, Mort donned his S.I.T. cape (Super Ice Tech) to swoop in and rescue us from what surely could have been a disastrous start to the season. Throw in some Herman, Liam and Montana along with a few volunteers scattered here and there and...voila, here we are...we made it to the end in spite of adding two more weeks onto our curling season for good measures. Was our ice perfect, probably not but apparently you can't even get perfect ice at the Men's Worlds in Las Vegas. However, we do feel for the most part and by all indications, we did have some pretty good ice to curl on this season. Having had a few discussions with Mort, he has already started planning for next year (like two months ago!) but by the sounds of things, next year will be similar to this year...only better prepared and planned for.

Thanks to all who have pitched in and helped with the ice this year. Hopefully I don't miss anyone here but there was Cory McLaughlin Head Ice Tech, Mort Cooper S.I.T., Herman Overdijk Ice Tech, Melanie Hughes Manager and Ice Tech, Liam Claveau Youth Curler and Ice Tech, Montana Crosby Youth Curler and Ice Tech, Dave Horie Volunteer Ice Tech, Donna Cooper (S.T. Super Treasurer) and Volunteer Ice Tech, Norm

Speake Volunteer Ice Tech, and Jeff Flanagan Volunteer Ice Tech. I know there were a few others scattered throughout the year that helped with everything from Ice Installation up to the end. Thank you to everyone. Our people are our greatest asset!!

### **Curl for Life**

Unfortunately, Curl for Life did not receive the attention it deserved this year but hopefully will be bumped given more attention in the coming season.

Nothing more to report.

Respectfully submitted,

# Al McKenna

Property & Infrastructure (Charlie Tardif)

- Biggest highlight is the compressor project. Owe a great debt of gratitude to Haus for the initial purchase (very affordable);
- Capital planning and such continues roof, mechanical room, the parking lot will be replaced in the redevelopment plan, will not be getting patches done professionally;

Advertising & Sponsorship (Renee Dadswell)

Mr. President, Board Members and Members of the Barrie Curling Club:

As mentioned in the fall meeting, these past two years has been difficult for the Advertisers and Sponsors at the Barrie Curling Club, with the uncertainty of whether or not curling would continue to happen. Now that we have come through the most difficult part of the pandemic, we are looking forward to a renewed interest in advertising at the BCC.

Invoicing will be going out in May for companies advertising, with payments to be made by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, in order to have the ads go into the ice. We ask all of our members to see who supports our club, and if you are needing any service, look at our walls, and in the sheets of ice, and consider supporting those businesses who support us. Without them, our fees would be higher and it would be more difficult to provide the great environment we have at our club.

This past month we added BCC Swag to our advertising efforts. Not only has this proven to be very successful in terms of sales, we are not able to quantify the results of having more than 150 people out in the public advertising the Barrie Curling Club on their clothing. This is felt to have a greater benefit than the money made in the sales of the items.

We continue to look for a "name sponsor" for our building, and are hoping to have something solidified, with a new lead, by the end of 2022.

As always, if you know of anyone who is interested in advertising at the club, please have them reach out to me.

Respectfully submitted: Renee Dadswell Advertising/Sponsorship 705-794-3589 Finance (Donna Cooper)



It was a pleasure to see curling at the club begin to return to normal. The membership for the 2021/22 season was 429 which is approximately 2/3 of the prepandemic levels. The club was in a provincial lockdown due to Covid during the month of January. The board decided to extend the curling season by two weeks to help offset the time lost during the lockdown.

This year the club hosted several special events such as: trivia nights, rock & roll bingo and musical guests. A big thank you goes to Christine Pearson & her team for co-ordinating these events. They have been very successful events and have provided a new revenue stream for the club. This will lead the club to being more than a seasonal operation.

It was wonderful to see the return of bonspiels at the club. The bonspiels generated approximately \$11,000 of revenue for the club.

# Grants & Funding - \$57,065

The club has applied for and received approximately \$37,000 this fiscal year to date, from the CEWS program (Canada Employment Wage Subsidy) from the federal government. The wage subsidy program will be in place until May 7/22.

The club has also applied for and been approved to receive 2 grants from the Ontario government. The first grant is the Small Business Relief Grant for \$10,000. The second grant is the Energy Cost Rebate Grant for \$10,065 to help cover utilities costs.

The club has received donations through the NSTF (National Sport Trust Fund) of approximately \$6,400 this fiscal year. I would like to thank the members for their generous donations. CurION has advised the member clubs that the government of Ontario will be investing \$517,827 directly to the sport of curling. These funds will be distributed to the member clubs in good standing that apply for the grant. The amount of the grant awarded will be based on the number of sheets of ice that a club has. We have applied for this grant and estimate that the club could receive a grant of approximately \$3,600. CurION indicates that the payments for this grant will be processed by the end of May.

The City of Barrie has approved \$300,000 in funding for recreation and sport grant. I have submitted the grant application for funding of \$140,000 to replace ¾ of the roof over the rink and the flat roof. ¼ of the roof over the rink was replaced in 2019. Full cost of the project is estimated to by approximately \$170,000.

We are approaching our fiscal year end of April 30, 2022. Thanks to the grants the club has received and the generous donations from our members, the financial losses have been avoided. We project that the final audited figures will be approximately \$25,000 profit.

# Debts:

The Meridian ice pad loan balance is approximately \$88,000. The loan period ends October 2024.

Cash: Currently, we have a GIC of \$125,000 (current value: \$132,831) which matures December 2022. We have cash balances totalling \$311,000. This provides us with a financial cushion against our loans with Meridian (\$88,000) and the federal government (\$40,000), and allows the club to undertake the necessary capital expenditures.

### Capital Projects - \$97,645

system were installed. Training equipment was installed on sheet one. The training equipment allows a curler to record, review and analyze their delivery. A new fryer was installed in the kitchen.

Thank you to the members for your continued support of the curling club. I wish you a safe and happy summer and look forward to welcoming everyone back to the club in the fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Cooper Treasurer

Peter Broeren – thank you for all your efforts, great to see the club in such good financial shape, not the bad news he was anticipating;

Membership was 650 at its height a couple years ago, this year 429, lost about 150 members – we're working on it!

Proposed Capital Projects for the 2022/23 Fiscal Year

The board of directors view their primary duty is to act responsibly and take actions to ensure that the Barrie Curling Club thrives and is able to continue to offer curling for its members and guests.

The board of directors is accountable to the membership and does its best to take actions that align with the preferences of the members.

To that end, if the club does not have a sound building or equipment, it would not be possible to enjoy curling. There were several examples this past season of clubs unable to operate because of equipment failure.

### **Recent capital expenditures:**

2019/20 fiscal year – This was the year of the ice pad project as well as renovations in the lounge. Capital expenditures for the year were: \$255,000.

2020/21 fiscal year – This was the first year affected by the pandemic. Because of the pandemic, the board decided not to undertake any capital projects in the year.

2021/22 fiscal year – The two compressors were replaced. A couple minor projects were also undertaken. Capital expenditures for the year were: \$97,650.

#### What is our process?

A comprehensive spreadsheet was designed 3 years ago. It is referred to as the 'CapEx' spreadsheet. This massive spreadsheet lists each of the capital assets, the year it was installed, the estimated life span of the asset, the expected year of replacement and the estimated cost in 2019. The spreadsheet uses a 2% inflation rate to determine the possible replacement cost in a future year. The spreadsheet projects the anticipated capital expenditures up to the 2075/76 season. In rough terms there is an average of \$70,000 in capital expenditures required each year.

**First**, the spreadsheet was updated with the actual expenditures for the 3 prior fiscal years. Then the executive met to review the spreadsheet. We looked at the list of assets due to be replaced by 2027. We considered the assets which we know are in desperate need of replacement. We then selected the assets to be replaced and allocated the project to upcoming fiscal years.

**Second**, an analysis of our current financial position was conducted. The analysis detailed all the current cash and investments as well as the known debts or restrictions on these funds. The analysis also includes a minimum balance in the operating account to be maintained at \$100,000.

Third, the above information was presented to the full board of directors for discussion and approval.

# Proposed Capital Expenditures for the 2022/23 fiscal year:

The two brine pumps need to be replaced. James McNabb has been instrumental in assisting the club to undertake this project at a minimum cost. It is anticipated that this project will cost approximately \$30,000.

The boiler in the basement needs to be replaced. The anticipated cost of this project is approximately \$11,000. In 2019, one quarter of the roof over the rink was replaced. The remaining ¾ need to be replaced. This will be done over three years. The anticipated cost this year will be approximately \$37,000. We have applied to the City of Barrie for a grant to assist with this project. If the club is successful in the grant request, we may be able to complete the full roof project all at once.

The cameras over the houses at the away end of the rink and the monitors up in the lounge are due to be replaced. The anticipated cost of this project is approximately \$21,250. The youth program and the Friday night mixed section have offered to contribute funds towards this project.

The treads on the stairs leading to the men's locker room need to be replaced. The anticipated cost of this project is approximately \$1,600.

The men's washroom off the lounge is in need of an exhaust fan. The anticipated cost of this project is approximately \$5,100.

Two new measuring sticks will cost approximately \$1,600 and new hacks will cost approximately \$1,300. The spreadsheet also includes a provision for unexpected capital expenditures in the amount of \$5,300. The total proposed capital expenditures for the 2022/23 fiscal year is: \$114,000.

# Where do we go from here?

The board has decided to proceed with the proposed capital projects. In accordance with the club policy, we will be putting a tender for quotes on the roof project. Once the quotes are obtained, the final decision regarding whether to proceed will be made.

Thank you to the members for your continued support of the curling club. I wish you a safe and happy summer and look forward to welcoming everyone back to the club in the fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Cooper Treasurer

Question: Bill Brown

- Still a loan with Meridian, \$88K, why a loan and a cash reserve?
- When we got the funding in 2019, decided to get a loan to spread out the cost rather than make the club cash poor; Let us keep the GIC;
- Why not pay off the loan? Still a line of credit? LOC limit is low (\$25K);
- Jeff was on the board when they got the loan. Finance long term assets with long term debts. Proved to be a great decision as kept us from spending \$225K at the time (no cash reserves on hand);
- Peter Lamers roof getting done this year? Sending out for tender. Get quotation for labour only and see if you can source the steel elsewhere. Pay for the steel at a good price and get the contractor to do the labour if the contractor is okay with it.
- Sandy Starr this is fabulous! Can we make this more accessible to the members? The Capex is an internal document and members are welcome to ask for more info;
- David James don't want contractors to know what everything is projected to be worth;
- Thanks to Haus for formulating the spreadsheet in the first place, took many hours to initially put together.

Year end report for kitchen bar and Lottery Licences.

The 2021 - 2022 Year was an up-and-down year for us all. Thankfully we ended on a positive note for sure. Jess and Luke, Dave Tina and Melanie keep the bar and the kitchen running smoothly.

Hopefully next year we will be able to have a full year of Curling with a full membership. We were able to use some of the funds raised from the lottery fund too augment our audio visual aids for the Rink.

If anyone has any concerns or suggestions regarding the bar kitchen or lottery funds please contact me.

Respectfully submitted by Nina Martin

Year End Report 2022 Barrie Curling Club **Event Committee & Volunteers** 

Hello everyone,

We have another year in the books and what a year! We opened the year with a Doubles Bonspiel, and we are ending with a Live Entertainment Night with Dylan Lock, a local up-and-coming artist from Collingwood. The Event Committee was successful in what we set out to do, which was to bring everyone together, not only for curling but other activities as well. We wanted to introduce people not familiar with the Barrie Curling Club to our facility, with the intention of growing the business and increasing profits that can be turned back into the Club. Our success was derived from the introduction of Trivia Nights and Rock and Roll Bingo and continued with Our Family and Friends Bonspiel and the Turkey Bonspiel. We introduced the "draw to the pin for \$250.00" and of course, everyone signed up. Let's not forget the Wine Bonspiel where half of the participants went home with wine. Our Beef and Beer Fund Raising Bonspiel saw a record year, with all money going back into the Club. This bonspiel is one of our biggest fundraising events and I wanted to thank all of you that have supported it and continue to do so: the event team that works all year round to build on it, and all of the sponsors who give so very generously. Thank You!

Looking to the next season, we would like to build on what we have started by adding more events to the curriculum. There are plenty of ideas that we would like to implement but, before we do so, we would like to hear from you, the members. Do you have an idea that you think should be introduced? Please feel free to reach out to me. As we continue to grow the events, so does the need for volunteers. This is your Club, and we cannot do it without you.

Respectfully submitted,

**Christine Pearson** 

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Communications, Membership, Mailing Lists

First, let me start by sending my regrets for not being in attendance tonight.

Second, I am pleased to say our membership has increased

**Rob Taylor** 

In chage of H&S and League for 5 years

Lots more helmets being worn, which is good

Still see slips and falls; reminder that grippers wear out. Will do an initiative next season. Talk about gripper maintenance

Leagues - lots of experimenting and how to best utilize the ice time

Contact Rob if any questions

# **Dave Hardwick**

Strategic planning - carry on through Covid with many changes to day to day operations; forward planning on hold

Policies and procedure changes were due to Covid restrictions of the day, carefully discussed among the Board and following CurlON, SMDHU and government guidance

CurlON rep – A couple teams represented the BCC outside the club at CurlON events. Team Balchen at Club Curling Championships plus Team O'Keefe (Women's U18) qualified for provincials and OWG, U21 Men's team Dobson at 2021 and 2022 U21 Men's Curling Championships. Also a U15 team at the U15 Challenge Cup in Grimsby. Encourage anybody interested in playing outside the club to contact Dave to let them know about opportunities outside the club; there are lots!

8) Special Presentation: update on current site plans for the lands surrounding the BCC

Norm Speake – Osmington / City of Barrie

Landlord interested in developing the property surrounding the curling club. Been dealing with the landlord for several years. Pretty low key until recently.

End of last year Osmington sold the property to a company called Digram – developer out of Woodbridge/Vaughan, smaller organization.

Digram has greater urgency in working on the development. They stayed with the same planner that Osmington had and are building upon the site plan/design.

Have met with Digram and SGS their planners and have moved the situation to better than it had been with Osmington who generally ignored the club's requests.

Have 150 year lease. Applies to ground the club is sitting on; the rest is "slam dunk" except for a clause that allows the landlord to change the parking lot configureation if they get agreement from the club (if not, goes to arbitration).

Wishes: 150 usable parking spaces and no significant degradation to what we have now.

[Showing plan on the TV]

Dotted line shows leased property as it stands and what we have been offered.

Club will be affected in that Essa Road will be expanded and we will no longer have entrance off Essa Road (once approved by the City);

Entrance will be off Street C via Anne Street;

Restrictions: No expansion toward Essa Road; or because of Street C proximity to Anne Street

Looking at putting a LTC or retirement home in the subdivision

150 usable parking spaces and fully developed property (paved, gates, drainage, looks attractive). Will appear smaller than what we have as we've had use of land that is not contained in the lease.

Don't quite have 150 spaces yet because snow will have to be piled somewhere.

Snow will come off the roof; it comes off all of a sudden and parking cannot be too close to the building;

End result will be parking spaces, snow removal plan, land deeded to the club.

Leverage:

City of Barrie is in support and will be satisfied when the club is satisfied;

Appears Digram is in a hurry.

Brad Habbershaw – How is parking going to be controlled on the site? Gated or what?

Norm: Unknown. Gates cost money, break, etc.

Peter Broeren – Not that huge a problem; Would the club own the property if it's deeded to us?

Norm – Not yet addressed with Digram; Osmington offered to deed it over for nothing.

PB – Will there be municipal taxes?

Norm – No taxes levied as of yet. No plans from the City (as of this point in time) to apply tax. There is a clause in the lease that enables a purchase of \$20K. Taxes would have likely been passed along in the lease payments.

Ed Skinner – Lease states if the property is assessed for taxes that the club can purchase for \$20K plus \$1. Parking lot increases by cost of living.

Document referred to in other lease related documents is missing from 2008. Ed will see what he's got.

Sandy Starr – back to the footprint. Parking spaces at the back. Not well lit at this time, potentially unsafe.

Norm – will raise this; thank you

Bill Brown – thanks for all your work to this point; first heard of owning the property; may be putting the club at the mercy of the city re: property tax.

Norm – strongly believe the club will end up paying tax if leasing or owned; expense passed along either way.

Ed – possibly leverage because of NPO status as far as taxes are concerned

Steve Marion – assume you don't want to go to arbitration, and how much would it cost?

Norm – would probably prefer not to go to arbitration. Cost similar to lawyer, need to get the best one. Will likely hire one anyway; won't be cheap. Have avoided lawyers to this point but may soon need to spend some money for this.

Alex - Parking at the back, do we need to walk around? Pretty undesirable especially in winter conditions.

Discussion: Mostly special events, not often needed for day to day use. 56 curlers per draw, max day to day use is 112 for draw changes.

Alex – how many of the spots are behind the building?

Janet – Have to have parking at the back because Street C is coming in where the City and MTO want it, it's squishing all parking to the west (closer to the building). Need access and parking all around the building.

Next step will be site plan approval – City needs to approve the plan. Also includes things like lighting, new pavement, pedestrian access, sidewalks, etc. This will be for Digram to pay for because they are redistributing. Although we may not always need the back parking spaces, the City will require that.

They will be lighted, surfaced, landscaped, etc.

Norm – possibilities of expansion are quite limited.

Paul Monahan - Is there an exit from subdivision onto Anne Street? Yes

Mort Cooper – emergency vehicle access? Dotted red lines on the design. Will have to loop around the building. Concerns about drop off area, access for emergency and maintenance vehicles, etc.

Janet – this is not the final version. Have asked the City to provide comment. Team still has concerns about the plan. This is from Digram; club is in a position to provide comment.

PB - is there easy access for emergency vehicles?

Norm – there are rules for this

Dorothy Lamers – what's the time frame?

Norm – Unknown at this point. Probably will not get through the City in 2022; likely 2023 before anything happens. Need to sort out sequencing, aesthetics, etc.

BB – New façade was discussed with Osmington at the beginning. Has that been included?

Norm – First sort out the footprint; then need to get it through the membership

Peter Lamers – 4 years ago discussed moving the plant from the basement to the outside. Extra caps and valves on both ends of the headers in case the plant has to be moved outside / above grade. Need to include that in the plan as well.

Norm – How big a footprint? Same size as downstairs compressor room. Will take up some parking spots.

Al – TSSA has approved the plant room, would like to make what we have work. We did a number of upgrades with the compressor project.

John - tell us what area would be needed and we'll sort out the best place for it.

9) Questions from the floor

Sandy Starr – About the ice, what is the plan for next season?

Kathleen Marion – Is BCC part of the city's profile? There is a profile they give when recruiting people and businesses to Barrie.

Dave McLean – No buzzer at the front door.

Put it in the budget as regular maintenance (safety issue).

10) Election of Directors

Scrutineers will be Kathy Parliament and Cathy Baetz. This will occur on Thursday.

Renee Dadswell summarized positions and terms

Every year 1/3 to be replaced

5 openings; 4 for 3-year term, 1 for 1-year term to replace Scott Garrett

Janet Foster

Scott Loughran

Nina Martin

**Christine Pearson** 

Charlie Tardif

Nominations from the floor - open the floor

John Foster moves that nominations be closed. Seconded by Peter Broeren. Motion carried.

5 positions and 5 people running; all will go to the Board. Still need ballots completed. Person with fewest votes will have 1-year term.

No nominations from the floor

Ballots handed out

Online voting to begin after the meeting; will close tomorrow at midnight.

Scrutinized Thursday 10am

Candidates in attendance spoke: Janet Foster, Christine Pearson, Charlie Tardif

- 11) Motion to destroy ballots ballots to be deleted or destroyed May 4, 2022
- 12) Motion to adjourn

Motion by Bill Brown that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Peter Lamers. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 pm.