

Springside Recreation Association General Board Meeting

Date: January 13, 2026

Location: Springside Ridge Runner Arena

Board Members Present: Kathy Novak, Bob Steffenson, David Sutter, Jessie Banks, Mike Biblow, Chuck Allary, Jamie Breitreuz, Al Langley

Board Member Regrets: NIL

Quorum YES

General Members present: Dana Betz representing the Springside Trail Club

Call to Order: 6:57 pm

Minutes:

2026-01 Jessie Banks/Jamie Breitreuz

That the Minutes of the November 18, 2025, Annual General Meeting be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

2026-02 Jamie Breitreuz/Chuck Allary

That the Minutes of the November 18, 2025 Regular General Board Meeting be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Financial Update as of December 31, 2025:

General:	\$12,536.60
Nevada Tickets:	-\$57.75
Raffle:	\$4,930.05
Bingo:	\$7,873.43

2026-03 David Sutter/Jamie Breitreuz

That the Financial Update be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

2026-04 Jamie Breitreuz/David Sutter

That Chuck Allary be reimbursed \$105.26 for refreshments served at the New Year's Eve skate and that this amount should be paid from the General Account.

CARRIED

Chuck Allary abstained from voting.

2026-05 Jessie Banks/Jamie Breitreuz

That the SRA agrees to transfer \$1,000.00 from the Bingo Account to the Nevada Ticket Account to cover the overdraft caused by the purchase of cheques and to prepare for Nevada Ticket payouts in 2026.

CARRIED

Correspondence:

RM of Good Lake – Appointment of Robert Steffenson

RM of Orkney – Declining Request for Board Member

Cornerstone Credit Union - \$5000 Donation from Project Cornerstone

Updates from Community Groups:

Trail Club: David provided a written report for the Trail Club – attached to and forming part of these minutes. The trail club held a general meeting on January 12, 2026 with eight (8) people attending. Dana Betz will be the secretary and will continue to represent the Trail Club at the SRA meetings.

Funding Requests: **NIL**

Discussion Item: Ridge Runner Arena Update

- Mike provided an update on the ice preparations for the 2025-2026 season.
- The whole time the Mike was building the ice, the water heater was not working properly which meant someone had to sit with the water heater to reset it so that the Zamboni could be filled.
- RANT was finally able to complete the repairs so that has improved the ice maintenance conditions!
- Unfortunately, the Rink Caretaker/Ice Manager that the Town of Springside hired, Murray Milbrandt did not work out in the position.
- Mike Biblow, Al Langley and Peggy Dyck have stepped up and will take care of those duties for this season.
- Mike also reported that 60 people were in attendance for the New Year's Eve Skate and it helped him to feel that all the hard work was worth it to see that many kids out enjoying the ice.
- The free/public skating times have also seem 20 kids/day.
- Unfortunately, those times had to be cancelled for January 14 - 16 due to the warmer temperatures and afternoon/evening activities were cancelled on January 15, 2026, due to the power outage.

Discussion Item: February 7, 2026

- Board members still felt that this was a good project and decided to proceed. Kathy is to hold off on proceeding with any advertising until she hears back from Mike.
- Chuck will volunteer to take care of the food – hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, pop, hot chocolate.
- Mike will talk to the snowmobile club.
- We are planning at afternoon event. Advertise for noon till 4:00 pm but if people want to stay later, we will try to accommodate.

Discussion Item: January Jingle Raffle

- Kathy reported that total of 831 tickets were sold, bringing in \$16,620. Once the payouts have been completed (\$9,400) the revenue will be \$7,220.00 plus the 25% kickback we get from SaskLotteries, so we should end up with around \$9,000.
- Kathy and Dana have been doing the daily raffle draws at the Town Office. Dana works Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday so the office needs volunteers for Wednesdays and the weekends.
- Thank you to all the community groups that also took tickets to sell!
- Thank you to Dana, Chuck and Debbie Banks for spending multiple days sitting at the Superstore, Canadian Tire and Home Hardware selling tickets!
- Dana and Chuck advised that having a square so we could accept debit purchased at these venues would be beneficial for next year.

Discussion Item: Suggestions re Representatives from Community Groups

- Kathy received a suggestion from previous SRA Chairperson, Debbie Banks that may improve the attendance at general meetings from community groups and their subsequent participation in SRA fundraising efforts.
- Debbie suggested that we make it mandatory that if a group is receiving funding from the SRA, they must have a representative attend the SRA Meetings. Additionally, she suggested that each group must have their own representative rather than one person representing multiple community groups.

- Board Members agreed that we do need to seriously look at re-writing the bylaw to provide for some type of member at large rotation, rotation of executive after their terms as well as other items.
- Mike suggested that we don't actually "fund" the community groups. They come to the SRA for donations therefore trying to force meeting attendance onto volunteers that are already spread to thin may not be our best plan for increased assistance with fundraising efforts, etc.
- Dave suggested a "communication campaign" versus force.
- Kathy will invite all community groups to attend our next meeting and encourage them to send a representative to provide updates on their group to the SRA.

Discussion Item: Fundraising Ideas

- The side of the roof that has been sheeted and shingled as well as the lights look great in the rink.
- We still need to fundraise for shingling the other side of the roof and purchasing a new scoreboard and a new Zamboni.
- Board Members are currently feeling a little overwhelmed, so this is tabled until next meeting.

Next Meeting: March 10, 2026

Adjournment:

2026-06

Jessie Banks

That this meeting be adjourned at 8:09 pm

Springside Trail Club

SRA Report January 2026

Trails

- Railway loop – 2.4 km
- Ebenezer grid link loop – 3.9 km
- Sasquatch road loop – 3.21 km
 - Total Cross Country Ski trails loops groomed – 9.5 km
- Groomed two times, ideally it should be groomed every week or after a snow event
- Additionally, broke a 3.2 km snowshoeing trail loop between Sasquatch road (Range road 2060) and Range Road 2055 along Township road allowance 272.

Usage

- Between 15-20 people have reported to use the trail
- Minor damage from snowmobiles

Volunteers

- Trail preparation
 - Trail clean up by removing debris
 - ~~Conkle~~ ran over the trail with brush cutter (did not send a bill)
 - Using a tracked quad to pull groomer – so far only have access to one vehicle, looking for more.
- General Meeting
 - Held a general meeting January 12 2026 at the rink lobby. (8 ppl attended)
 - Established executive (except President) *rotating chair*
 - Will concentrate on communication about the trails for now.
 - Planning will be at future meetings