



**EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION
DRAFT
MEETING MINUTES**

**September 12, 2022
7:00 PM
Online via Google Meet**

1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Daniela O'Callaghan, at 7:00 pm., Monday, September 12, 2022.

It was acknowledged that the Edmonton Combative Sports Commission meets on the traditional territories of the indigenous peoples of the Treaty 6 region and the lands of the Métis are represented by the Métis Nation of Alberta. The Chair acknowledged that we respect the histories, language and cultures of First Nations, Métis and Inuit, and all First Peoples of Canada whose presence continues to enrich our community.

2. Roll Call, Recording of Attendance

Present: Chair Daniela O'Callaghan, Vice-Chair Trevor Kelly
Commission Members: Kevin Malahy, Tye Babb,
Nateram Seecharan, Sandy Bugeja
Executive Director, Forrest Gavins
Recorder, Tracey Poberznick

Absent with Regrets: Graham Smith

3. Call for Requests to Speak from the Public

There were no requests to speak from the public.

4. Adopt Agenda

MOVED: That the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

5. Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings

MOVED: That the August 8, 2022, minutes be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

MOVED: That the September 1, 2022, Special Meeting minutes be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

6. Roles and Responsibilities

T. Babb provided an update on the changes to the Roles and Responsibilities document. There was a request to add responsibilities for the Chair including organizing and scheduling a retreat to focus on strategic planning.

MOVED: To approve the Roles and Responsibilities document as a guideline for this and future commissions. CARRIED

Roles and Responsibilities will be posted on the ECSC web page.

7. Approve Draft Response to the Event Pause and Updated Statement for the Website

The City of Edmonton sent a letter to the Commission on August 5, 2022, advising them that a pause has been placed on combative sports events for a 9-month period.

MOVED: That the Commission's response to the City of Edmonton be adopted, signed off by the Chair on behalf of the Commission and sent to Mr. Jones, with copies to the Executive Director and Community Services Deputy City Manager's office. CARRIED

MOVED: That the Commission adopt the revised message regarding the pause on combative sports applications and requests that City Administration replace the current messaging on the website. CARRIED

The Executive Director will vet the revised messaging through Communications.

8. Updating the Commission's 2022-2023/2023-2024 Work Plan

The Commission will focus on creating an updated policy review process for the remainder of the year to be responsive to the City's August 5, 2022 letter. Other tasks have been shifted in order to get the work done within realistic timelines. The Commission accepted the proposed scheduling changes.

Now that the stakeholder engagement has been completed, Regulations 1, 3 and 8 will be reviewed with G. Smith at the next meeting to determine if changes are required.

MOVED: To adopt the updated 2022-2023/2023-2024 annual Work Plan as circulated.

The Chair will provide progress reports to the Commission and update the Plan as needed.

9. Policy Review

Included in the Chair's report.

10. Chair's Report

The Chair, Vice Chair and Executive Director will hold their first monthly meeting on September 13, 2022. They will discuss what has been going on in the combative sports community, inquiries, and how to move forward on policy review.

The Commission has put together a policy working group. In accordance with the new Work Plan, the working group is looking at completing a review of Policy 5 as indicated in the August 5, 2022 letter. The policy can be reviewed by the Commission in consultation with the Executive Director.

The Commission will vote for a new Chair and Vice Chair in November with positions starting in January of 2023. Commission members can contact D. O'Callaghan to express their interest.

MOVED: To receive the Chair's verbal report as presented.

CARRIED

11. Executive Director Report

The City's webpage has been updated with the new Executive Director's information.

F. Gavins will confirm how much the Commission approved for stakeholder engagement and how much has been paid to date.

The Executive Director met with Law and Administration to discuss a plan for the report going forward to City Council.

MOVED: That the written report from the Executive Director be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

12. Financial Statements – June 30 & July 31, 2022

F. Gavins will reach out to H. Morrison, Manager of Civic Agency Governance, about funding for honoraria.

MOVED: That the June 30 and July 31, 2022, Financial Statements be approved as presented. CARRIED

13. Next Meeting - October 17, 2022

The Commission discussed having an in-person social gathering in lieu of the December meeting. D. O’Callaghan will send the Commission a poll in November to determine the date.

The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on October 17, 2022, at 7:00 pm.

14. Adjournment

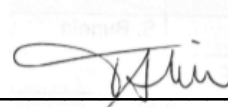
MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on September 12, 2022.

Daniela O’Callaghan

October 18, 2022



Daniela O’Callaghan, Chair

Date

Tracey Poberznick, Recorder