



**EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION  
FINAL  
MEETING MINUTES**

**June 12, 2023  
7:00 PM  
Online via Google Meet**

**1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement**

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair, Tye Babb, at 7:04 pm., Monday, June 12, 2023.

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 Métis settlement in the Métis Nation of Alberta in regions 2, 3 and 4. 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 Trevor Kelly, Vice-Chair Tye Babb  
Commission Members: Nateram Seecharan  
Brandy Badry, Andrew Soto, Rashi Khullar  
Executive Director, Forrest Gavins  
Recorder, Tracey Poberznick

**Absent with Regrets:** Kevin Malahy

**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 presented.

CARRIED

## **5. Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings**

MOVED: That the May 8, 2023, minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

## **6. Amendments to Regulation 8**

The Commission discussed the frequency of MRIs and CT scans.

MOVED: That Section 8a of Regulation 8 includes a time limit of two years to provide updated MRIs or CT scans.

CARRIED

## **7. 2023 ABC Conference**

T. Kelly, T. Babb and B. Badry expressed their interest in attending the ABC Conference from August 1 to 3, 2023. Anyone else that is interested in attending can email T. Kelly and T. Poberznick so attendance can be confirmed. Attendees will make their own arrangements and submit receipts to the City for reimbursement.

## **8. ECSC Annual Work Plan**

The Chair reviewed the work plan with the Commission. The last update was done at the June 26, 2022 retreat. The ECSC will start looking at dates for a 2023 retreat.

At the July meeting, the Commission will discuss which items need to be prioritized.

## **9. Working Groups for 2023/2024 Year**

Working groups will be formed to fast-track the completion of the policy review project.

## **10. 2023 ECSC Annual Summer Retreat**

The purpose of the annual retreat is to map out the work plan. The Commission will determine the larger goals from month to month, and discuss the policy and stakeholder review projects. Members will be polled to determine a date that will work for the majority. Locations to hold the meeting were offered up by A. Soto and B. Badry. The Chair will look at getting a facilitator and finalize details.

## **11. Chair's Report**

The Chair, Vice-Chair and Executive Director met on June 6, 2023. They discussed the outcome of the Tim Hague Inquiry as well as potential upcoming events.

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

CARRIED

## **12. Executive Director Report**

F. Gavins reviewed the written Executive Director's report.

The Executive Director provided feedback on the review of Policy 5 and the recommendations provided by the City.

T. Kelly, T. Babb and R. Khullar will meet to finalize Policy 5 and distribute it to the Commission before the July meeting for review. The Policy will be voted on at the July meeting.

F. Gavins is looking into how many qualified officials are available in Edmonton for any potential upcoming events. He will keep the Commission in the loop regarding any upcoming dates for inspector training.

There was discussion about having an outdoor professional MMA event and what that would look like.

F. Gavins provided information that came out of the Fatality Inquiry. The final decision could take up to a year. The purpose of the inquiry is to determine ways/procedures to prevent this type of thing from happening again and is not about guilt or fault.

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

## **13. Financial Statements – March 31 & April 30 2023**

Honoraria should be paid out of the City's budget, not the ECSC budget. F. Gavins is following up with Finance and is looking at getting the fees reversed from the ECSC budget and moved to the City budget. The Commission has a separate budget for honoraria that is meant for recognition.

MOVED: That the March 31 and April 30, 2023, Financial statements be approved as presented. CARRIED

## **14. Next Meeting - July 10, 2023**

The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on July 10, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

## **15. Adjournment**


MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on June 12, 2023.

\_\_\_\_ Tye Babb \_\_\_\_\_  
Tye Babb, Vice-Chair

20 July 2023  
Date

  
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Tracey Poberznick, Recorder