



# Seniors Housing Society of Alberta

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

September 8, 2023 – 9:00AM – 11:00AM

Matheson Seniors Residence 11445 - 135 Street NW Edmonton

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PRESENT: Dawn Harsch, Rob Appleyard, Greg Christenson, Lorenzo Clonfero, Laura Pothoven, Darren Sinke, Christy McKirdy, John (Christenson Homes), Jill Gurela, Kevin Capowski (arrived late)

### 1. Call to Order / Welcome - Dawn Harsch, President -9:11 AM

- **MOTION: to approve the Agenda for the 2023 AGM**

- *Motion made by Darren Sinke and seconded by Greg Christenson  
Motion Passed Unanimously*

- **MOTION: to approve the minutes from the Annual General Meeting held November 18, 2022.**

- *Motion made by Rob Appleyard and seconded by Lorenzo Clonfero.  
Motion passed unanimously.*

### 2. Executive Reports

#### a. President's Report – Dawn Harsch

- Review of Strategic Plan from September 2022.
- How to recruit more members; as currently we are running at a deficit
- Discussion of having Government Ministers and/or officials at one of our upcoming meetings. Dawn Harsch will follow up with letters to the Premier Danielle Smith, Minister of Seniors and Community Services, Minister of Health, Dr. John Cowl, and Minister Jason Nixon. Darren Sinke also suggested invited MP Randy Boissonnault (MP for the Westmount area).

### 3. Year End Financial Statements – Rob Appleyard, Treasurer

#### a. Budget 2024

- **MOTION: To approve the budget for 2024**

*Motion made by Greg Christenson and seconded by Darren Sinke. Motion to approve the financials and budget as presented passed unanimously.*

### 4. New Business

- Unapproved Referral Websites and Listings

- Dawn Harsch mentioned that she was made aware of her companies logo and information being used on unapproved websites offering referrals for senior housing. The information listed was not always correct and when clicked on people would be directed to call a different number. General discussion around this but ultimately not much can be done.

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## 5. Election and Acclamation of Officers

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| Dawn Harsch    | President      |
| Kevin Capowski | Vice President |
| Rob Appleyard  | Treasurer      |
| Darren Sinke   | Secretary      |

- **MOTION: to elect officers by Acclamation. Motion carried to elect the following Officers by Acclamation:**

- Dawn Harsch – President
- Rob Appleyard – Treasurer
- Darren Sinke – Secretary

- Greg Christenson was nominated as Vice President as Kevin Capowski was no longer eligible due to change in employment.

- **MOTION: To elect Greg Christenson as Vice President. Motion made by Darren Sinke and seconded by Lorenzo Clonfero . Motion passed unanimously.**

## 6. Confirmation of Meeting dates and locations for the year; including a holiday social event in December 2023

- 7. **MOTION: to Adjourn the AGM; Motion made by Darren Sinke and seconded by Greg Christneson – Motion carried unanimously. 10:AM.**

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### GUEST SPEAKER: 10:00AM – 11:00AM

#### Peter Csillag with [Wellington Advocacy](#)

*Peter presented information on his experience in advocating and lobbying to Government officials and it's agencies for various industries and organizations. Peter provided information on how to have your industry concerns heard by the right people in Government to help influence decisions and legislation.*