

The name of the Society  
STURGEON AGRIPLEX SOCIETY**MEMBERSHIP**

- 1 The Membership fee, if any, in the society shall be determined, from time to time, by the members at a general meeting. Any persons residing in Alberta, being of full age of 18 years may become a member by a favorable vote passed by a majority of members at a regular meeting of the society, and on payment of the fee. Such voting shall be by ballot, unless the meeting by resolution otherwise decides. Any person under the age of 18 years may in the same manner become a member upon payment of the said fee.
  - 1.1 Full membership for the Society be limited to those individuals who pay taxes or reside in Sturgeon County and that Associate Membership be provided to those members not living in Sturgeon as a non- voting membership. After a period of two years and if the Associate Member is in good standing based on attending 70% of the meeting per year and or giving 12 hours volunteer time per year at the arena, then the Member can have a Full Voting Membership.
  - 1.2 Any member in good standing of two consecutive years shall be eligible to any office in the society. Should any two-year members of good standing not be elected into an office and an office remains vacant, a one-year Sturgeon County Resident in good standing is permitted to be elected in the office.
- 2 Any member wishing to withdraw from membership may do so upon a notice in writing to the Board through the Secretary. If any member is in arrears fees or assessment for any year, such members shall be automatically suspended at the expiration of six months from the end of such year and shall hereafter be entitled to no membership privileges or powers in the society until reinstated. Any member upon a majority vote of all members in good standing may be expelled from membership for any cause which the society may deem reasonable.
  - 2.1 Any person or persons found to be undermining the purposes and goals of Sturgeon Agriplex Society which is to construct a Multi Use Facility within the M.D. of Sturgeon shall be automatically suspended from the membership roll.
  - 2.2 Disillusionment of the Society may only occur after a period of inactivity of not less than 2 years and only by complete consensus of the Board of Directors.

**PRESIDENT**

- 3 The President shall be ex-officio a member of all Committees. He shall, when present, preside at all meeting of the society and of the Board. In his absence the Vice-President shall preside at any such meetings, and in the absence of both a chairman may be elected by the meeting to preside thereat.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- 4 Board of Directors of the society consists of:  
President, Vice-President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Past President, and 3 Directors
- 5 The Board shall, subject to the by-laws or directions given it by majority vote at any meeting properly called and constituted, have full control and management of the affairs of the society, and meetings of the Board shall be held as often as may be required, but at least once every three months, and shall be handled by the President. A special meeting may be called on the instructions of any two members thereof provided they request the President in writing to call such meeting and state the business to be brought before the meeting. Meetings of the Board shall be called by ten days' notice in writing, email, or fax to each member or by three days' notice

by telegram or telephone. Any four members shall constitute a quorum, and meetings shall be held without notice if a quorum of the Board is present, provided, however, that any business transactions at such meeting shall be ratified at the next regular meeting of the Board: otherwise, they shall be null and void.

- 6 Any director or officer upon a majority vote of all members in good standing may be removed from office for any cause which the society may deem reasonable.

6.1 If any Board of Director or Executive miss 3 consecutive meetings, their position may be filed at the next meeting.

#### **SECRETARY**

- 7 It shall be the duty of the secretary to attend all meetings of the society and of the Board, and to keep accurate minutes of the same. She(he) shall have charge of the Seal of the Society which seal whenever used shall be authenticated by the signature of the Secretary and the President, or, in the case of the death or disability of either to act, the Vice-President. In case of the absence of the Secretary, her (his) duties shall be discharged by such officer as may be appointed by the Board. The Secretary shall have charge of all correspondence of the society and be under direction of the President and the Board.
- 8 The Membership Committee shall keep a record of all the members of the society and their address, send all notice of the various meetings as required, and shall collect and receive the annual dues or assessments levied by the society, such monies to be promptly turned over to the Treasure for deposit in a Bank, Trust Company, Credit union or Treasury Branch as hereinafter required.

#### **TREASURER**

- 9 The Treasurer shall receive all monies paid to the society and shall be responsible for the deposit of same in whatever Bank, Trust Company, Credit Union, Treasury Branch the Board may order. She (he) shall properly account for the funds of the society and keep such books as may be directed. She(he) shall present a compiled account of receipts and disbursement to the Board whenever requested and shall prepare for submission to the Annual Meeting a statement duly audited as hereinafter set forth of the financial position of the society and submit a copy of same to the Secretary for the record of the society. The office of the Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one person if any annual meeting for the election of officers shall so decide. There will be 2 of 3 signatures required on all cheques.

#### **AUDITING**

- 10 The books, accounts and records of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be audited at least once each year by a duly qualified accountant or by two members of the society elected for that purpose at the Annual Meeting. A complete and proper statement of the standing of the books for the previous year shall be submitted by each auditor at the Annual Meeting of the society. The fiscal year of the society in each year shall be December 31.
- 11 The books and records of the society may be inspected by any member of the society at the annual meeting provided for herein or at anytime upon giving reasonable notice and arranging a time satisfactory to the officer or officers having charge of same. Each member of the Board shall at all times have access to such books and records.

#### **MEETINGS**

- 12 This society shall hold an annual meeting on or before March 31 in each year, of which notice in writing to the last known address of every member or email address if one is provided plus a notice on the Societies webpage, shall be delivered 14 days prior to the annual meeting. There shall be elected a President, Vice- President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Secretary-Treasurer, for a two-year term. In addition, there shall be elected three directors to serve one (three-year term) one (two-year term) and one (one year term). The officers and directors so elected shall form a Board and shall serve until the successors are elected and installed. Any vacancy occurring during the year shall be filled at the next meeting, provided it is so stated in the notice

calling such meeting. Any member in good standing of two consecutive years shall be eligible to any office in the society. Should any two-year members of good standing not be elected into an office and an office remains vacant, a one-year Sturgeon County Resident in good standing is permitted to be elected in the office.

- 13** General Meeting will be determined by Board at the Sturgeon Agriplex Society. The Society should meet at least every two months at the Sturgeon Agriplex Center. A special meeting shall be called by the President on request of one-third of the full membership, provided each member receives 24 hours' notice of such special meeting. A waiver concurring in each such special meeting must be signed by one-third of the members of the society.
- 14** 7 (Seven) members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.

#### **VOTING**

- 15** Any full member who has not withdrawn from membership nor has been suspended or expelled as herein provided shall have the right to vote at any meeting of the society. Such votes must be made in person and not by proxy or otherwise.

#### **REMUNERATION**

- 16** Unless authorized at any meeting and after notice for same have been given no officer or member of the association shall receive any remuneration for his services.

#### **BORROWING POWERS**

- 17** For the purpose of carrying out its objects, the society may borrow or raise or secure the payment in such manner as it thinks fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures, but this power shall be exercised only under the authority of the society, and in no case shall debentures be issued without the sanction of a special resolution of the society.

#### **BY-LAWS**

- 18** The By-Laws may be rescinded, altered or added to by a "Special Resolution"

**18.1** Provided that the amendments not be detrimental to the existence or goals of this Society