



MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Name:	Recreation Committee Meeting	
Meeting Location:	M/B Council Chambers	
Date / Time:	May 4, 2016	7:00pm – 9:40pm
Minutes Prepared By:	Geoff Patterson	

1. Purpose

Budget related

2. Attendance

Name	Present	Name	Present
Ryan Marcellus	regret	Matt Arseneau	regret
Jason Marshall	y	Geoff Patterson	y
John Robertson	y		
Teresa Bahm	y		
Darcy Wall	Y		

3. Agenda

No.	Subject	Responsible
1	Call to Order/Welcome/Attendance	GP/JM
2	Adoption of Agenda	GP/JM
3	Declaration of pecuniary interest	JM
4	Delegations –nil	
5	adopt previous minutes	JM
6	Follow up business from minutes	All
7	Correspondence- Beer Festival/OPG/Scottish Festival mins	All
8	<i>Visioning Exercise</i> (future Rec Space)	All
9	New/Other business – ie FB update/parking Waba Museum	All
10	Next meeting/Adjournment	All

4. Action Items:

No	Actions, Decisions and Important Issues	Responsible	Status	Closure Date
1	The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Rec Chair Marshall and Rec Director Patterson took attendance.	JM	Open	
2.	Committee member Darcy Wall moved that the agenda be adopted and Committee member John Robertson seconded. CARRIED.	JM	closed	16/5/4
3	The Chair invited members to declare items of pecuniary interest and no declarations of pecuniary interest were made by the group.	JM	closed	16/5/4
4.	Committee heard no delegations this evening	JM	open	
5	Recreation Director Patterson circulated recreation Committee meeting minutes from April 16 which were approved, moved by Committee member Teresa Bahm, seconded by committee member Darcy Wall. Carried.	JM	closed	16/5/4
6	<p>Business arising from past minutes was discussed at this time as Teresa asked the Rec Director for an update on how the Museum Committee reacted to the Herbfest presentation which occurred at their meeting on May 2. Director Patterson explained he updated the Museum group on Herbfest origins, recent developments and he provided details on where the event stood from a planning standpoint. There was some concern expressed from the Museum group about damage to grass when events move onto their site and they would have liked to have been informed earlier about the event rather than reading about it in a local newspaper. Teresa, Darcy and Geoff elaborated about the Community Clean-up Day and logistics of the event and improvements such as better signage and a master map for participants for next year's event were briefly discussed.</p> <p>Darcy Wall spoke of the Trails group doing a walk-through on the Perneel property and that the group felt there was a lot of potential here to get something completed within the calendar year given the fact that it should be relatively easy to link McNab Public School and the Alexander Stewart Nature Reserve with a trail system based out of the Perneel Area.</p> <p>The group asked the Rec Director about progress of the AMBUSC patio project at Dochart Park and Mr. Patterson stated he had no report from AMBUSC that they have been able to move past the planning stage of this initiative.</p> <p>Chair Marshall inquired as to whether anyone had questions about the Director's pre-meeting status report and the group concurred everything on that report looked good.</p>	GP	closed	16/5/4
7	<p>Correspondence recently submitted from Rec Director regarding status of the Scottish report was received and circulated and progress of the event was briefly discussed.</p> <p>Correspondence from Councilor Mark Mackenzie was brought forward as the group examined a proposal outlining a potential beer festival. After discussion on this item, <i>Committee directed Mr. Patterson to attempt to make contact with one of the sources cited on the e-mail to see if he would consider chatting with the Committee about the Beer Festival concept.</i></p> <p>Mr. Patterson shared a letter from OPG stating that he was successful in acquiring \$500 in funding assistance from Jennifer Gardiner, the local Ontario Power Generation rep. The money is to be allocated to the McNab/Braeside Minor Ball program.</p>	GP	open	16/5/4

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8	<p>Committee looked at this month's visioning exercise as a follow up to the work the group did earlier on a potential "Wall of fame" type feature that should be included in the future central multi-purpose space. Discussion then revolved around establishing a list of worthy candidates and their backgrounds of who could be featured in a display highlighting various roles of community involvement. Committee quickly came up with a list of 25-30 candidates. <i>Chair Marshall wished to speak to CAO or Council further about this concept and what may be a logical next step.</i></p> <p>The group then brainstormed further about an auditorium style feature at the Perneel central municipal site. Activities that a multi-purpose room could potentially be hosting would include, but not be limited to the following: Indoor use-badminton/volleyball/wrestling/archery/bingo/cadets/cooking or chef classes/drama groups/stage show</p> <p>The group wanted to diversify a bit from these future spaces a bit as well and take a look at what we have already in place and it was agreed to have the next meeting at a satellite location, that being the White Lake Firehall and we will meet first at the White Lake Park at 6:30 to do an optional site visit prior to the meeting.</p>	GP	open	
9	<p>Other business brought up by Rec Director was an inquiry as to whether the parking lot at Waba Cottage Museum should be paid parking for boaters using the Township facility. After a brief discussion, the group unanimously agreed that any additional revenue would help offset maintenance costs as well as make the Township launching and parking strategy somewhat more consistent.</p> <p>Moved by Darcy Wall, seconded by Tereas Bahm that Council endorse adding the White Lake boat launch at the Waba Cottage Museum to the existing list of Township boat launches where there is currently a fee structure already in place and initiate a plan to charge boaters for parking at that facility.</p> <p>Chair Marshall then spoke of the recently launched Rec facebook page which had generated significant interest in a short amount of time. He reported "likes" were brisk and we accumulated 250 in the first 48 hours. We wish to spotlight many varieties of ties to our Township whether it be athletes, new and old, volunteers, events, coaches, officials, programs and feedback- basically everything tied to M/B Parks and Rec. We will also feature photos from "back in the day" as we can't celebrate all we have today in the Township without acknowledging our glorious past.</p>	GP	Open	
	<p>Committee agreed to hear from Ec development Committee Chair Lori Hodinott, who asked permission to give some quick Committee updates. She stated she was pleased to receive Rec Committee feedback on the survey her committee developed and explained some timelines associated with that project.</p> <p>She also spoke of fat biking, which she felt would be of equal interest to Recreation and Economic development. Ms. Hodinott also wondered if we felt the Ec Dev Committee should combine with the Rec department on a social media FB page. Chair Marshall stated that he felt rec should stand alone on this new initiative but could perhaps link specific economic development-related event to the Rec page when it was deemed appropriate.</p>	GP	closed	16/5/4
	<p>Other new business brought forward by the Rec Director was the new hire of a part time 20 hour per week seasonal programmer. Mr. Patterson informed the group that Karla Belton had started work with the Township the previous day and is a welcome addition to the Recreation team. Several of the members were familiar with Ms. Belton and wondered if she should attend a meeting to allow the Rec Committee to meet her.</p>	GP	open	
10	<p>Committee member Darcy Wall moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 pm and Committee member Teresa Bahm seconded. All were in favor. The next meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2016 starting at the White Lake Fire Hall at 7pm. A 6:30 optional site visit will occur at White Lake Park, 33 Diamond Lane prior to the regular meeting. <i>No further action necessary.</i></p>	JM	Closed	16/5/4

