



## MEETING MINUTES

<b>Meeting Name:</b>	Recreation Committee Meeting	
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	M/B Council Chambers	
<b>Date / Time:</b>	Mar. 9, 2016	7:00pm – 10:00pm
<b>Minutes Prepared By:</b>	Geoff Patterson	

### 1. Purpose

Budget related

### 2. Attendance

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

### 3. Agenda

No.	Subject	Responsible
1	Call to Order/Welcome/Attendance	GP
2	Adoption of Agenda	GP
3	Declaration of pecuniary interest	GP
4	Delegations – Clint Duff	
5	adopt previous minutes	GP
6	Follow up business from minutes	All
7	Correspondence- Dan Leblanc thank you	All
8	<b><i>Visioning Exercise</i></b>	All
9	New/Other business – ie Trails group update	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 7:05pm by Rec Director Patterson and attendance was taken.	GP	Open	
2.	Committee member Ryan Marcellus moved that the agenda be adopted and Committee member John Robertson seconded. CARRIED.	GP	closed	16/3/9
3	The Director invited members to declare items of pecuniary interest and no declarations of pecuniary interest were made by the group.	GP	closed	16/3/9
4.	<p>Committee heard Clint Duff speak as a delegation this evening and he brought forth a very interesting proposal. As a resident near the Clay Bank Park area of the Township, he has been voluntarily removing snow from the small parking lot landing area at the Clay bank Park driveway which has made driving on White Lake Road safer, as dog walkers no longer have to park their cars on the shoulders of the busy highway. He wishes to continue to perform work for the Township, as he has done in the past, and suggested a reciprocal agreement be set up, which will see him provide \$4000 worth of work for the Recreation Department, in exchange for the right to harvest the hay from the nearby fields on Township property at the Park.</p> <p>The Rec Director explained that In the past, The Department has hired Mr. Duff to help with various tasks such as excavation, provision of sand and gravel, moving of equipment and many other tasks as he is a local contractor with more equipment resources available to him than our Department has available to it. So in exchange for the hay, Mr. Duff wishes to continue to work with the Department at Clay bank Park and elsewhere up to an approximate value of \$4,000 which will be invoiced through the Recreation Department and Township office. The "trade-off" would result in a cost saving to the taxpayers and allow for additional improvements within our recreational areas. Mr. Duff exited the meeting at 7:35pm</p>	GP	open	
5	Recreation Director Patterson circulated recreation Committee meeting minutes from Feb 016 which were approved, moved by Committee member Darcy Wall, seconded by committee member Teresa Bahm. Carried.	GP	closed	16/3/9
6	<p>No Business arising from past minutes was discussed at this time, however the group felt it was appropriate to discuss Mr. Duff's proposal relating to his presentation as a delegation. John Robertson thought the decision was a "no-brainer" being a win-win for both parties. Ryan Marcellus agreed and stated that as a past Rec Director for the Township, Mr. Duff was great to work with and he usually added a lot of bonus work to any job her performed relating to contractual duties for the Township. Current Rec Director Patterson agreed and said he thought it would be of great advantage to the Township to enter into an agreement such as this with Mr. Duff. Any intention of harvesting of hay would be reported to The Rec Department in advance to eliminate any environmental concerns or conflicts with user groups or events which may be occurring at that site.</p> <p><b>Moved by Ryan Marcellus, Seconded by John Robertson that Council approve a reciprocal agreement at Clay Bank Park where contractor Clint Duff harvests hay on that site in exchange for \$4000 of various work at McNab/Braeside Township parkland as directed by the Recreation Department.</b></p>	GP	closed	16/3/9
7	Correspondence recently submitted from Dan Leblanc thanking the Township, staff and Committee for allowing him the opportunity to execute the Braeside Cup event was reviewed. Mr. Leblanc stated in it that he was able to successfully raise \$2200 for Phil Rancourt, a Braeside resident who had fallen ill.	GP	closed	16/3/9

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8	<p>Committee looked at challenges presented to them by the Works Department and the Building Committee during this month's <b>visioning exercise</b> as the group spoke at length about what should be included in future recreational spaces. We looked at current sizing of the Braeside RA Centre and examined how some of the room sizes were somewhat practical and some were very impractical relating to actual square footage of specific design. Group members spoke of newer recreational facilities in and around the Ottawa area and talked of desirable qualities that should be included in a future recreational space.</p> <p>Rec Committee felt that Council's priority of developing central recreation space prior to working on satellite locations such as Braeside or White Lake was a logical step but to specify the size of the smaller community-style facilities is premature and should fall later when specifics of the central recreation space have been finalized. To follow are Committee feedback/comments with respect to Central Recreation space criteria as supplied by the Public Works Director:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would like to see seating capacity increased to 200 in order that venue attracts larger events/receptions/trade shows etc and space can be turned into separate pods/rooms with use of accordion style temporary moveable walls.</li> <li>• Auditorium/Rec space should include an elevated platform which is useable as a stage for presentations and access to this area should have large garage-type door so that onload/offload is more convenient for users</li> <li>• There should be an additional locker room as 2 locker rooms has proven ineffective at other facilities</li> <li>• Washroom in central space insignificant and needs to be larger as the 480 square feet quoted is exactly the same for a 50 person facility as it is listed for the 150 person facility.</li> <li>• It was reiterated by Committee that storage is the biggest challenge for these types of facilities as the square footage for storage needs to be far in excess of kitchen square footage as the numbers presented would barely accommodate room for tables and chairs associated with a Hall of this size.</li> <li>• The group expressed some interest that the ceiling clearance height should be able to accommodate indoor sporting activities such as badminton/volleyball and basketball</li> </ul> <p>The group brainstormed about the Perneel site and various components that it could eventually include. The significant size would allow development of future soccer and ball fields and dreaming in a best case-scenario, may also include a community pool down the road, which still, of course, could be several generations away</p>	GP	open	
9	<p>Other business brought up by Committee member Darcy Wall was to do some brainstorming involving the upcoming Community Clean-up event scheduled for April 23. Both Committee member Wall and Teresa Bahm indicated that they are willing to help out hands-on at the event that day. Logistics were discussed that involved details such as various supplies required, specific itinerary for the layout of the day and a wrap-up barbecue immediately following the event.</p>	GP	Open	

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	<p>Committee was informed by Rec Director Patterson that earlier in the day, he sat in on a Healthy Kids meeting at the County which spoke of dispersing additional monies relating to the Active Kids grant program. It was said that there would be possibly up to \$6000 available to municipalities by the end of the month but the funds must be relating to building/improving natural play spaces in the County. The project leaders indicated that they would be sending out more detail shortly that would give more specific criteria of how the money could be utilized. The Rec Committee then had discussion on their versions of natural play spaces.</p> <p>The Director informed the group that the most recent Trails Committee group meeting was cancelled due to weather and they were in the midst of re-scheduling for later in March. Teresa Bahm indicated she had a volunteer willing to come forward and talk about his vast experience of involvement with Trails which would be beneficial to the newly formed group. Darcy Wall, who is also a member of the Trails group, thought that this would be a great addition to the Trails meeting and would provide some assistance forming an information base and some tentative dates and times were discussed to make this happen. The tentative date for the presentation and meeting is March 23 and the Rec Director indicated he would investigate if this date was a practical one for the Trails focus group. Ms. Bahm indicated she wished to attend and was told that since it was a public meeting, there is no problem with that whatsoever.</p>	GP	open	
	<p>New business brought forward by Darcy Wall included a bit of a follow up on the Trails portfolio as he indicated he has been researching skateable trails for winter use and proposed that part of the MCP future trail infrastructure should include this new trend in recreation. Mr. Wall thought that being in on the early introduction of this type of concept would put the Township on the map when it came to unique trail usage but realized that a trail system was not in existence at that site yet, so discussion was a bit premature as Trails had to be established first then their specific use could be determined once they were in existence.</p>	GP	open	
10	<p>Committee member Darcy Wall moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 pm and Committee member Teresa Bahm seconded. All were in favor. The next meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2016 starting at the chambers at 7pm. <i>No further action necessary.</i></p>	GP	Closed	16/3/9