



DRAFT MINUTES

**Public Recreation & Culture Committee Meeting
Wednesday, April 12, 2023 (rescheduled from April 5)
Council Chambers 7:00 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

In attendance: Mark MacKenzie (Chair),
Adam Rueckwald (Vice Chair),
John Robertson,
Andy Kalnins,
Marc Landry,
Darrell Carson,
Lori Hoddinott,
Andrea Lamontagne (Recreation Director)

Regrets: Matt Arseneau

We acknowledge that we are on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe Peoples.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Addition to agenda: Information item re: Joint User Agreement.

3.1. Agenda Dated April 5, 2023

Moved by Andy Kalnins, seconded by John Robertson, **THAT** the agenda dated April 5, 2023 as be adopted as amended. **CARRIED**

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

4.1. Bill Skinner, Arnprior Fish and Games Conservation Club AFGCC

Bill Skinner, President of the AFGCC addressed the group to express the clubs concern that the new agreement between the Township and the Club limits the free boat launch pass. The Club is asking to extend the current agreement by one year and re-visit next year which would allow sufficient notice to members and enable the Club to successfully continue this year.

The committee discussed this matter and concluded that a recommendation be forwarded as follows:

Moved by Marc Landry seconded by Adam Rueckwald

THAT the Public Recreation & Culture Committee recommends to Council that the current agreement be extended for one year and FURTHER that a maximum of 35 boat launch passes, specific to Clay Bank and Waba Cottage Museum boat launch's, be allocated to the club. **CARRIED.**

4.2. Ralph Chown, Renfrew County 55+ Summer Games - Cycling Event

The Renfrew County 55+ Games (RCSG) will be holding a cycle event at the Murray Yantha Community Centre (MYCC) on June 6, 2023

This event and the Cycling events' request(s) to use the township resources was discussed by the committee the following recommendation will be forwarded to Council for approval.

Moved by Andy Kalnins seconded by John Robertson

THAT the Public Recreation & Culture Committee recommends to Council that the Township accommodate this request by providing 1) use of the back of the MYCC hall for the morning of June 6 to accommodate registration and admin work and access to washrooms, water fountain and rest areas (2) use of the parking lot for participant parking and cycle preparation (3) caution pylons and signage be added to the driveway (entrance) as a traffic control measure. **CARRIED.**

4. MATTERS ARISING OUT OF DELEGATIONS HEARD

6. ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

6.1. Minutes Dated March 1, 2023

Moved by John Robertson, seconded by Adam Rueckwald, **THAT** the minutes dated March 1, 2023 as be adopted as submitted and circulated. **CARRIED.**

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. (i) Introduction - Sports Association Representatives

Presidents and club management for all area sports clubs were invited to this meeting to provide an opportunity for information sharing regarding changes to the Joint Use Agreement with Arnprior for the Township of McNab/Braeside.

Present:

Arnprior Minor Hockey Association (AMHA), Angie Miller (President)

Arnprior McNab/Braeside United Soccer Club (AMBUSC), Bryan Terrell (President), Zak Butterly (Vice President)

McNab/Braeside Minor Bal - Adam Rueckwald (President)

Arnprior McNab Ringette Association (AMRA) Kerry Vernick (President), Christyl Fenton (Vice President)

Regrets - Blue Fish Swim Club: Andrea Di Paolo

No reply - Arnprior Figure Skating Club

Chair MacKenzie opened by explaining the history of the agreement and how several factors have changed since the inception.

Each association provided information as to the percentage of their membership is from the Township of McNab/Braeside:

Ringette	140 players	42% McNab/Braeside
Hockey	650 players	40% McNab/Braeside
Minor ball	200 players	55% McNab/Braeside
Soccer	650 players	41% McNab/Braeside

AMHA and AMRA advised the club(s) rental fee for the ice at NSC for the season:

Ringette - 2022 ice pad fee \$ 45,000

Hockey - 2022 ice pad fee \$118,000

John Robertson and Andy Kalnins clarified that Public Recreation & Culture Committee Members were not involved in the decision to terminate the Joint Use Agreement.

Chair MacKenzie thanked the associations for joining the meeting and for their contribution to the discussion.

(ii) Recreation Agreement

No further discussion.

7.2. Renfrew County 55+ Summer Games

Andrea Lamontagne reviewed the schedule for the Renfrew County 55+ Senior Games (RCSG) that will be held in the Township. These include Prediction Walking in Braeside on May 9th, Euchre at the MYCC on May 30th and Cycling through McNab on June 6th. The Township has supported RCSG by offering event space, and creative work on posters and registration forms.

7.3. Food Truck Proposal at White Lake Dam

Moved by John Robertson, seconded by Lori Hoddinott THAT the Public Recreation & Culture Committee recommends to Council that they support the addition of a food truck operating under its own occupational authority, meaning the Township would have no affiliation with the food truck nor would it be responsible in any way with ensuring permit conditions are met. to recommend that council support the food truck; AND FURTHER THAT the Recreation Department be involved in the placement of the food truck to ensure that maintenance and accessibility requirements of the Township are not impeded. **CARRIED.**

8. CURRENT RECREATION STATUS

Darrell Carson inquired if program use statistics re: age and gender enrollment metrics), discussed at the last meeting were available. Andrea Lamontagne replied that up until earlier this month, it was not mandatory for those registering for programs to indicate gender preference or age. The registration module has been updated; metrics can be shared at year end as sufficient time will be required to record this information.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1. Council & Committee Code of Conduct Committee Declaration of Code of Conduct.

The committee discussed this matter and the request from council to sign and acknowledge their compliance with such. After some discussion it was determined that this was request would be withdrawn.

Committee members concurred that the THAT the Council & Committee Code of Conduct Committee Declaration of Code of Conduct be accepted as information.

CARRIED.

9.2. Correspondence from Karin Haelssig.

Ms. Haelssig stated that a nominal parking fee of \$5 for non-residents should be implemented Parking at Burnstown Beach.

The committee discussed this matter and in conclusion advised that this committee has already reviewed this topic and brought it to Council, the topic will not be revisited this year but that it can be brought to the committee again next year.

10. ROUND TABLE

Darrell Carson asked if the McNab Centre Park (MCP) building project has gone to the Building Committee. Lori Hoddinott advised this matter is on the April 13th, 2023 Building Committee Agenda.

11. NOTICE OF UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers, 2473 Russett Drive.
May 3, June 7, July - No Meeting, August - No Meeting, September 6, October 4
November 1, December 6

12. PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

12.1 Mike Groulx commented that he was blown away by what was said during the conversation with the Sports Association members. He stated that from the conversation, it sounds like McNab Braeside residents have been covering the extra costs for all other out of town participants through our Joint Use Agreement.

12.2 Karin Haelssig asked if McNab/Braeside has a minor hockey agreement with Renfrew. Chair MacKenzie replied that there is not an agreement with Renfrew for minor hockey as Hockey Canada determines boundaries for players but that the agreement does cover all indoor and outdoor activities. This agreement is at a rate of \$10,000.

Chair MacKenzie noted that the Township paid a lump sum fee to access programs at the NSC for resident privileges and that tonight it was clear that those from outlying areas were not paying any more.

12.3 Martin Wright stated that he is disappointed in what Arnprior said at their last council meeting. He feels that the town has discarded the Township. He Supports implementing a user fee for outsiders who access programs in McNab/Braeside.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Lori Hoddinott, seconded by Adam Rueckwald, **THAT** the Recreation Committee meeting adjourn at 9:34 p.m. **CARRIED.**

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