



**RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**Council Chambers**

**PRESENT:**        Jessie Perron                                Wendy St. Denis  
                      Pauline Rochefort, Chair  
                      Greg Kirton, Director of Community Services  
                      Kari Hanselman, Deputy Clerk  
                      Jenna Cowden, Recreation Coordinator

**EXCUSED ABSENT:** Donna St. Martin, Michelle St. Onge

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** None

**1. Call to Order** – Chair Rochefort called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

Motion No. 2023-04

Moved by Jessie Perron

Seconded by Wendy St. Denis

THAT the draft agenda circulated to the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee dated the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023 be hereby adopted as prepared.

CARRIED

**3. Acceptance of Minutes of the Last Regular Meeting:**

Motion No. 2023-05

Moved by Wendy St. Denis

Seconded by Jessie Perron

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee held on August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**4. Business Arising from the Minutes**

None for this session

**5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

None for this session



**6. Chair's Comments**

None for this session

**7. Delegations to Committee**

None for this session

**8. Committee Reports**

None for this session

**9. Correspondence and Information Items:**

**a) 2023 Mandate Letter**

Mr. Kirton reviewed the Mandate Letter with the Committee.

**b) ParticipACTION 2023 – Implementing Goals**

Ms. Cowden advised there are activities planned such as Youth Hip Hop Dance Classes and Pickleball. The Committee discussed ways to get the community engaged in ParticipACTION.

**c) Volunteer Recognition Program**

**i) Possible events to recognize recipients**

This item was discussed prior to the in-camera session regarding the nominations.

**d) 2023 Sports Recognition and Sports Hall of Fame Programs**

Nominations are open until the end of August. The Committee will push for nominations at their summer meeting.

**e) Dialogue and Partnership with surrounding communities**

The Committee discussed ways of increasing programming in the community by making spaces available. This item will remain on the agenda as 'Community Engagement'.

**f) Vending Machines**

A local resident approached the Municipality to install vending machines at the arena. Mr. Kirton saw no issue with it. The Committee agreed.

**g) Beautification Project Report**

There is a meeting of the Beautification Sub-Committee this evening. The Committee is eager to get started this year.



**h) South Shore Boat Launch Update**

Mr. Kirton updated the Committee on the boat launch. Upgrades are coming such as more parking and a second boat launch. The committee would like to take a tour of local beaches and parks, as well as the new arena kitchen at their summer meeting.

**i) June 24<sup>th</sup> & July 1<sup>st</sup> Funding and Program**

The municipality has once again partnered with Les Compagnons for funding to put on events for Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day and Canada Day.

**j) Signage Program**

This item was moved to a future agenda.

**k) Updates**

**i) EFCC Kitchen Renovations**

Kitchen renovations are near completion.

**ii) 2023 Winter Carnival**

The carnival was a great success this year.

**iii) Summer programming**

Soccer and volleyball leagues are taking place again this summer. The Committee discussed ideas for other programming such as a walking club.

**iv) Active Transportation Project – MacPherson Drive/Centennial Crescent**

The Municipality has received grant money and plans to construct a multi-use path from the MacPherson boat launch through to the Corbeil Hub.

**10. Action Items**

None for this session

**11. Other Business:**

Chair Rochefort advised that municipal staff can provide committee members with any plans or policies they would like to review.

**12. In Camera**

Is it currently National Volunteer Week. This year's theme is "Volunteering Weaves us Together". The Committee discussed creating a PowerPoint to recognize winners similar to what was done in 2021.



The Committee proceeded to in-camera session under Section 239(2)(b) personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, regarding the review of the Volunteer Recognition Program nominees.

Motion No. 2023-06

Moved by Wendy St. Denis

Seconded by Jessie Perron

THAT this meeting proceeds to In-Camera session at 4:45 p.m., under Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25 in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

CARRIED

Motion No. 2023-07

Moved by Wendy St. Denis

Seconded by Jessie Perron

THAT we do now adjourn this In-Camera meeting at 5:05 p.m. and return to our regular session.

CARRIED

Motion No. 2023-08

Moved by Wendy St. Denis

Seconded by Jessie Perron

WHEREAS Council for the Municipality of East Ferris adopted the Volunteer Recognition Policy at their regular meeting of September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022;

AND WHEREAS the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee reviewed the nominations for the Volunteer Recognition Awards for 2023 at an in-camera session at their meeting on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee forwards the five nominations to Council for their consideration as per the Volunteer Recognition Policy.

CARRIED



## 11. Adjournment

Motion No. 2023-09

Moved by Jessie Perron

Seconded by Wendy St. Denis

THAT the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee meeting adjourn at 5:06 p.m. and meet again on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

CARRIED

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CHAIR

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RECORDING CLERK