



**RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
January 26th, 2022 via Zoom**

PRESENT: Rick Champagne, Chair Rob Currie
 Bill Ramore Wendy St. Denis
 Ronald Roy Kate Ricci
 Gerald Brochu

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Jason Trottier, Treasurer/CAO
 Kari Hanselman, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. 2022-01
Wendy St. Denis – Rob Currie

THAT the draft agenda presented to the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee and dated the 26th day of January, 2022 be hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Accepting the Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s): October 14th, December 17th, 2021

Resolution No. 2022-02
Wendy St. Denis – Ronald Roy

THAT the Minutes of the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee meetings of October 14th and December 17th, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

Ms. St. Denis followed up on receiving the Active Transportation Plan PowerPoint presentation that was discussed at the last meeting. Municipal staff will forward the presentation to the Committee shortly. The final draft of the plan will be forwarded once staff has completed the necessary amendments and edits.

5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest: None for this session

6. Chair's Comments

Chair Champagne thanked everyone for their time. New committee member, Kate Ricci, was introduced and welcomed. Round table introductions took place.

7. **Delegations to Committee:** None for this session

8. **Committee Reports:** None for this session

9. **Correspondence and Information Items:**

a) Letter from Nosbonsing Curling Club – HVAC Study

Discussions were had regarding the Club's request for an HVAC system. The basement is humid and there is no circulation of air. Grants may be available for such a project. The Committee deferred the request to municipal staff for further review.

Resolution No. 2022-03

Gerald Brochu – Kate Ricci

THAT the request from the Nosbonsing Curling Club to determine the feasibility of the installation of an HVAC system be deferred to municipal staff to review the costing and scope of installation, as well as to gather more information from the Curling Club regarding usage.

CARRIED

b) Letter from Nosbonsing Curling Club – Extension of season

The Committee discussed the Club's request to extend the season until the end of April 2022. Concerns were raised about not being able to differentiate costs between the curling rink and the arena. Information on how long the ice stays in at other curling rinks would be useful. Granting the request for the current year should not set a precedence for future years. Overall the Committee was in favour of granting the request. Additional costs will be reviewed and evaluated to determine the viability of remaining open an extra month.

Resolution No. 2022-04

Rob Currie – Kate Ricci

THAT the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee recommends Council approve the request from the Nosbonsing Curling Club to extend the curling season for this year only to the end of April 2022.

CARRIED

c) 2022 Community Better Challenge Grant Application

Mr. Roy gave a review of the community's accomplishments with ParticipACTION in past years. Mr. Trottier advised the top prize this year is \$100,000. Last year's winner was a small community in eastern Ontario. The Committee discussed reaching out to local community groups to get more people engaged in the challenge.

Resolution No. 2022-05

Wendy St. Denis – Bill Ramore

THAT the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee recommends to Council that an application be submitted by municipal staff for the 2022 ParticipACTION Community Better Challenge grant.

AND THAT the Committee and future ParticipACTION sub-committee are committed to working with municipal staff on this initiative.

CARRIED

10. Actions Items: None for this session

11. Other Business

Mr. Roy raised a concern about the elevator at the community center. Requiring a key in order to use the elevator is not ideal. A system allowing free use at certain times would be better. Chair Champagne advised he would bring this issue forward to Community Centre staff.

Mr. Currie requested the Correspondence and Information Items section of future agendas include a description of what the Committee will be discussing.

Mr. Trottier said committee members are free to bring items forward to the Committee. Items do not always have to be put forward by municipal staff.

Chair Champagne discussed continuing on with community initiatives such as ice sculptures and tree lighting. Keeping the community involved is important, especially in the winter months.

12. In Camera (if required): None for this session

13. Adjournment:

Resolution No. 2022-06
Gerald Brochu – Rob Currie

THAT the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee meeting adjourn at 3:08 p.m. and meet again at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED