



RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 17th, 2023
East Ferris Council Chambers

PRESENT: Jessie Perron Wendy St. Denis
 Donna St. Martin Jenna Cowden, Rec. Coordinator
 Pauline Rochefort, Chair Kim Rose, Deputy Clerk
 Greg Kirton, Director of Community Services

EXCUSED ABSENT: Michelle St. Onge

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: None

1. **Call to Order** – Chair Rochefort called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion No. 2023-14

Moved by Jessie Perron

Seconded by Donna St. Martin

THAT the draft agenda circulated to the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee dated the 17th day of October, 2023 be hereby adopted as prepared.

CARRIED

3. **Acceptance of Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

Motion No. 2023-15

Moved by Wendy St. Denis

Seconded by Jessie Perron

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee held on July 18th, 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) Brandy Labonté: An East Ferris Christmas

Motion No. 2023-16

Moved by Wendy St. Denis

Seconded by Jessie Perron

THAT the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee recommends to Council that an East Ferris Christmas event be held in conjunction with the Tree of Lights ceremony on December 1st, 2023;

AND THAT the event include artisans and live music, among other activities, with involvement from Ferris Glen Public School and KRMT.

CARRIED

10. Action Items

a) Dissolution of Beautification Committee

Motion No. 2023-17

Moved by Donna St. Martin

Seconded by Wendy St. Denis

WHEREAS at their Regular Council Meeting of February 14th, 2023 Council adopted the Terms of Reference for the Recreation, Parks and Culture sub-committee, the East Ferris Beautification Project.

AND WHEREAS as of October 17th, 2023 the Beautification Committee has fulfilled their purpose with the creation of the independent East Ferris Horticultural Club;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Beautification Sub-Committee be dissolved as of October 24th, 2023

CARRIED

b) Letter of Request from East Ferris Horticultural Club

Motion No. 2023-18

Moved by Donna St. Martin

Seconded by Wendy St. Denis



WHEREAS the East Ferris Horticultural Club has been created and is comprised of community volunteers;

AND WHEREAS the Club is in the process of incorporation as a non-profit organization with the Ontario Horticultural Societies of Ontario and the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs;

AND WHEREAS the Club's objectives are to plant flowers, shrubs and trees on public property as well as to promote and support gardening in East Ferris;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality received a letter of request for sponsorship to aid in the Club's fundraising efforts;

NOW THEREFORE the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee recommends to Council that a donation of \$250.00 be granted to the East Ferris Horticultural Club as part of their sponsorship program to assist in their fundraising efforts.

CARRIED

11. Other Business

- a) **Community Engagement:** The Director of Community Services advised the Committee that a Halloween Skate will be taking place at the East Ferris Community Centre on October 29th. Participants are encouraged to wear costumes.
- b) **Recreation Hub:** The Director of Community Services provided an update to the Committee regarding the East Ferris Recreation Hub. The project is well underway with the installation of the new boards to be completed in the near future. Mr. Kirton also advised that a successful bidder has been awarded for the provision of new playground equipment.

12. In Camera (if required)

Motion No. 2023-19

Moved by Donna St. Martin

Seconded by Jessie Perron

THAT this meeting proceeds to In-Camera session at 4:07p.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.

For the purpose of reviewing the 2023 Sports Recognition and Sports Hall of Fame Program nominations.

CARRIED

Motion No. 2023-20

Moved by Wendy St. Denis

Seconded by Donna St. Martin

THAT we do now adjourn this In-Camera meeting at 4:17p.m. and return to our regular session.

CARRIED

Motion No. 2023-21

Moved by Jessie Perron

Seconded by Donna St. Martin

AND WHEREAS the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee reviewed the nominations for the Sports Hall of Fame Awards for 2023 at an in-camera session at their meeting on October 17th, 2023;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee forwards all three nominations to Council for their recognition as per the Sports Recognition Policy.

CARRIED

13. Adjournment

Motion No. 2023-22

Moved by Wendy St. Denis

Seconded by Jessie Perron

THAT the Recreation, Parks and Culture Committee meeting adjourn at 4:21 p.m. and meet again at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDING CLERK