

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

June 16, 2005

There was a Recreation Committee meeting held at the Community Centre on Thursday, June 16, 2005. Present were: Recreation Committee Chair Bob Kingsbury; Sub-Chairs: Reeve Robert Johnston, Councillor David Bennett, Sharon Bennett; Natalie Atkins, Recreation Members: Paul Lonergan, Theresa Lonergan, Patti Stewart, Casey Stewart, Barbara Dickson, Judy Campbell, Ralph Miller, Anne Andrechek, Helen Golden, Bruce Golden, Karen Corbin, Marilyn Welsh; and Rose Curley, Secretary. Gary Sidock, a member of the public also attended.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kingsbury called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no disclosure of pecuniary interest.

3. Larry Hanniman - Renfrew Snowmobile Club

Larry Hanniman, President, Renfrew Snowmobile Club was present to discuss the club's proposal to have the Recreation Committee jointly work with them to install barricades/gates for crossings on the former CNR right-of-way. He passed around pictures of several types of gates that they are considering for these crossings. The Snowmobile Club would bear the costs of the gates and the township would be responsible for installation. He noted that this proposal was for next year. He also reported that several businesses were willing to buy the gates for the Snowmobile Club in return for being able to place a sign advertising their business on the gate. Chair Kingsbury thanked Mr. Hanniman for attending the meeting and said that his request would be taken to Council.

Barry Martin - President, Ottawa Valley Music Association (OVMA)

Barry Martin, President of the Ottawa Valley Music Association along with members Mike Clouthier and Gary Sidock were present to discuss and answer questions in regards to their rental proposal with the Recreation Committee. Most of their members live between Petawawa, the Ottawa Valley and Ottawa and our centre seemed like a good central location for their group. Their proposal was that OVMA would use the hall for their monthly meetings (12), and for several musical events. In return for useage of the community centre for their monthly meetings, once during the year OVMA would hold a musical event, taking care of all the arrangements, advertisements, ticket sales, etc. and all the proceeds from this event would be given to the Horton Recreation Committee. They would rent the hall from us twice/year for other events where their group would get the door proceeds and the Horton Recreation Committee would get the bar proceeds.

Chair Kingsbury thanked the group for attending and noted that the Committee would review this request further on in the meeting.

4. REVIEW MINUTES OF MAY 24, 2005 RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the May 24, 2005 Recreation Committee Meeting.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- Chair Lift for Upstairs Meeting Room

Chair Kingsbury reported that we are looking into purchasing a used chair lift to provide handicap access to the Upstairs Meeting Room. We are currently checking out standards with the Technical Standards & Safety Authority (TSSA) to ensure that any lift we purchase will meet the required regulations.

Chair Kingsbury noted that we now only need one group to work at the July 16, 2005 wedding. He reported that we have been asked to buy wine for this event to sell at our bar. After discussion, the Committee agreed to purchase and sell wine for this event. He also noted that the caterer for this event would be bringing in wine to serve under their own liquor licence. After discussion, the Committee agreed that we should charge a corkage fee of \$3.00/bottle, as our bar would not be allowed to be open while the wine is being served and we would lose income from bar sales.

Moved by Anne Andrechek  
Seconded by Paul Lonergan

That the Recreation Committee charge a corkage fee of \$3.00/bottle for wine brought into the Community Centre to be served during dinner at a rental function.

Carried.

- Meeting with Kirby Punt, Ministry of Natural Resources to view potential site for boat launch

Chair Kingsbury noted that himself, Reeve Johnston and Councillor Bennett met with Kirby Punt, MNR on June 15, 2005 to view a potential site for the boat launch at the Township Property located next to Stoni-Ridge on the Ottawa River. Mr. Punt was impressed with the property and if MNR receives grant money for a proposed boat launch he will arrange for further discussions with the Township.

6. COMMUNITY CENTRE

- Property Report - Inside and Outside Building

Councillor Bennett gave a brief report on the inside and outside of the building and stated that there were no changes since last month's report.

7. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Bar Sub-Committee**

- Corkage Fee

This item was discussed earlier under "Business Arising from Minutes".

- **Entertainment/Fundraising Sub-Committee**

- Canada Day Breakfast

The Committee discussed the upcoming Canada Day Breakfast. Paul and Theresa Lonergan gave a brief report on preparations done to-date. They asked permission from the Committee to give out six free tickets for the breakfast through our local radio station give-a-ways.

Moved by Judy Campbell  
Seconded by Sharon Bennett

That the Recreation Committee agrees to provide six tickets for the upcoming Canada Day Breakfast for give-a-ways on our local radio station.

Carried.

- Next Fundraiser

Councillor Bennett reported that he is still checking out various options for the next fundraiser. He is hoping to hold something in October 2005.

- Children's Magic Show

The Committee reviewed information on a Children's Magic Show. The Committee agreed that this looked like a favourable event to hold at the Community Centre and will look at arranging this event in the Fall.

#### **-Public Relations Sub-Committee**

Natalie Atkins gave a brief report on this sub-committee. The Committee requested Natalie to run an advertisement in the paper to thank everyone who attended euchre nights at the community centre this past winter and also for everyone who helped out at the games and/or provided lunch.

#### **- Rentals & Kitchen Sub-Committee**

Sharon Bennett, Co-Chair of the Rentals & Kitchen Sub-Committee gave a brief report. She noted that Euchre Nights are over for this year. The Committee is looking for members to help out with this event in the Fall.

- review of rental contract, rates, policies

Chair Kingsbury reported that at we will be running an ad in the local paper asking for public input regarding our rental contract, rates and policies by the end of July. The Committee will then review our contract and policies in August.

- Renfrew Wrestling Club - request for free useage of community centre over the summer months

The Committee noted that the rental contract and policy wouldn't be reviewed until the end of August. The Secretary was asked to phone the Renfrew Wrestling Club to inform them that under the current contract we are unable to grant their request.

#### **- Maintenance Sub-Committee**

Councillor Bennett, Chair of the Maintenance Sub-Committee gave a brief review on this committee.

### 8. OTHER BUSINESS

- Renfrew County Physical Activity Study

- request for \$500 from Township to develop specific recreation study for Horton Township
- request for permission to link survey to our web site

A request was received from a consultant who is developing an active living/physical plan for the Renfrew County of which Horton Township is

part of. She noted that it would be beneficial for each municipality to have an individual plan of their own as the Province might tie these plans to future funding. She offered to develop a plan for Horton Township at a cost of \$500. She also requested permission to link a survey to our Township web site as part of the Renfrew County study.

Moved by Judy Campbell  
Seconded by Helen Golden

That the Recreation Committee table a consultant's request to develop a specific recreation activity plan for Horton Township and also table a request for permission to link a recreation survey to the Township web site.

Carried on Division.

Opposed: Councillor David Bennett  
Anne Andrechek

- Deputy Reeve Hall - concern re: accumulating additional debt

Deputy-Reeve Bob Hall was unable to attend tonight's meeting and asked if he could bring up a concern.

He noted that money was borrowed from Reserves last year to help fund construction of our new community centre. He thinks it would be a good idea to pay existing debt before we take on any new debt.

The Committee discussed this concern.

Moved by Helen Golden  
Seconded by Judy Campbell

That the Recreation Committee table a concern regarding the accumulation of further debt.

Carried.

- Tender for sale of Sportsplex property

The Committee reviewed the tender for the sale of the former Sportsplex property. Several changes were made to the document which will be advertised in the local newspaper in the near future.

- Ottawa Valley Music Association (OVMA) request for use of community centre

After discussion, the committee put forward the following resolution.

Moved by Natalie Atkins  
Seconded by Ralph Miller

That the Recreation Committee make an amendment to the current rental agreement that each request for use of the community centre is reviewed on individual merit.

Chair Kingsbury requested a vote on this.

In Favour: 6  
Opposed: 7

Motion was lost.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Recreation Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Centre.

10. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Paul Loneragan  
Seconded by Theresa Loneragan

That the Recreation Committee pass this confirming resolution to validate any actions or directions given during the open portion of this Committee Meeting which are minor in nature and which were not set out in By-law or Resolution.

Carried.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Paul Loneragan  
Seconded by Judy Campbell

That the Recreation Committee adjourns this meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Carried.

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY