

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON
RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
March 16, 2006**

There was a Recreation Committee meeting held at the Community Centre on Thursday, March 16, 2006. Present were: Recreation Committee Chair Bob Kingsbury; Sub-Chairs: Councillor David Bennett, Sharon Bennett, Ralph Miller, Natalie Atkins, Tim MacDonald and Rose Curley, Secretary. Also present were Recreation Committee Members Barbara Dickson, Carl Warren, Judy Campbell, Chris Maheral, Anne Andrechek and Karen Corbin. Pam Bennett, a Horton resident was present and Jim Miller and Gordon MacMillan, members of the Second Ice Pad Committee were present.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2 (a) PAM BENNETT

Chair Kingsbury invited Pam Bennett to come forward. Mrs. Bennett discussed a proposal she and several members of the community had in regards to building an outdoor rink at the Horton Community Centre that would be used for hockey games and public skating. Chair Kingsbury noted that the Sports Sub-Committee will be reviewing the recreation surveys that were sent out with taxes earlier this year. They will consider her proposal when they are reviewing the results of this survey and discussing their options for recreational activities within the Township.

2 (b) SECOND ICE PAD COMMITTEE – JIM MILLER

Jim Miller and Gordon MacMillan from the Second Ice Pad Committee were present. Mr. Miller was asked to come forward for his presentation. Mr. Miller explained his committee's desire to have a second ice pad built for Renfrew and area residents. He presented several options available to Horton should they consider having an ice pad built. These options ranged from building a rink at our present community centre location, to having one built for us by a private company that would operate it and give a percentage of the revenue to the Township.

Chair Kingsbury thanked Mr. Miller for his presentation.

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no disclosure of pecuniary interest.

4. REVIEW MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 16, 2006, RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the February 16, 2006 Recreation Committee Meeting.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Natalie Atkins referred to Item 7 – Fishing Derby – and asked about the proceeds from the kitchen for this event and if the proceeds were to go towards the Community Centre kitchen. Chair Kingsbury noted that we will check on this.

Dave Bennett referred to Item 5 – and noted that the ice boards from the former Horton School were in poor shape and would not be able to be utilized for construction of an outdoor rink. He also referred to Item 5 – mandatory boat launch fees and reported that a sign will be erected at this site to indicate applicable fees.

6. **COMMUNITY CENTRE**

- Property Report - Inside/Outside Building

Councillor Bennett gave a brief property report on the inside and outside buildings.

7. **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Sports Sub-Committee**

There was no report for this sub-committee.

- **Bell Canada Grant**

Chair Kingsbury reported that we have received notification of the 2006 Bell Canada Grant. He gave the application to Pam Bennett and requested her to consider this for her proposed outdoor hockey rink.

- **Information re: Beckworth Township Indoor Arena**

This topic had been discussed earlier during the Second Ice Pad Committee presentation.

- **Surveys**

Chair Kingsbury noted that the recreation surveys will be forwarded to Peter Bowles, Chair of the Sports Sub-Committee for his committee to review.

- **Bar Sub-Committee - Ralph Miller, Chair**

Ralph Miller, Chair of the Bar Sub-Committee gave a brief report on his committee.

- **Entertainment/Fundraising Sub-Committee**

No report was given for this sub-committee.

- **Special Events Sub-Committee for Recreation**

Chair Kingsbury reported that Paul and Theresa Lonergan, Co-Chairs of this sub-committee had recently resigned from the Recreation Committee. He noted that last year they had been in charge of organizing the Canada Day Breakfast at the Community Centre. After discussion, it was agreed that the Kitchen Committee will take this project over with help from other Recreation Committee members.

- **Public Relations Sub-Committee - Natalie Atkins, Chair**

Natalie Atkins, Chair of this sub-committee gave a brief report.

- **Rentals & Kitchen Sub-Committee - Sharon Bennett, Chair**

No report was given for this sub-committee.

- **Maintenance Sub-Committee - David Bennett, Chair**

Councillor Bennett, Chair of the Maintenance Sub-Committee gave a brief report.

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chair Kingsbury discussed the current price of alcoholic beverages served at the Community Centre bar. Currently we charge \$3.75 and he requested that we raise this to \$4.00/drink. This request was referred to the Bar Sub-committee and they will report back at next Recreation Committee meeting.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date was set for Monday, April 10, 2006 - 7:00 p.m. at the community centre.

10. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Judy Campbell
Seconded by Ralph Miller

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.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by David Bennett
Seconded by Natalie Atkins

That the Recreation Committee adjourns this meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY