

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

June 09, 2008

There was a Meeting of the Recreation Committee held in the Horton Community Centre on Monday, May 12, 2008. Present were: Chair Bob Kingsbury, Mayor Robert Johnston; Sub-Committee Chairs Sharon Bennett, Leona Warren, Dave Bennett, Barbara Dickson, Ralph Miller; Recreation Committee Member Valerie Miller. Also, in attendance was Gladys Miller.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest by members of the Committee.

3. MINUTES OF MAY 12, 2008

The Committee reviewed the Recreation Committee minutes of May 12, 2008.

4. BUSINESS ARISING:

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Sports Sub-Committee

Val Miller gave a brief report on the proposed activities that are being organized by Tara Roffey, Volunteer Sports Director.

- Change Room Facility –

Chair Kingsbury noted that the Township is still looking at constructing a change room facility for the 2008 winter season. It is possible that we could borrow for this expenditure jointly with the office expansion.

- Day Camp

The Committee discussed the proposed summer day camp. Chair Kingsbury noted that there has been a really good response for the day camp leader and assistant positions. They discussed the potential times for the day camp and the various activities. After discussion, it was agreed that the rate for the day camp would be \$50.00/person for Horton residents and \$75.00/person for non-residents.

- Rink Usage/Rates

The Committee discussed the rates that should be charged for use of the outdoor rink. Councillor Bennett noted that the rental rates for other community outdoor rinks vary from \$20/hour to \$40/hour. He noted that he will research this further and bring the results back to the next Recreation Committee Meeting.

- Bar Sub-Committee

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

- Entertainment/Fundraising Sub-Committee

Val Miller gave a brief report on this sub-committee. She reported that there seems to be a discrepancy with which band is playing at this Friday's dance. Chair Kingsbury agreed to call Tim MacDonald to sort out the confusion.

- Special Events Sub-Committee

o Canada Day Events

The Committee discussed the upcoming events for Canada Day at the Community Centre.

- Public Relations Sub-Committee

Leona Warren, Chair of this sub-committee gave a brief report.

- Rentals & Kitchen Sub-Committee

Sharon Bennett, Chair of this sub-committee gave a brief report. She requested that the mats be in the kitchen for Canada Day.

- Maintenance Sub-Committee

Councillor Bennett, Chair of this sub-committee gave a brief report. He noted that the yard lights should be done this week.

Chair Bennett discussed the research he has done regarding a cover for the outdoor rink. He noted that "Coverall" is much more expensive than "All-Shelter". He is hoping to have more info from "All-Shelter" by the next meeting.

Chair Bennett discussed a complaint that had been received in regards to a community centre patron camping overnight at the community centre after attending a family event that was held there. Presently, there is a sign posted that says "No Overnight Camping". After discussion, the Committee agreed to take the sign down and deal with each event on an individual basis. Chair Bennett will inform the neighbour of this change.

Chair Bennett discussed a recommendation from a member of the public. The suggestion was that the Community Centre would be utilized to a greater extent for recreation activities, special events, etc., if we had a Recreation Director for the facility.

Moved by Dave Bennett
Seconded by Robert Johnston

That the Recreation Committee recommends to Council that we explore the possibility of advertising for a full-time/part-time recreation director for the community centre.

Carried.

- Outside Rink Lights

The Committee discussed the options available to shelter the outdoor rink lights from glaring onto neighbouring properties. It is unlikely that we will have a cover over the rink this year. The Committee agreed that berming would be the next favourable option. A berm of spruce trees will be constructed at the front of the rink. In order to carry this out we will have to rent a spade machine at an estimated cost of \$3,000.00 per day. Bob Johnston will donate the large trees that will be utilized for this berm.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- Revenue and Expenditures

The Committee reviewed reports for the revenue and expenditures pertaining to the Recreation Department.

- Meeting Compensation for Committee members

Chair Kingsbury reported that Council has agreed to pay a meeting stipend to Committee Chairs for their attendance at Committee meetings. He will have meeting claim forms available at the next meeting for members to complete.

- Key for Kitchen Committee

Chair Kingsbury reported that the Kitchen Committee has requested a key for the bar. This will allow them to obtain pop and water for their events should this be necessary when there is no bar at a function. They will replace any supplies that they use. It was agreed that the kitchen committee will receive a bar key.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date was set for Monday, July 21, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Centre.

8. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Sharon Bennett
Seconded by Barbara Dickson

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

Carried.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ralph Miller
Seconded by Robert Johnston

That the Recreation Committee meeting be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY