

**THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON
RECREATION COMMITTEE –May 21, 2009**

There was a meeting of the Recreation Committee held at the Horton Township Municipal Chambers on May 21, 2009. Present were: Chair Bob Kingsbury, Mayor Bob Johnston, Councillor Dave Bennett, Valerie Miller, Sharon Bennet, Tim McDonald, Ralph Miller, Barb Dickson, Arnold Dickson, Leona Warren and Program Manager Julie Hawley. Also present was Gladys Miller.

1. Call to Order

2. Declaration of pecuniary interest

None

3. Minutes of April 23, 2009

The committee reviewed the minutes of the April 23, 2009 Recreation Committee meeting.

4. Business Arising:

None

5. Scott Humphries- Guest Presenter

Scott Humphries presented his idea for a media arts initiative. This pilot project would allow him to facilitate and foster local talent and to engage the development of local ideas and interests. One of his ideas is to offer a free bi-weekly screening of classic movies. If someone comes to him with a workshop idea, he will build a free seminar around that particular topic of interest. An excellent publicity opportunity for these seminars/ workshop and film reviews is our Canada Day Breakfast, as there will be many adults at the Community Centre, and we can inform them of this new initiative. In order to review films, he needs to purchase a license for \$1000.00, and it is valid for a period of one year. He has asked for use of the Community Centre, in exchange for services.

Moved by Councillor Dave Bennett; seconded by Arnold Dickson

That the Recreation Committee recommends that Council support Scott Humphries proposal to use the Community Centre at no cost, on a bi-weekly basis, and that the \$1000.00 license to view the films be paid for by the Township, and that it be in the name of the Horton Township. In exchange, Scott Humphries will work with the Program Manager to provide services to improve and maintain our Recreation webpage. This pilot project will be assessed at the end of December, 2009.

Carried

6. Program Manager's Report

Julie Hawley presented a monthly report. She referred to the relationships between the issues of not having enough volunteers at some of our "high risk" events, (stags&does and weddings), and the unacceptable conditions that the cleaner was subjected to in the course of her clean up. After discussion, it was decided that the Program Manager would arrange a meeting with Community Service Officer Janice Sawbridge (OPP), Chair Kingsbury, Mackie McLaren, Ralph Miller and Julie Hawley. At this point, we will not contact the Liquor Licensing Board for assistance.

-Front Storage Room

It has been organized. The Program Manager will contact Jim Ferguson, from the Volunteer Emergency Response Group to repack some of the clothing that has fallen out of the ripped bags.

If the old books do not belong to the Women's Institutes, they will be kept for the yard sale that is to take place on Saturday July 11, 2009.

-Clean up Schedule

The Program Manager will ask Public Works to cut grass behind the Community Centre, and to clean up the horseshoe pits. We need some gravel to fill in the waterhole, and to create more parking spots for July 1, 2009. The Program Manager will address these issues with the Municipal Infrastructure Manager.

-Canada Day Bookings

Moved by Arnold Dickson; seconded by Sharon Bennett

That the Recreation Committee recommends to Council that they authorize the Program Manager to secure the booking for Ray's Reptiles to come on Canada Day, from 9:30-10:30 am for the Corporate Rate of \$400.00

Carried on Division

Abstained from vote: Tim McDonald

-Jen Charbonneau's day camp for girls

Moved by Mayor Johnston; seconded by Leona Warren

That the Recreation Committee recommends to Council that they authorize the Program Manager to secure the booking for Jen Charbonneau's So Glad to Be Me day camp, to be held at the Horton Community Centre at no cost to Jen, from Tuesday August 4 to Thursday August 6 from 9:00am – 3:00pm. The Program Manager will provide a semi- organized activity and supervision from 3:00-4:00pm.

Carried

The Program Manager reported that she is looking into a boys camp or activity, as well as other workshops and courses and summer sport activities.

7. Sub-Committee Reports:

Sports Sub-Committee

- Unpaid 2008 Recreation User Fees

There has been no forward motion on the unpaid fees.

- Township Beach

The beach was not suitable for viewing today as scheduled. The Recreation Committee will view the beach Wednesday June 10, at 5:00pm. Members will meet at the Municipal Chambers and take several vehicles to the beach. Afterwards, there will be sandwiches at the Municipal Chambers, and the regular Recreation Committee meeting at 7:00pm.

- Beach volleyball, soccer, Tball?

Moved by Mayor Johnston; seconded by Ralph Miller

That the Recreation Committee recommends to Council that they authorize the Recreation Committee to tender for the construction of the Beach Volleyball courts.

Carried

Bar Sub-Committee

Ralph Miller, Chair

Ralph requested that we make available a monthly calendar of events, and that one goes onto the door of the Community Centre for advertising. The Program Manager will work on this calendar.

After discussion, Mayor Johnston will purchase a vent for the bar room door to create airflow and reduce the temperature in the bar room.

- How to re activate trained volunteers to provide sufficient in-house monitoring at stag/ wedding events
The Program Manger is to work on attracting volunteers.
- OPP partnership
Meeting will be arranged (see Program Manger's report).

Entertainment/Fundraising Sub-Committee

Tim McDonald, Chair

Tim McDonald gave a report and submitted dance profits of \$342.53. Ninety-five people came to the dance.

The Horton Community Centre will hold a Yard & Craft Sale on Saturday July 11, starting at 7am. Tables will be available to rent outside for \$10, or inside for \$20.

Special Events Sub-Committee

Chair Robert Kingsbury

The Program Manager will obtain a list of volunteer organizers from Sharon Bennett, and will notify them of the Canada Day committee meeting on Thursday June 4 at 7pm at the Community Centre.

Public Relations Sub-Committee

Leona Warren, Chair

Leona Warren confirmed the advertising for Canada Day, the Flea Market & Craft Sale, and the ads to attract vendors for July 11, 2009.

- ads for summer volunteers?

If there are any ads to go in for volunteering, the Program Manager will contact Leona Warren.

Rentals & Kitchen Sub-Committee

Sharon Bennett, Chair

Sharon Bennett gave a brief report. She mentioned that the last euchre game and potluck is to be on Thursday, May 28, 2009. Council members have been asked to serve at this affair.

Maintenance Sub-Committee

David Bennett, Chair

Dave Bennett reviewed the Build. Canada grant application and the RINC grant application.

8. Other Business

- Revenue and Expenditures

The Revenues and Expenditures were not available. The Program Manager will review them on Monday May 25, 2009, and include them in the next meeting package.

- Castleford Women's Institute (New Horizon grant for chairs)

Storage for these new chairs will become an issue. We may have to rent storage until our extension is finished.

- Balsam Hill Women's Institute (\$100.00 donation for maintenance & cleaning)

The Program Manager will write a thank you letter.

- Horton Neighbourhood Watch (dissolved & donation)

The Recreation Committee received a donation of \$181.26. A thank you note has been sent.

- Ralph Miller asked about the trees that were going to be planted alongside the road, Mayor Johnston explained that it was taken out of the budget, and that the rink cover would help to solve the light pollution problem from the rink, in place of the proposed treeline.

9. Next Meeting Date

The next Recreation Committee meeting will be Wednesday, June 10, 2009 @ 5:00pm at the Municipal Council Chambers.

10. Confirmation Resolution

Moved by Sharon Bennett; seconded by Dave Bennett

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

Carried.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Arnold Dickson; seconded by Valerie Miller

That the Recreation Committee meeting adjourns at 9:00 p.m.

Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY

Recreation Committee Meeting
May 21, 2009