



Brockton Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Walkerton Community Centre
290 Durham Street West
Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0

1. Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda

Attendance: Bryn Maus, Hayley Murray, Don Moore, Kyle Parks, Jordan Turcotte, James Lang, Trish Serratore, Brad Thomson, Janine Jez

Regrets: Katrina Wei

Motion:

Moved by: J Turcotte

Seconded by: D Moore

That the Brockton Parks and Recreation Committee hereby accept the agenda for the meeting on May 16, 2023 as presented.

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None

3. Adoption of Minutes

Motion:

Moved by: H. Murray

Seconded by: D. Moore

That the Brockton Parks and Recreation Committee hereby approve the minutes from the meeting on April 19, 2023 as presented.

Carried

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None

5. Score Clock

Mr. Holmes from Holm Graphics Inc. presented to council proposal for a LED score clock. Similar to sign at side of Joys. Can be used as clock and advertisement when not used as clock. Brad presented a demonstration.

Requires a tablet to put onto time clock. Concerns by committee include the complexity of the presented clock, what happens when LED lights go out, will puck damage it (or will it require netting to protect), is there a fee for software annually, what type of support is provided for software?

Multiple score clock options were discussed including, LED, LED panels with separate score clock, and score clock with separate LED screen. Four options will be presented to council.

Motion: H. Murray

Seconded: J. Turcotte

The Brockton Parks and Recreation Committee recommend the score clock with the two LED panels and a separate score clock be purchased.

Carried

6. WIFI at Lobies Campground

Enhance WIFI Lobies Campground - staff at Lobies do not have issues as they are hardwired in, but WIFI for campers is not great.

Question whether Brockton wants to offer enhanced WIFI to campground, if so there are two options (free or charge for it).

Current public WIFI has not been working for campers very well, trees seem to block connections.

Committee members feel that with data plans it does not matter to people as much as it once did.

Proposal from Air Rocks Wireless Technology - specialize in campground WIFI (software/setup/customer support \$8800). There is also a cloud subscription, they can log on and fix remotely.

Holms Graphics Inc. proposed \$3000 set up for campground WIFI. Brockton IT reviewed the proposed system, it is not specific to a campground setting, would require high access points and IT would not be able to support this system.

Motion:

Moved by: D. Moore

Seconded by: H. Murray

Committee proposed to leave the campground WIFI as is for this camping season, and have the new Director look into further options.

Carried

7. Policies

7.1 R-Zone

Council adopted Rzone policy.

8. Project Updates

8.1 Header Repairs

Header is being removed tomorrow. Should be completed by end of June.

8.2 Market Garden

Market Garden is on track, company completing work is hoping to be gone by end of May.

Waiting on more top soil to be brought in.

A couple changes along the process, project remains within budget.

8.3 Soccer Pavilion/Washrooms/Parking/Walkways

Waiting on drawings from Domm Construction.

Council approved relocating current parking lot to opposite side. New pathway into soccer field, including 120 parking spots and EV Charging station to be installed.

Current parking lot will be commercial lots held for sale.

Trees are being spaded and spread around the park.

Sonya is working on tender for parking lot.

Construction to start in September to be completed prior to the start of soccer season 2024.

A Committee member suggested adding more curb appeal once sign is moved. Brad mentioned this was the plan, however when the plans developed to move parking lot/sign, it was held off until the sign had been moved to final location.

8.4 Outside Arena Washrooms

Arena washroom just needs paint finished and to reinstall toilets/sinks, for completion.

Committee member suggested adding signage to make washrooms more visible. Brad will look into this.

8.5 Elmwood Playground

Council approved releasing funds for Elmwood playground. Work to begin June 12th with new mulch.

Funding came from Elmwood Playground Reserve.

8.6 Tennis Courts

Presentation being completed to Optimist tomorrow for financial support.

Council accepted tender from Court System Specialist, looking to start second week of July completed by September.

Fundraising - Trish assisted the subcommittee with submitting two application to:

- Ontario Trillium fund

- NWMO

Committee requested a social media post in regards to new tennis courts.

Committee inquired if courts can be put up until construction is being completed, Brad will look into this if it is deemed unsafe.

9. New Business

9.1 Volunteer Appreciation - June 22, 2023

Volunteer Appreciation Event Come and Go Dinner is planned for June 22nd at the Cargill Community Centre from 4:30-6:30pm.

Dinner, entertainment and two awards to be awarded.

Online nominations now available online; due June 1, 2023 by noon.

Brockton Good Neighbour Award

For an individual who has displayed activities that embody a strong sense of values, promoting the positive impact of good neighbourly deeds and contribute to the vitality and fabric of the community.

Walkerton and District Optimist Outstanding Youth Award

The Walkerton and District Optimist Club and the Municipality of Brockton is recognizing outstanding youth and their amazing contributions in our community!

A committee member asked about the trees that Albert planted, beavers have eaten a lot of them off - even with them being wrapped. Brad aware and looking into finding a trapper to remove beavers.

A committee member had an inquired if the pool was going to get the diving board back. Brad said it was taken out due to parts not being able to be replaced and was not safe. Would need to be budgeted for next year. Committee member inquired if reserve could be looked into. Brad going to look into cost with Emma and to see if there are any concerns in getting a new low diving board.

Committee members held a discussion on how to get the community informed and involved in regards to the possibility of a new recreation facility, what the lifespan of the current facility is at, and plans for the new facility at the location at East Ridge Park.

Motion:

Moved by: D. Moore

Seconded by: B. Maus

The Parks and Recreation Committee recommend to form a subcommittee for future recreational facility as originally planned in East Ridge Park.

Carried

10. Next Meeting

Next meeting - doodle poll requested to be sent out closer to date.

11. Adjournment

Motion:

Moved by: J. Turcotte

Seconded by: B. Maus

That the Brockton Parks and Recreation Committee hereby adjourn at 8:24 p.m.

Carried