

Elmwood Community Centre Board Minutes

Tuesday, May 14, 2024
7:00 pm

1. **Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda**

Call to order 7:16 p.m.

Attendance: Ed Stangler, Gillian Irwin, Hazel Pratt, Scott Foerster, Ernie Falkiner

Staff: Steve Lehman, Brad Thomson, Janine Jez, Kodey Hewlett, Collen Gillis

Regrets: Michael Sugden, James Lang, Patsy Becker

That the Elmwood Community Centre Board hereby approves the agenda for the meeting on May 14, 2024, as presented.

2. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

None

3. **Minutes**

Moved by: G. Irwin

Seconded by: E. Falkiner

That the Elmwood Community Centre Board hereby approve the minutes as from the meeting on April 2, 2024, as amended.

Carried

4. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

Electrical Upgrades

E. Falkiner reviewed electrical quotes for electrical upgrades at the Elmwood Community Centre.

Three quotes were obtained, see attached.

Willies Electrical \$3850 +HST

Lang's \$7902.44 including HST.

Richardson \$10816.06 +HST

The cost of the upgrade will be from the Operating Budget.

5.3 Furnace Update

Valve is at the Elmwood Community Centre, E. Falkiner has not had time to replace it yet.

Parking lot expansion - Board to complete a scope of work before B. Thomson can get quotes, will require three quotes. B. Thomson requires size and what material they would like.

5.4 Fire Panel

A quote from Georgian Bay has not been received to date, see quote from 2021 attached.

Bluewater Fire and Security Quote \$11934.78 (does not state if it includes HST)

That the Elmwood community Centre board approve to go ahead with quote from Bluewater to install the fire panel as quoted, from the Capital moved forward from 2023 budget.

Moved by: E. Falkiner

Seconded by: G. Irwin

Carried

5.5 Ball Diamond

Hanover Minor Ball contacted board members and due to not receiving the expected registrations, they will not be using the Elmwood Community Centre Baseball Diamonds.

Elmwood Slo Pitch league is starting Thursdays and Sundays the last week of May, they are a newly formed league.

Diamond Maintenance - Steve drags the diamond as needed.

Board members will arrange to have the baseball field rolled and B. Thomson will have staff aerate.

E. Stangler looking after getting the new bases from Joy's (peg in style), bases were included in the 2024 budget.

B. Thomson will have a home plate brought over to Elmwood.

8.4 Kitchen Update

G. Irwin is going to look after getting required items for kitchen, in the range of \$300.

5. Treasurer's Report

Moved by: S. Foerster

Seconded by: G. Irwin

Carried

That the Elmwood Community Centre Board hereby approves the Treasurer's Report from April 2024.

6. Ongoing Business

6.1 Lions Park - Upgrade Ideas

Surface will need to be removed in order to upgrade the courts. The basketball net could not be left up if the court was surfaced for pickleball.

B. Thomson shared a park design.

- Main cost for project is drainage.

- U10 Pitch, picnic tables, could be completed by staff and staff could assist with the pathway.

- Pickleball courts and playground will be outside company, can use the current playground and add on to it.

- Staff to look for senior grants for pickleball courts.

- Drainage will be required to be completed first.

- E. Stangler has volunteered to get a quote for drainage for the park (farm drainage company he works with).

- Trillium grant comes out yearly, may be able to apply for soccer pitch and drainage.

- Garbage pail is at Lions Park already and porta potty is to be delivered by June 1st.

- Board members discussed adding a basketball, K. Hewlett discussed if the board decides to add in future, it is a simple and low-cost project.

Board members discussed possibly adding a basketball court to Elmwood Community Centre.

- Picnic shelter is structurally okay but could use a little face lift upgrade such as paint.
- Brockton to keep an eye for any upcoming Grants for the Lions Park.
- B. Thomson discussed self-watering planters that Walkerton has started using and mentioned that Elmwood could look into purchasing in the future.

6.2 Heat Study Load

No update currently, defer to next meeting.

6.3 EV Charger Location

C. Gillis discussed the location of the EV Charger, went back to the previous minutes, and did not find a lot of discussion in relation to why the location was picked. C. Gillis discussed with Willie why the location charger was placed where it is.

Lang's priced out to move to edge of sidewalk and build around to make sidewalk wider. Provided a quote for this work \$11 823.04.

Willie provided a quote to move EV charger to parking lot with bollards, will lose one parking spot. The quote was \$4500.

Relocating the charger is a capital project, will require approval from both councils. West Grey and Brockton to take report to council.

That the Elmwood Community Centre Board request the Municipality of Brockton and Municipality of West Grey fund the relocation of the EV Charger due to accessibility and health and safety concerns, to a maximum of \$5000 combined as an unexpected capital expenditure.

Moved by: G. Irwin

Seconded by: E. Falkiner

Carried

7. New Business

7.1 Farmers Week Rental Fees for 2025

Board members discussed Farmers week for 2025 fees. No change to the past agreement with Farmers week.

Set up day - no charge. Renter pays for half of the snow removal and salting fee for the week. Will pay 2024 rates.

7.2 Elmwood Homecoming 2024 Request

C. Gillis updated that she has met with Elmwood Homecoming Committee to go over their plans.

Elmwood Homecoming Committee has requested a small donation from Municipality of Brockton and Municipality of West Grey, they did not request any seed money.

Elmwood Homecoming committee submitted a request for a reduction in fees for 2024 Homecoming.

Board members discussed options for reducing rates. Prices for Homecoming dates:

- Ball diamond Friday to Sunday \$120+HST/day
- Hall Friday - Monday \$495+HST/day
- The hall is not being used Wednesday or Thursday - tent is going in parking lot on Wednesday most likely at request of tent company.
- Pavilion Friday to Sunday \$110+HST/day

Monday is cleanup day.

60% of revenue from Homecoming has been allotted to go back to the community.

Total at full rate is \$3100+HST Wednesday and Monday as set up days, Thursday to Friday full day rental rates.

That the Elmwood Community Centre Board charge the Elmwood Homecoming 2024, \$2000+HST Wednesday August 28, 2024, to Monday September 2, 2024.

Moved by: E. Falkiner

Seconded by: S. Foerster

Carried

8. Next Meeting

Next meeting June 4, 2024, at 7 p.m.

July 9, 2024, at 7 p.m.

August 13, 2024, at 7 p.m.

9. Adjournment

E. Falkiner

S. Foerster

Carried

That the Elmwood Community Centre Board hereby adjourn at 9:08 p.m. to meet again on June 2, 2024.