

Walkerton Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting

Date and Time: September 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: Municipal office meeting room

Attending: Bryn Maus, Albert Zwart, Hayley Murray, Katrina Wei, Barb Nixon, Mike Murphy, Jordan Turcotte

Absent: Kyle Parks, James Lang, Don Moore, Jeremy Wright

Business Items:

1. Call to Order

2. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion: Katrina Wei

Seconded: Hayley Murray

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

N/A

4. Delegation from Committee Member Albert Zwart

Brockton Tree Program

Albert presented his letter. Presented the significance of the Sycamore tree in Walkerton. The background on Albert's letter is that he asked Barb and Justine to provide him with information on what they are doing in Parks with Horticulture and tree's. Albert requested if there were any questions; Hayley suggested to talk to the paper and submit his letter to promote his story. Committee thanked Barb and Albert for their presentation and efforts.

5. Review and Approval of Old Minutes

Motion: Katrina Wei

Seconded: Jordan Turcotte

6. Business Arising from Old Minutes

6.1 Building Condition Assessment

Mike talked generally about the assessment and the benefits for budget process. Talked about looking at requesting a new Recreation master plan to budget for in 2020, and the gaps that currently exist in the current Master Plan. Bryn asked about the direction for the committee to take to use the BCA to leverage a new possible build. Katrina inquired if the horse palace was involved in the BCA which Mike advised it was not, Katrina made the point that the life span of the horse palace system ties into the life of the arena as the second ice pad. Hayley asked if moving forward if a new rec

plan would be the direction we need to take to move forward. Mike agreed that would be the direction to take with Council approval.

6.2 Tree at Westwood

Update: Albert knew met the person who wanted the tree removed. The concerns were that they would like open space for sports and the tree is in the middle of a large area that could be used for soccer or ball. Albert advised that the tree is quite healthy and growing well. Albert recommends that the tree should remain in the park. Barb pruned the tree up higher so that they could play around it without getting hung up on the branches. Committee consensus was to keep the tree.

6.3 Dog Park

Was waiting on levels of the water with the removal of the Truax Dam. Mike updated on what to expect; otherwise no other update

7. Staff Updates

7.1 Optimist Park/surfacing

Road project on track, install equipment week of 16th, poured in place for the week of the 23rd. Some concrete work left to complete; Optimist sign in production to be completed. Electrical conduit run. Old playground may weather winter and remove in the spring.

7.2 CIC Canoe

7.3 Ball Diamond Back Stop

7.4 Soccer Drainage

Completed September 12. Two east fields are complete. Mike has a report going to council sept 24th to request RFP for the remaining fields. Hayley asked about an update on the Soccer Fund Raising committee, mike does not currently have an update

7.5 Boat Launch

CIC taking the lead on the boat launch project. Bryn asked about the run off from the parking lot and advised of the infiltration trench

7.6 Trail issues

Discussed the increased issue on the trails

7.7 The Chiller

Not on site currently, will arrive in October and placed in the first bay beside the compressor room.

7.8 De-Ox Ice making system

7.9 Summer Camp

7.10 Rzone Bullying/Vandalism Policy

Rzone bullying/vandalism policy will go to September 24th Council meeting.

7.11 Lobies Campground

7.12 Fall Programs/Brochure

7.13 Water Line

Completed

7.14 Pool repair

If we can't get a quote soon it will not make to council in time to make repairs. Dave Al wants to present a spray on liner for the pool repair.

7.15 Cameras

Hayley asked if there has been any captured events on camera, Mike had talked about an addition of camera to the splash pad – the rock event was not captured.

8. New Business

Mike discussed an importance of a tree assessment in Walkerton to conduct an inventory check of our trees whether we can in house or to contract an arborist. Katrina Wei asked if a recommendation should come from the rec committee, Mike talked about the reserve ask that will remain in budget and will not create an increase if it remains. For next meeting, Mike or Eric will have a capital list for the committee to review. Bryn agreed that it would be a great idea to have the list to give the committee an opportunity for feedback.

Albert talked about the idea of keeping a team environment and discussed retaining staff. Mike updated that the municipality is looking at how to capitalize on staff retention.

Jordan asked if the next meeting date should align with the first round of budget; Mike discussed emailing prior and Bryn talked about emailing

9. Next Meeting

October 22nd, 2019

10. Adjournment at 8:14 p.m.

Motion: Albert Zwart

Seconded: Katrina Wei