



Town of Paradise
Recreation and Community Services Committee Meeting
Virtual Meeting

February 21, 2022, 4:00 p.m.

Council Present: Elizabeth Laurie, Councillor, Chairperson
Glen Carew, Councillor
Larry Vaters, Councillor
Dan Bobbett, Mayor, Ex-Officio

Staff Present: Lisa Niblock, CAO ***Vacated 6:12pm***
Conrad Freake, Director of Recreation and Community Services
Tina Auchinleck Ryan, Recreation Manager
Courtney Hynes, Administrative Assistant

Guests Present: Canada Games Representative, Karen Sherriff's ***Entered at 4:04pm and vacated at 4:38pm***

1. Safety Moment

Councillor Laurie had presented the committee with a safety moment.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

3. Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes were adopted as circulated.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. New/Other Business

a. Canada Games 2025 - Presentation

There was an overview given to the committee from a Canada Games representative, Karen Sherriff's as part of the upcoming Beach Volleyball event in 2025.

b. Recreation Open Space – Relocation of Mailboxes on Stormont Street

Committee discussed the options for relocation of mailboxes on Stormont Street. Committee recommends option 2 and will relay this information to the Planning Department.

c. Come Home Year Community Clean-up Project

The project for the Come Home Year Community Clean-Up was discussed.

d. Request to use Paradise Park

A request was received from Benjamin Circus in Florida, USA for the use of Paradise Park from July 23rd – 26th, 2022. Staff will have further discussions with the Benjamin Circus and this item will remain on the agenda for the next meeting.

e. City Nature Challenge 2022

An overview on the City Nature Challenge was presented to committee. This item was referred to the Administration and Corporate Services committee for discussion.

f. Accessible Trail assessment – Trans Canada Trail

Results from the Accessible Trail Assessment was circulated to committee for discussion. The recommendation is to include the trails in which are accessible in the T'Railway Signage Plan.

g. Public Health requirements – Feb 21st, 2022

Current operations during the new Public Health requirements as of Feb 21st were discussed.

h. Open Space, Hide – Away Creek Phase 2

Planning and Protective Services had reached out to Recreation and Community Services regarding the open space for Hide Away Creek. Committee is recommending to take open space as passive recreation and not a playground.

i. Solar Lights Paradise Park

Committee discussed 8 solar lights in Paradise Park. Committee recommended placing the lights in the general area as identified by the Infrastructure and Engineering Department. The suggestion was to concentrate most of the lighting towards the dog park while still lighting the walkway.

j. Skate Park

The Skate Park was added to the agenda for discussion. This item was deferred to the next meeting.

k. Active NL Funds

Active NL funding was discussed. Staff will investigate funding opportunities for the department.

l. Canteen Operations

The new food service provider for the canteen is planning to be operational by the end of the week.

6. Old/Reoccurring Business

a. MOU Rotary

The current MOU with Rotary was circulated to the committee for discussion. Staff will prepare an official letter to Rotary and the response will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

b. Elizabeth Park Refresh Final Draft Report – Tract Consulting

Committee discussed the final draft report for the Elizabeth Park Refresh. It was recommended that the final report be posted for community engagement and then brought to the Council meeting on March 15th.

c. Rates and Fees – Turf Fields

The Rates and Fees for the Multi Sport Turf were discussed. This item was deferred to the next meeting.

d. Naming Rights – Recreation Facilities

An overview was given to committee on the history of the naming rights.

e. Outdoor Rinks

Operations for the current outdoor rinks at Milton Road were discussed. It was noted that the only successful time to flood the ice is overnight during negative temperatures. The recommendation is to proceed with flooding the rinks during operational hours only and reassess at the next meeting.

f. Community Garden

Discussions were had on the operations of the Community Garden for the Spring in 2022.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17pm.