



Town of Paradise
Recreation and Community Services Committee Meeting
Virtual Meeting

June 25, 2024, 12:00 p.m.

Council Present: Patrick Martin, Councillor, Chairperson
Glen Carew, Councillor
Dan Bobbett, Mayor, Ex-Officio (*arrived at 12:21 pm*)
Larry Vaters, Councillor
Tommy Maher, Councillor

Staff Present: Lisa Niblock, CAO
Tina Auchinleck Ryan, Director of Recreation and Community Services
Lorie Rumsey, Recreation Manager
Dawn Doody, Administrative Assistant

1. Safety Moment

Councillor Martin shared a safety moment.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted with the addition of one item under 6m.

3. 2025 Canada Games Update

Staff gave an update on the Canada Games progress. Canada Games representatives will be invited to attend a committee meeting in July.

4. Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes were approved and adopted as presented.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. New/Other Business

a. Bleachers Canada Games

Canada Games are looking into supplying grand bleachers for the Volleyball Event and asked if they could use the Towns bleachers elsewhere for other events. Councillor Carew would like it noted that he had concerns on how it will impact our user groups. Committee agreed to allow Canada Games Host Society to borrow the Towns bleachers for the 2025 Canada Games, if a MOU is in place.

b. Woodstock Gardens – Fence Extension

Staff discussed the fencing extension at Woodstock Gardens and agreed to proceed with adding the netting to one end of the basketball court. Committee asked for a timeline for this to be completed.

c. Adams Pond Subdivision - Park

Email correspondence regarding Adams Pond Subdivision was added for committees' information. It was noted that this will be added to 2025 budget discussions.

d. Elizabeth Park Refresh

Committee discussed the ongoing issues in the Elgin Drive area. Staff noted that patrols can be increased for Spectrum Services to three times a night. Staff will also investigate other suggestions and bring back costs associated with it.

e. EDIA Minutes

The minutes for the EDIA Committee were attached for information purposes.

f. Gender Identity Bathroom Signage

Committee discussed the recommendations from the EDIA Committee regarding Gender Identity Bathroom Signage, and all were in support to proceed with implementing signage surrounding Gender identity in all of the Town's facilities.

g. Youth Advisory Committee

Committee were given an update on the progress of the Youth Advisory Committee.

h. The Big Picture

Committee discussed the Big Picture and asked for an update on when the trail construction will commence on Stephanie Drive.

i. Lean Projects

Staff asked for Committee to come up with suggestions for Lean Projects within the Recreation Department.

j. Backyard Ultra Marathon

Committee discussed the request from the Backyard Ultra Marathon organizers and recommended that a donation be sent to the Food Bank on behalf of the group. In addition, the Committee agreed that the Town will enter a MOU.

k. T'Railway Use - T'Railway Trek Half Marathon

Committee discussed an event that the Town of CBS are holding and are in support of the request as long as the Town of CBS are responsible for all details, policing and staffing of the event.

l. Inwood Crescent Open Space

Councillor Maher declared a conflict of interest, Committee agreed and he left the meeting.

Committee discussed the open space land and agreed to uphold the previous decision.

m. Volleyball Request Update

Staff discussed the request from the Volleyball group and advised that a response is required by Friday, June 28. The request that the group are proposing will have to be brought forward to 2025 Budget discussions. Committee recommend that staff respond and ask if there is a way that the group could use the grant for another use.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm.