



Town of Paradise

Recreation and Community Services Committee Meeting

Boardroom Meeting

March 27, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

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

Staff Present: Lisa Niblock, CAO
Tina Auchinleck Ryan, Director of Recreation and Community Services
Tara Lynch, Recreation Operations Manager
Julie Milley, Recreation Manager
Dawn Doody, Administrative Assistant

1. Safety Moment

Councillor Vaters shared a safety moment.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted with the addition of two items under New/Other Business.

3. Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes were approved and adopted as presented.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. New/Other Business

a. Letter of Funding PYSA

A letter of funding from PYSA was circulated for information purposes.

b. Letter of Funding - TRailway

A letter of funding from the T'Railway was circulated for information purposes.

c. Annual Status Report

The annual status report was circulated for Committees information. The funding for 2022 was reallocated to 2023 as per the budget.

d. Building Age Friendly Community Grant Application

Staff advised that an application has been submitted for the Building Age Friendly Community grant.

e. Newfoundland and Labrador Multiculturalism Grant Program (NLMGP) 2022-23

Staff gave an overview of the Newfoundland and Labrador Multiculturalism Grant Program and advised that an application has been submitted.

f. Student Summer Employment - Post Secondary & High School

Staff gave an overview of the Student Summer Employment grant and advised that an application has been submitted. The Town is seeking to partner with Visions Employment to hire two students and committee are in agreement with this recommendation.

g. Diversity Committee - Update

The Expression of Interest for the Town's first Diversity Committee is now closed. Applications will then be reviewed, and committee members will be selected.

h. NLPL Connect Pass - Library Lending Pass Program

Committee discussed the NLPL Connect Pass program and recommend joining the program as a community partner, offering program access to skating, ski and snowshoe equipment, the indoor skatepark, and fitness centre.

i. Teen Challenge Grant

Committee were advised that the Town was successful in securing a Teen Challenge grant and are in the process of allocating the funds to the snowshoe program.

j. Visions Employment Inc - Minutes

The Visions Employment Inc. meeting minutes were circulated for information purposes.

k. Boathouse Update

Staff provided an update on the boathouse meetings that took place with the Avalon Dragons.

l. Adams Pond

Staff advised the Committee that the Adams Pond Crown Land Applications are still in the document phase with Crown Lands.

6. Old/Reoccurring Business

a. Rotary MOU

Staff are currently working on the Rotary MOU and planning a meeting for late April.

b. Snow and Ice in Paradise Event Summary

An overview was given on the Snow and Ice Events. Committee recommend continuing with the three consecutive weekend format for 2024. Staff are looking for new ideas to incorporate with next years event.

c. YMCA Swimming Partnership

Committee discussed a potential partnership with the YMCA for swimming lessons and programming opportunities. Further discussions are required, and staff will bring back to the Committee once details are available.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:49PM.