



Town of Paradise

Recreation and Community Services Committee Meeting

Boardroom/Virtual Meeting

September 12, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

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

Staff Present: Tina Auchinleck-Ryan, Director of Recreation and Community Services
Tara Lynch, Arena Supervisor
Julie Milley, Recreation Manager
Courtney Hynes, Administrative Assistant

Council Absent: Glen Carew, Councillor

Staff Absent: Lisa Niblock, CAO

1. Safety Moment

The committee was presented with a safety moment.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted as circulated with four additional items for discussion.

3. Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes were adopted as presented. Councillor Vaters had requested updates regarding two Old/Reoccurring Business items on Playgrounds and Elizabeth Park Wetlands.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

Two additional Old/Reoccurring Business items were added for discussion.

5. New/Other Business

a. Beaumont Hamel Cup – 5 Year Agreement Dates

Committee discussed the request from Beaumont Hamel Cup to revise the dates in their current 5-year agreement. Committee agreed to approve the new dates for the Beaumont Hamel Cup to run from 2023-2027.

b. Community Skating – Fall 2022 & Winter 2023 Schedule

The recommendation for the fall community skating schedule was reviewed. It was agreed to begin the regular community skating schedule for the fall after thanksgiving, October 11th.

c. Holiday Community Skating

Committee was informed about the Holiday Community Skating sessions that are scheduled for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. It was noted that there will be no admission charged but residents will be asked to provide non-perishable food items for the food bank.

d. Seasonal Holiday Operating Hours

The operating hours for the upcoming holiday season was provided to the committee.

e. Fall Events Schedule

The upcoming fall events schedule was circulated to committee.

f. T'Railway Opening

The Director had brought forward an item regarding the T'Railway opening in October for discussion. It was noted this will be a media event.

g. Woodstock Opening

The grand opening for the Woodstock Gardens to be held on October 2nd was noted. It was noted this would be a community event with no media invite.

h. Adams Pond Amenities

The Director had given an update regarding the Adams Pond Amenities. A comment received from a resident regarding their great experience with staff while purchasing a memorial bench on Adams Pond was brought forward by the mayor.

i. Turf Opening

The grand opening for the Multi Sport Turf Field was discussed. Committee is in favor of having the opening at a time in which all involved sporting groups are available to attend. It was noted that it will be held either at the end of this fall season or at the beginning of the next season in the spring.

6. Old/Reoccurring Business

a. Fitness Centre Policy

The Director had provided committee with an update on the Fitness Centre Policy.

b. Avalon Dragons MOU - Boathouse

An update on the boathouse and the MOU with the Avalon Dragons was provided.

c. Playgrounds Update

Committee was provided an update regarding the playground structures throughout the town in which were removed due to safety concerns. It was noted a further update will be provided at the next Public Works committee meeting.

d. Elizabeth Park Wetlands Update

The Director had noted that Departments are reviewing the plans to stay within budget on the Wetlands in Elizabeth Park and a further update will be brought to the next meeting.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:31pm and move into a Privileged meeting.