
South Frontenac Recreation Committee Minutes

Monday, August 17, 2015

Attendance: Chair Mike Howe, Vice-Chair Dan Bell, Councillor Pat Barr, Councillor Mark Schjerning
Councillor Bill Robinson, Alvin Wood, Kevin Fox, Tim Laprade, Paul Wash, Pam Morey,
Wolfe Erlichman,

Regrets: Councillor Norm Roberts

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of Minutes – Monday, May 25, 2015

Motion to approve the minutes from Monday, May 25, 2015.

Moved by: Paul Wash

Seconded by: Kevin Fox

Carried

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

- No news to report.

4. Presentations/Delegations

1. Chris Lucas & Peter Griesbach: Sydenham Athletic Club

- Chris and Peter spoke regarding the difficulties reaching an agreement between the schoolboard and the faculty and there is a possibility that there will be no extracurricular activities this year for students.
- They are investigating possible solutions to allow for students to be involved with sports this year in the event that there are none available directly through Sydenham High School. One possibility is to form a group that is designated as a community organization and rent space to hold practices and games for various sports with the assistance of volunteers. Chris and Peter came to the SFRC looking for suggestions and direction as to how to proceed, in terms of township involvement, if the concept becomes a project.
- Chris and Peter have the support of SFRC in facilitating the further incorporation of sports and recreation in the lives of children in the area in the possible absence of opportunity within the school.
- Chris and Peter will provide Tim Laprade with updates as the situation develops.

2. Stephanie Sciberras Bkin, MHSc, KFL&A Public Health

- Stephanie provided information regarding her role with KFL&A Public Health and how they have developed parks, trails and open space to encourage and promote healthy, active living in the Kingston area. She discussed ways in which she and Public Health can assist in planning and developing of similar initiatives in South Frontenac Township.

5. New Business

a. Triathlon update and discussion on future of event

- The 5-year agreement with Somersault has now expired.
- Tim Laprade's suggestion is to have an RFP process for hosting the event.

b. Canada Day update and discussion of future events

- A hard copy of the expenditures was distributed and discussed by the committee.
- Tim Laprade suggests ordering all of the fireworks together in order to lower costs and increase the entertainment value. Quotes will be requested from various companies for 2016.
- The fireworks show was excellent this year and the community was very happy with the quality of the show.
- All grants will be submitted individually in order to receive the appropriate funding.

c. Motion from SDRC (Monday, June 22nd)

- The SFRC briefly discussed the motion and Chair Mike Howe suggested that it be decided by SDRC as the local committee knows and understands the needs of each specific community group and can decide on the appropriate donation amount.

6. Updates

a. Summer Camp/Swim Program Update

- Registration numbers are continuing to decline.
- Significant vandalism was reported at McMullen, Gilmour and at The Point.
- There was an increase in new staff and it was an adjustment for everyone to work together.
- The full report will be presented to Council in the near future.
- A survey will be distributed to parents/caregivers specifically looking at why they chose that particular site to send their kids to summer camp.

b. Update on Point Park Shoreline Restoration

- Plans are on hold while waiting for drawings, details and specifications to be adjusted. The final plans are expected by August 24, 2015.
- The adjustments that are being made are; adjusting the height and depth of the retaining wall, incorporation of an accessible path, better access to the deep side of the swimming area, reduced pebbled area and increased sandy area.

c. Point Field Repairs Update

- No Bubba Bowl will be held this year because of the repairs to the football field.
- Fencing of the facility is extremely important to protect it from vandalism.

Motion

THAT the South Frontenac Recreation Committee consider fencing all outdoor recreation facilities.

Moved by: Kevin Fox

Seconded by: Paul Wash

Carried

d. 5 Year Plan

- The two main pieces to consider and further discuss are the capital budget items and the operational budget items.
- A hard copy was distributed and discussed by the committee.
- The final approval for capital budget items will be at the next SFRC meeting on September 21. They will then be presented to CAO, Wayne Orr, by September 24 and then to Council on October 13 and 24.

e. Volunteer Recognition Awards: Staff recommendation

- The committee is to review the hard copy of Volunteer Recognition Award information and review it with their district committees. Comments and suggestions will be reviewed at the SFRC meeting on September 21.

f. Capital and Maintenance

- Playground equipment has been installed at Wilmer Park and will be installed at Centennial Park this week.

g. District Committee updates

- Tennis lessons were successful in Verona this summer.
- The South Frontenac museum is now open.

Motion of Recognition

I would like to take a moment to formally congratulate the members of this committee who are involved in the Portland and District Heritage Society on the opening of the South Frontenac Museum, and take this opportunity to thank you for your hard work and persistence to see this project come to fruition.

Moved by: Alvin Wood

Seconded by: Dan Bell

Carried

Next Meeting: Monday, September 21, 2015 & October 26

Adjournment: 8:05 p.m.

Recording Secretary: Sarah Vandewal