

South Frontenac Recreation Committee Minutes

Date: September 18, 2017

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Council Chambers

Attendance: Chair Pam Morey, Vice-Chair Donna Brown, Councillor Pat Barr, Councillor John McDougall, Councillor Norm Roberts, Councillor Mark Schjerning, Linda Bates, Kevin Fox, Tracy Holland, Mike Howe, Alvin Wood.

Staff: Tim Laprade, Arena & Recreation Supervisor, Mark Segsworth, Public Works Manager, Jamie Brash, Facilities and Solid Waste Supervisor, Angela Maddocks, Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Linda Bates Seconded by Pat Barr That the minutes of the August 21, 2017 meeting be approved. Carried.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

Pam Morey questioned the recent article in the Frontenac News about a dog park at Centennial Park in Harrowsmith. The committee had received a delegation about the development of a dog park at the meeting in June and someone else has come to Council asking for a dog park. She sought clarity in how requests for additional recreational programs and facilities are dealt with as the committee had not been aware of the delegation to Council; what process is more effective and does this diminish the role of SFRC?

Council members noted that anyone can request delegation status to appear before Council.

Councillor Roberts agreed to discuss this concern with Wayne Orr, CAO.

Linda Bates has organized the drone and it is scheduled for October 5, 2017 starting at Prince Charles Public School in Verona at 9:00 am. Anyone interested in being in one of the photographs is to let Linda know so that she can provide a bit of notice as they move from school to school.

Tracy Holland questioned advertising for public input on the 2018 budget as it has not yet been posted on the township website.

4. New Business

a. 2017 Capital and Maintenance Budget

- The committee worked through the proposed capital budget items with Jamie Brash and Mark Segsworth on the basis of maintaining existing facilities rather than additional facilities/programming initiatives.
- Mark Segsworth noted that there is about \$150,000.00 going into the Parkland Reserve annually and this doesn't meet the needs for maintaining existing facilities. There has been a fund built into the long term capital budget to address recreation however this requires the approval of Council. The \$822,000.00 presented in the draft is not realistic and needs to be prioritized.
- Some items were identified as part of long term financial planning (there should be a 5 year capital plan specific to recreation facilities) and allocated over a number of years accordingly, these included:
 - Gilmour Point Building \$150,000.00 in 2018, \$250,000.0 in 2019

- Purchase of adjacent land at Centennial Park to allocate in Long Term Plan
- Tennis Court Fencing/Netting at The Point reduced from \$20,000.00 to \$10,000.00
- Dog Park and Splash Pad Feasibility Study at Centennial Park both reduced from \$10,000.00 to \$5000.00 in the 2018 budget.
- Resurface Tennis Court & 1 New Tennis Court at Gerald Ball Memorial

 reduced to \$10,000.00 in 2018 budget
- Outdoor Movie Screen & Equipment to include in Long Term Plan, not in 2018 budget
- Playground Equipment for Wilmer Park deferred until 2019
- Other Playground Equipment Inverary Ball Park//Gerald Ball Memorial

 deferred. There was discussion around the intent for the playground
 equipment policy and whether it was intended for new structures only or
 for repairs/upgrades to existing.
- The Committee discussed the expectation of increased use of recreation facilities. South Frontenac has grown to a point that funding from just the Parkland Reserve is no longer working and a suggestion as made for a special levy for recreation going forward.

5. Updates

a. Recreation Capital and Maintenance Project Updates

- This item was included in part of the discussion in Agenda Item 4. a.

b. Fall Parks Tour

- A parks tour is scheduled for Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. The tour will include the sites/projects identified in the capital budget. The route and place of departure to be determined.

c. Canada 150th Celebrations

- A wrap up and debriefing is scheduled for September 30 at the S & A Hall in Harrowsmith for those involved in the organization of events.
- The road rally was a big success with 139 people involved, lots of fun for everyone.

d. Summer Program Report - n/a

e. Splash Pad Feasibility Report

- Tim Laprade has drafted a report based on costs associated with a splash pad both separate and connected to municipal water that includes operating costs and ongoing maintenance.

f. District Committee Updates

i. Storrington

- No additional news to report.

ii. Loughborough

 The district committee received a delegation from Joan Hirschhorn who made a presentation on the need for tennis courts.

iii. Portland

- No additional news to report.

iv. Bedford

- No additional news to report

6. Chair to sign off on meeting attendance

7. Next Meeting: Monday, October 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

8. Adjournment:

Moved by Linda Bates

Seconded by Tracy Holland

Recording Secretary: Angela Maddocks