

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

Recreation Committee Meeting

July 11th, 2024

9:30 a.m.

There was a Meeting of the Recreation Committee held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Thursday July 11th, 2024. Present were Chair Doug Humphries, Councillor Glen Campbell, Public Advisory Members Claire Rouble and Sharon Bennett. Staff in attendance was Hope Dillabough, CAO/Clerk– Recording Secretary.

Mayor Bennett sent his regrets.

Debby Johnston and Terry Runtz were also present.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Humphries called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

3. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Moved by Councillor Campbell

Seconded by Sharon Bennett

THAT the Recreation Committee approve the June 13th, 2024 Minutes.

Carried

4. i) Terry Runtz - Discussion

Terry Runtz, resident of Horton, was present to discuss fundraising opportunities for the Recreation Committee. He expressed how important and beneficial it would be to have a concrete slab on the rink surface so that it could be used year-round with different sports and events. It was discussed that staff obtain estimates for pricing for a slab, piping to understand the costs. It was discussed that these upgrades would be funded through fundraising initiatives. Mr. Runtz also provided some new fundraising ideas to the group, for example: golf tournament, fishing derby, men's 3x3 hockey tournament etc.

Moved by Claire Rouble

Seconded by Councillor Campbell

THAT the Recreation Committee recommend to Council to direct Public Works Manager to obtain estimates for the following:

- Concrete pad – rink surface
- Piping under rink surface
- Parking lot – Paving and lines

Carried

ii) Canada Day Review

CAO/Clerk Dillabough provided an update. There were 476 Attendees for Breakfast, comprised of children under 6, children 6-12 and Adults. It was a great day and well attended. Many compliments were made how wonderful the breakfast was as well as the other events held that morning: Magic Show, face painting, colouring contest, Fire Department activities, etc. Some comments were made regarding the parking lot and how busy it was. It was discussed that next year there be volunteers to help with parking and sightlines. Debby Johnston was present to discuss how the kitchen went and what food they ran out of and what was left over. There were a lot of volunteers that helped the event run smoothly.

5. NEW BUSINESS

The Committee expressed the desire to have both Terry Runtz and Debby Johnston join as Public Advisory Members given their steady involvement and interest in the Committee.

Moved by Sharon Bennett

Seconded by Claire Rouble

THAT the Recreation Committee recommend to Council to approve Terry Runtz and Debby Johnston as Public Advisory Members to the Recreation Committee.

Carried

Claire Rouble discussed the interest in applying to the Festival of Small Halls for 2025 and if successful then there would be further discussion. Committee was very favourable of this recommendation and there was consensus for Claire to move forward with the application.

There will be more advertising done to solicit for Bartenders, both volunteer and paid positions for the Community Centre.

The Country Dances were discussed. There has been an interest in the Committee to look into holding the Country Dances on a Sunday Afternoon versus a Friday night. There was consensus from the Committee to try the Dances on Sunday Afternoons for the months of September and October and measure the interest from there. It was discussed that perhaps there may be more attendees as well as more people willing to volunteer to help with them if held in the afternoon.

6. NEXT MEETING:

September 12th, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in Council Chambers

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Humphries declared the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

CHAIR Doug Humphries

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough