

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

Recreation Committee Meeting

July 16, 2021

9:30 a.m.

There was a Meeting of the Recreation Committee held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Friday July 16th, 2021. Present were Chair Doug Humphries, Mayor Dave Bennett and Public Advisory Members Barb Dickson and Sharon Bennett. Staff in attendance was Amanda Ryan Receptionist/Clerk– Recording Secretary.

Public Advisory Member Ralph Miller sent regrets.

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 expressed by Members of the Committee.

3. **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Moved by Sharon Bennett

Seconded by Barb Dickson

THAT the Recreation Committee approved the June 18th, 2021 Minutes

Carried

4. **OPEN ISSUES/REPORTS:**

i. Ontario Winter Games - 2022

Mayor Bennett stated that Peter Emon updated those at County Council relaying that closer to the time, an email will go out to determine which local area groups will be willing to help, and response will be handled by one person on the event committee.

ii. Horton Recreation Association (HRA)

Chair Humphries reported that nothing has been done to date. Mayor Bennett expressed that the calls should be made to those who were part of the creation of the draft be contacted to gather with a plan of presenting the plan to council in September.

iii. Beer Return Update

Ms. Ryan reported that in order for the return to happen and a credit be made to the account, the Beer Store truck would have to be scheduled to come and retrieve the sealed, never opened cases. It was agreed that should there be 5 or more qualifying cases, the pick-up would be scheduled. If less than that, the contents of the bottles would be dumped, and the empties taken back.

iv. ParticipACTION Update

Public Advisory Member Sharon Bennet stated that everything was submitted to ParticipACTION as per the information on the Facebook page. Ms. Ryan added that we made it into the top five in Ontario.

v. Fence Around Property

Mayor Bennett expressed that there is no rush in putting up the fence at this point in time as it would limit the current versatility of the use of the land.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

i. 3rd Phase of Re-opening Particulars

Ms. Ryan stated the maximums that are allowable in and outside the community center based on current Ontario Regulations.

ii. Proper Cleaning of Hall

Dave McMaster is to be letting us know by the end of the day if he will be returning from his lay off to take back the caretaker of the hall position. Should he choose not to fulfill his previous roll, the cleaning will have to be contracted out.

iii. Fruit Fundraiser

Ms. Ryan posed the question about moving forward with the fruit fundraiser. There have been numerous calls coming into the office asking about it. For the time being, names and numbers are being taken. Ms. Ryan stated she has sent out an email to the fruit supplier asking about the cost of product and delivery. Upon receipt of the details, a decision will be made via email.

6. STAFF/MEMBER CONCERNS:

Public Advisory Member Sharon Bennett stated she would like to host a craft sale in August. Ms. Ryan will forward information from years past and reach out to the Health Unit to ask about what can and cannot be allowed. A date of August 21st has been set in the calendar.

Chair Humphries stated there is some work to be done in the change rooms. The walls should be painted and the floor sealed due to moisture. Mayor Bennett added that the washrooms may need a quick upgrade as we currently have a unisex washroom, and this may need to be changed due to COVID.

Public Advisory Member Barb Dickson expressed that Euchre does not usually start until September and depending on how the state of the province is with the current pandemic, a decision will be made at that time.

Mayor Bennett stated that there is still the \$17000 of Hoedown debt that was scheduled to be paid back by the end of this year. With the pandemic, unfortunately payback will not happen. He recommended that perhaps to kick start the reopening of the community center and as the Province opens, that an outside catering group be hired to cook for a the recreation committee to host a food event.

i. **NEXT MEETING:**

Regular scheduled meeting

i. September 17, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in Council Chambers

i. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Humphries declared the meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

CHAIR Doug Humphries

CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough