

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

## Recreation Committee Meeting

April 8, 2022

10:00 a.m.

There was a Meeting of the Recreation Committee held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Friday April 8th, 2022. Present were Chair Doug Humphries, Mayor Dave Bennett and Public Advisory Members Sharon Bennett and Ralph Miller. Staff in attendance was and Amanda Ryan Receptionist/Clerk– Recording Secretary.

Public Advisory Member Barb Dickson sent regrets.

### 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Humphries called the meeting to order at 10:00 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 Ralph Miller

**THAT** the Recreation Committee approved the March 18th, 2021 Minutes.

**Carried**

### 4. **OPEN ISSUES/REPORTS:**

#### i. Ontario Winter Games – 2022

Mayor Bennett stated that the event will still go ahead in the future. Although the current CAO Mr. Moreau will be retiring, Peter Emon has a good grasp of the information required to make the event run smoothly.

#### ii. Horton Recreation Association (HRA)

Mayor Bennett stated that council has approved the publicizing for the request for volunteers to create the HRA. Ms. Ryan stated that based on the timing of the production of the newspaper, the information was submitted in the Horton Corner the day after council's approval and will be out the following week.

- iii. Dances  
Ms, Ryan to get in touch with Ms. Bauer to pick a date for a Spring dance.
- iv. Bar & Stocking  
Chair Humphries reported that everything has been dumped, including coolers and pop. Water and ice will be dumped as well as the ice becomes freezer burned and the water in bottles had floating particles.
- v. Easter  
Chair Humphries stated that there were no individuals who wanted to take the lead on the event, and unfortunately was not going ahead this year.
- vi. Gravel Cup  
Chair Humphries stated that he has not heard anything further.
- vii. Horseshoes  
Ms. Ryan stated that she was speaking with Lisa Branje regarding running the horseshoe league for the summer. She and Mr. Benoit will run the event for the season again this year. Ms. Ryan to work with them to determine start dates, advertising, etc.
- viii. Ms. Ryan updated the committee on the progress of the Trivia Night event happening on the 30<sup>th</sup> of April. Public Advisory Miller expressed that he wants to tend bar at the event. Chris Kyte is willing to emcee the event. Ms. Ryan is creating the trivia questions and has been in touch with Judy Kunopaski to determine a limited menu to compliment the evening.
- ix. Ms. Ryan informed the committee that in speaking with Ms. Kunopaski, there was expressed interest in running the kitchen provided there were enough volunteers. Mayor Bennett suggested that reaching out to neighbouring municipalities to see what they are doing to ensure there is no competition for breakfast would be a place to start. Ms. Ryan is to reach out to neighbouring municipalities to ask what they plan on doing to celebrate the day in their township.

## 5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- i. Fencing around ice surface  
Discussion on whether volunteers or contractors should put up the fence was held. For liability reasons, it was felt best to hire a contractor to install the fence due to the height of the install.

Moved by Ralph Miller

Seconded by Sharon Bennett

**THAT** the Recreation Committee would like the Manager of Public Works, Adam Knapp to take the fencing task to the Transportation and Environmental Services Committee to determine what contractors would be able to take care of putting up the fence by Request for Quotation (RFQ).

**Carried**

**6. STAFF/MEMBER CONCERNS:**

Public Works Manager Adam Knapp reviewed his report and recommendations for the Community Centre with regards to the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program, Design and Application (GICB) Tender that closed the previous week. Mayor Bennett expressed that the Recreation purse should not be depleted and the funds for this upgrade should come from another source.

Moved by Ralph Miller

Seconded by Sharon Bennett

**THAT** the Recreation Committee would like the recommendation brought forward by the Manager of Public Works Adam Knapp to be presented to council to decide on the action forward.

**Carried**

Mr. Knapp also updated the committee of the works completed at the boat launch area and that the Public Works department will have the launch ready to go for the long weekend in May as scheduled.

Mayor Bennett expressed concern about acquiring land at the council level and it should be done before the current council becomes lame duck.

Mayor Bennett suggested that the Soccer field receive a few loads of topsoil. Ms. Ryan to ask Public Works Manager Adam Knapp to see that this task is completed.

**i. NEXT MEETING:**

Regular scheduled meeting

**i. May 20, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in Council Chambers**

**i. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Humphries declared the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

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CHAIR Doug Humphries

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CAO/Clerk Hope Dillabough