MINUTES RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2016 6:30 PM INGREDION CENTRE, CARDINAL

Present: Deputy Mayor Taylor, Chair

Councillor Morrell

Lucas Billet Clint Cameron Sandra Gibbons Ray Heuvel Kristina Kinos

Regrets: Don Deline

Pat Tierney Liz Wood

Mayor Sayeau (ex officio)

Staff: Shelbi Deacon, Community Development Coordinator

Sheena Earl, Committee Secretary

Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Deputy Mayor Taylor proposed an amendment to the agenda to allow for a delegation from Mr. Charlie Burrell with respect to a proposed residential development in the village of Cardinal as item 5b).

Moved by: C. Cameron seconded by: K. Kinos that the agenda be approved as amended with the addition of item 5b) Charlie Burrell – Residential Development in Village of Cardinal.

Carried

Councillor Morrell noted that he would be leaving the meeting early to attend another engagement.

- 3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest None
- 4. Business Arising from Previous Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes (if any) None

5. Delegations & Presentations

The items under section 5. Delegations & Presentations were reviewed in reverse order beginning with item 5b) at the request of the Chair.

b) Mr. Charles Burrell – Residential Development in Village of Cardinal

Mr. Burrell provided members with a rendering of a proposed residential development in the village on Cardinal on property currently owned by the municipality. The land disposal process was discussed and it was noted that the area of interest had not been declared surplus by the Township and that discussion on this topic had not taken place at the Council table. Zoning of the aforementioned property was discussed as was Mr. Burrell's commitment to develop a senior's recreation complex if granted permission to build the residential units. Details with respect to the proposed recreation complex specifically were discussed with Mr. Burrell.

a) Ingredion Centre Tour

Members toured the Ingredion Centre and walking track.

Discussion Items

a) Meeting Locations

Members briefly discussed the meeting location schedule which was proposed to be a rotation between different municipal facilities. The next meeting will be held at the South Centre in Johnstown and meetings will be scheduled for the second Thursday of each month.

b) Galop Canal Discussions

Deputy Mayor Taylor provided a review of discussions from the Community Development Committee to date with respect to the Galop Canal areas including a list of suggestions and recommendations gathered from the public meeting on the topic held in November.

A suggestion was made to identify the area and greater Township as a "Healthy Living" area with a focus on recreation and healthy lifestyles as a focus and vision for the Committee while addressing smaller, individualized issues within that broad vision. The mandate of the Recreation Advisory Committee and function with respect to recommendations to Council was reviewed and clarified for new members. Members discussed existence of a "Friends of the Galop Canal" group in a neighbouring municipality and additional information was requested regarding this group.

Weed control, swimming ladders, and liability and insurance issues were discussed.

Moved by: R. Heuvel seconded by: K. Kinos that Committee recommends that Council introduce weed control measures for the Head Locks, area west of Legion Park and area at the east end extension of Dundas Street.

Carried

It was noted that weed control spending was not outlined in the Recreation budget to actual sheets provided in the agenda package and it was asked whether grants or funding existed for the control of noxious weeds such as poison parsnip.

It was clarified that the mandate of the Committee was to review recreation-type opportunities for the entire Township, not just for the Galop Canal areas. Deputy Mayor Taylor requested that this item be included on each Recreation Advisory Committee agenda for further discussion and recommendations to Council.

c) Facilities Review

A partial list of facilities throughout the municipality was reviewed and it was agreed that tours of each facility and open spaces would be a useful exercise for the Committee in the spring. Staff was requested to provide a copy of the 2016 recreation budget once adopted by Council. Some facilities not identified on the list were noted for inclusion and it was requested that Committee focus on each hamlet/village in detail at future meetings.

d) New Ideas Brainstorming

Deputy Mayor Taylor said that discussions and brainstorming had taken place throughout the entire meeting but invited additional suggestions. The Township's online facilities booking system was noted as a useful and informative resource. Soliciting of donations through targeted signage at various recreational areas of the Township such as at the boat launch and head locks was discussed. This topic is to be discussed further at the next meeting.

Action/Information Items

a) 2015 Recreation Budget to Actual

The 2015 Recreation Budget to Actual as provided had been referred to earlier in the meeting. Staff was asked to outline the Council proposed Recreation Coordinator position and application to the Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund grant program details. Potential tasks and implications of this position were discussed.

- 8. Inquiries/Notices of Motion None
- Question Period

It was noted that the Cardinal tennis courts had been used for ball hockey recently and a question was raised with respect to whether baseball teams are charged for the use of the Township diamonds. It was suggested that donations be collected at the Legion and that groups which use the headlocks area regularly be asked to consider donating.

Deputy Mayor Taylor was asked why the Galop Canal discussion had moved from the Community Development Committee to the Recreation Advisory Committee without any discussion. Members discussed this change and it was noted that it is still within the mandate of the Community Development Committee to discuss Galop Canal further and that collaboration between the committees is encouraged.

Ideas such as the "Health Lifestyle" vision were supported by members of the gallery.

- 10. Closed Session None
- 11. Adjournment

Moved by: K. Kinos seconded by: R. Heuvel that Committee does now adjourn at 9:04pm.

Carried

These minutes were approved in open Council this 25th day of February, 2016

Chair