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**MINUTES
RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2018
6:30PM
CARDINAL INGREDION CENTRE**

Present: Deputy Mayor Taylor, Chair
Mayor Sayeau (ex officio)
Ray Heuvel
Lucas Billett
Clint Cameron

Regrets: Sandra Gibbons

Staff: Shelbi McFarlane, Community Development Coordinator
Annie MacLean, Recreation Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: R. Heuvel seconded by: C. Cameron that Committee approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest – None

4. Business Arising from Previous Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes (if any)
– None

5. Delegations and Presentations

a) Linda Holmes and Anne Marie Dupont – Township Residents

Ms. Holmes and Ms. Dupont discussed recreation ideas with the committee. Currently presenters both participate in various fitness programs at an indoor pool in South Mountain known as the Pursuit of Happiness. Ms. Holmes requested subsidy from the township to cover the costs for seniors who use the pool in South Mountain.

The presenters also suggested that the Township partner with the Walker House in Prescott and assist in bus trips - allowing for pickup spots within the township. Other suggestions included Spencerville opening a facility similar to the Walker House and that the Township offer kayaks and rowing at the waterfront.

Committee members determined that subsidizing costs for the South Mountain pool is not in the Townships best interest. There was discussion around the YMCA bus that offers a free pick up in Cardinal and goes to the YMCA, providing the opportunity for fitness programs for seniors.

Committee discussed partnering with the Walker House and suggested that staff reach out to Walker House. Committee also discussed the kayaking and rowing. Deputy Mayor Taylor will further discuss kayaking in the township when she presents her Living Healthy Draft Report.

Ms. Holmes and Ms. Dupont expressed interest in becoming members of the Recreation Advisory Committee. Staff will follow up with them via telephone.

6. Discussion Items

a) Recreation Survey

Committee reviewed the survey and discussed its intent, noting that it should be used to bring awareness to the recreation offerings in the Township. It was determined that a separate survey would be needed to address daycare needs. The idea of getting e-mail addresses off of a paid database was discussed. It was suggested that staff look into the School Board survey regarding daycare.

b) Eyes in the Community

Committee members discussed snowmobiling and ice fishing.

7. Action/ Information Items

a) Living Healthy Draft Report

Deputy Mayor Taylor presented the Living Healthy Draft Report to the Committee. Deputy Mayor Taylor discussed that \$10,000 has been requested in the 2018 budget to put towards the creation of an accessible dock in Cardinal, with South Nation Conservation to match the township funds.

b) Recreation Coordinator Report

The Recreation Coordinator reviewed the provided report.

c) February Crafts and Skate

Moved by: L. Billett seconded by: P. Sayeau that a craft/skate night take place on Friday, February 9th at the Ingredion Centre in Cardinal during the scheduled public skating time.

Carried

d) Card Club

Committee discussed a Card Club taking place at the Ingridion Centre in Cardinal after the Adult Skate Program. It is recommended that staff ask Lorne Bender and SERA if the Township is able to borrow the card tables for the event.

Moved by: P. Sayeau seconded by: L. Billett that a card club be established one morning a week and that cards be provided for the community members to use during this time.

Carried

e) Text to Donate

Committee discussed Text to Donate and staff recommendation to no longer pursue a text to donate program due to poor potential for any return on investment. Committee agreed that until new technology is discovered there will be no further discussions on this subject.

8. Inquiries/Notices of Motion from Committee Members

Comments and Discussion surrounded the following items:

- Rural houses access to Recreation – North of the Township
- Movies in the Park – Ingridion
- Lack of members in Bridge Club
- Old pictures of Cardinal

9. Question Period – None

10. Closed Session – None

11. Adjournment

Moved by: L. Billett seconded by: P. Sayeau that Committee does now adjourn at 8:03pm.

Carried

These minutes were approved in open Council this 22nd day of January 2018.



Chair



Recreation Coordinator