

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Recreation and Parks meeting convened 7:00 pm in the Town Council Chambers on the above date. Chairman Dave Porter presiding.

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Cam Beaton and Councillor Alta Munroe; Paul Buder and Shawn McNamara

**ALSO PRESENT:** Michelle Young, Recreation Co-ordinator  
Jo-Anne McNamara, Meeting Recorder

**REGRETS:** Lindy Quann, Camille Davidson and Krista Fulton

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Dave Porter called the meeting to order.

#### **1.0 REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES**

Minutes of the May meeting were reviewed.

#### **2.0 APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

***PRP-09-30-14-1341***

MOVED: C. Beaton  
SECONDED: A. Munroe

MOTION: To approve the agenda as circulated with three (3) additions:  
New Business  
c) Canada Sport Day  
d) Christmas Light Up  
e) Recreation Access Policy  
MOTION CARRIED

#### **3.0 CORRESPONDENCE - none**

#### **4.0 CONTINUING BUSINESS**

##### **Quarry**

The Committee feels there is a lot of potential for the Quarry area. A meeting was scheduled to be held at the Quarry Pond area during the summer but it was cancelled due to weather. It was suggested that this could be a great area to hold some of our Winter Carnival activities. Michelle is going to ask James MacLeod to have a look at the area. A meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 at the Quarry. It was suggested to video tape the area and show at our next meeting for members who may not be able to make the meeting.

**Youth Center**

Aviva Community Fund competition is presently underway and members from AA Munroe and Aviva met with Dave Porter suggesting that the Youth Centre enter. Project proposals must have a positive impact in your community; ideas are then entered in the Aviva Community Fund competition and voted on. There is a prize win up to \$100,000. There are three rounds to the competition with the next one beginning October 20. Dave will put together an idea for the Youth Centre.

Locations to house the Youth Centre were suggested; Pictou Kinsmen Hall and the IOOF Hall.

**5.0 NEW BUSINESS****a. Jitney Trail**

Michelle updated the Committee on the project along the Jitney Trail and connections that they would like to see from senior's housing complexes to the trail. It was also suggested to look into developing an area where people can put their canoe/kayak/paddle boats in the water from the Jitney.

Active Pictou County has acquired equipment that will track usage of the trail. Michelle is going to make use of this equipment to observe and collect data on the usage along the Jitney.

**b. Winter Carnival – tabled until next meeting****c. Canada Sport Day**

Canada Sport Day will be held on Saturday, November 29. Last year's event was successful and the committee would like to participate again this year; the Royal Bank will be a sponsor again this year. Michelle will review the programs that were successful last year and work on a schedule for this year.

**d. Christmas Light Up**

The Christmas Light Up will be held on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Michelle will send out an email to people who may be interested in sitting on the committee. Michelle reported that she has met with Michelle LeBlanc (Evening Sails) and Michelle Davey (McCulloch Heritage) begin planning various events to be held starting in November through to Christmas.

**e. Recreation Access Policy**

Our department does not have a policy to assist individuals who cannot afford to participate in recreational programs. Michelle has dealt with several requests that do not fall under regular funding programs. Recreation Departments in the county are meeting on Thursday, October 2 to work on a Recreation Access Policy with the assistance of Mike Arthur from the Heart and Stroke Association. Michelle is unable to attend and

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asked if a committee member would be available; Dave offered and will let Michelle know.

**6.0 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 28th. The minutes will be emailed to the Committee along with the agenda prior to our next meeting.

**7.0 ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED: C. Beaton

*PRP-09-30-14-1342*

SECONDED: S. McNamara

MOTION: That the meeting adjourn.  
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVED

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Joseph F. Hawes  
Mayor

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Scott W. Conrod  
CAO