

PICTOU RECREATION & PARKS MEETING

FEBRUARY 25, 2014

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

PRESENT: Councillors Lynn Vigneault and Alta Munroe; Committee members Isaac Young, Shawn McNamara, Lindy Quann and Krista Fulton

ALSO PRESENT: Michelle Young – Recreation Coordinator and Meeting Recorder
Paul Buder – Pictou Youth Council Representative (Guest)

REGRETS: Camille Davidson and Dave McMullen

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Porter called the meeting to order.

REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES

The minutes of the January 28, 2014 meeting were reviewed; correction to spelling of Paul Buder's name was noted.

APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED:	S. McNamara	<i>PRP-02-25-143-1236</i>
SECONDED:	A. Munroe	
MOTION:	To approve the agenda as circulated.	
	MOTION CARRIED	

CORRESPONDENCE – none

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Youth Centre/Skatepark

Paul Buder gave a verbal report on activities at the Youth Centre. Four insurance companies were contacted to inquire on additional insurance to cover the indoor skateboard ramp. The current insurance company for the Youth Centre notified the group that they would allow thirty (30) days to find another company or the skate ramp must be removed. The Committee gave several suggestions on other insurance companies to contact. Paul Buder reported that the Jimmy Jam Fundraiser collected \$1000 towards the skateboard project for Broidy Park.

Winter Festival

The Recreation Coordinator stated that there was a good crowd this year at the Winter Carnival with positive feedback received. Discussion followed on ideas for next year's Carnival. It was

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suggested that the Snow Sculpture Contest could begin mid January and run through to mid February. The extension of the dates for the contest would allow for greater participation due to weather challenges. The Photo Contest could include a category for outdoor winter activity; these images could then be used for future promotion of the events. A suggestion was made that an invite could be extended to seniors who reside in complexes close to the McCulloch Heritage Centre to encourage them to participate in the sleigh rides (such as Strathcona Place). The Committee could also explore the possibility of partnering with the Town of New Glasgow to offer a joint ski trip to Wentworth for next year (open to ages 16 years and over).

NEW BUSINESS**Volunteer Awards Night**

The Pictou Volunteer Reception date has been confirmed for Tuesday, April 15th at the deCoste Centre. A follow-up call by staff will be made to organizations to confirm attendance/numbers. A sub committee was formed to plan the Volunteer Reception; committee members included Dave Porter, Shawn, Krista, Alta and Isaac. The Sub-Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 11th at 3:30 pm at the Town Hall.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 25th at 7:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT

S. McNamara moved that the meeting adjourn.

APPROVED

Joseph F. Hawes
Mayor

Scott W. Conrod
CAO