

PICTOU RECREATION & PARKS MEETING

MARCH 25, 2014

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

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

ALSO PRESENT: Michelle Young, Recreation Coordinator (meeting Chair)
Jo-Anne McNamara, Meeting Recorder

REGRETS: Dave Porter, Dave McMullen and Camille Davidson

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER**

Michelle Young called the meeting to order.

2.0 **APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

PRP-03-25-14-1249

MOVED: S. McNamara

SECONDED: A. Munroe

MOTION: To approve the agenda with the following addition:
New Business 5 c) Recreation Coordinator's Report.
MOTION CARRIED

3.0 **CORRESPONDENCE - none**

Creative Pictou County – Creative Pictou County Arts Society represents all art forms, from dance, theatre, music, visual arts, sculpture, photography, authors, writers, poets and playwrights. Inclusivity of art forms and communities within Pictou County is the driving force for the society's activities over the next year as it develops its vision, mandate, goals and programs. Creative Pictou County Arts Society nominated Pictou County for the Community Arts and Culture Recognition Award which is presented annually by the Creative Nova Scotia Leadership Council to a community that demonstrates the value it places on the presence of arts and culture in community life. Creative Pictou County received approval of the Award (\$10,000) which will be divided between the six municipalities of Pictou County and Pictou Landing First Nations.

4.0 **CONTINUING BUSINESS**

Youth Centre/Skatepark - The CN Station is currently closed due to a break-in which is still under investigation and the repair work that is required for the boiler system (currently there is no water available).

The skate ramp inside the Youth Centre has to be removed due to insurance reasons. The Youth Centre is looking into having the ramp installed at the Broidy Park.

Volunteer Awards Night

The Recreation Coordinator gave a report on the planning of the Volunteer Reception. Sandy MacKay will MC the ceremony; Canapé Cafe will provide the catering, and Chloe Marshall and Emily MacDonald will be the guest speakers on their trip to Kenya. To date there are 90 responses to the invitation to the event.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

- a) Unplug and Play – in conjunction with the Unplug and Play program though Participation, the committee would like to organize a “Pictou Unplugs” event along with an Open House on Saturday, June 7 from 1:00-4:00 pm on the waterfront. Suggestions were discussed on types of activities which included: road hockey, hula hoops, marbles, red rover, tug-of-war, and others. An Open House will run in conjunction with Pictou Unplugs similar to last year’s Open House. The Open House will showcase activities and programs that Pictou Recreation and Parks organizes annually such as: yoga, Tai Chi, Therapeutic Touch, Photography, and tennis to name a few.
- b) Summer Programs
There are several new summer programs planned for this year including a Canoe Kayak Camp and a Mobile Sailing School.

Recreation Coordinators’ Report:

- An Age Friendly Grant has been approved to build shelters at the Veterans Drive and Pine Street Playgrounds. Pictou Recreation and Parks will partner with the Pictou Garden Club to help beautify both areas.
- Approval has been received for a NSCC student to work on trail related projects.
- Two cruise ships will be coming to Pictou in October (October 3rd and 26th).

6.0 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 29th.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: S. McNamara
SECONDED: A. Munroe

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MOTION: That the meeting adjourn.
MOTION CARRIED.

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APPROVED

Joseph F. Hawes
Mayor

Scott W. Conrod
CAO