

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

**PRESENT:** Councillors Alta Munro and Cam Beaton; Members Krista Fulton, Shawn McNamara and Trecia Schell

**ALSO PRESENT:** Michelle Young, Recreation Coordinator

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Porter called the meeting to order.

**2. APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

MOVED: K. Fulton  
SECONDED: C. Beaton

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MOTION: To approve the agenda with one addition:  
5 a) Recreation Month  
MOTION CARRIED

**3. REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES**

Minutes of the March 29, 2016 meeting were reviewed. No additions or errors were noted.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**5. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

a. Volunteer Reception

A discussion was held on the Town of Pictou Volunteer Reception which was attended by approximately 100 people. The reception was a great success and the evening was enjoyed by all. It was suggested in future years to open the reception up to volunteers who may not be associated directly with an organization.

b. Go Clean Get Green

Go Clean Get Green was held on Saturday, April 23 with a great turnout. The BBQ was a welcome addition to the day. Pictou County Solid Waste reported a total of 3200 volunteers for the event throughout the County.

c. Membership

The Pictou Recreation and Parks By-Laws were reviewed and it states that a member who without leave absents themselves for three consecutive meetings shall thereby vacate their office as a member. D. Porter will communicate this to members not present at the meeting.

d. Off Leash Dog Park

M. Young reported that there is no extra cost related to liability insurance if the Town was to pursue the development of an off leash park. In the information received from the Town's insurance company several risk management items were listed. After some discussion the Committee agreed to table this project and not advance it at this time.

e. Youth Centre/Skate Park

D. Porter reported that the Pictou Youth Centre was chosen to be the recipient of \$12,500 from "100 Women Who Care Pictou County". Mikayla MacLean and Nick Bray were presented the cheque on behalf of the Pictou Youth Centre. 60% of the money will be used for rent, lights and heat for the Youth Centre.

D. Porter also reported that a Ramp Company is doing a Nova Scotia Tour. They are in the process of completing an application to have a demonstration in Pictou, hopefully during the Lobster Carnival. It was suggested that they contact Westville as they are also interested in this venture as well.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

a. June is Recreation Month

Some ideas were discussed for Recreation Month including a bike rodeo and bike ride on the Blue Route (Jitney Trail). Possible partners include RCMP, Michelin and Pictou County Cycle. Bike Week is June 3-12; June 11th was suggested for the event date. K. Fulton reported that Fulton's Trucking will donate a bike for the event. M. Young will check to see when the Bike Rodeo is being held at the Wellness Centre.

A. Munroe reported that DEANS will be having a Discover Pictou County Night on June 1st from 4-7 pm. Location to be determined.

S. McNamara informed the Committee that the Pictou and Area Lions Club will be holding a Fishing Derby at the Pictou Quarry on Saturday, May 28 from 9:00 am-1:00 pm for all ages. Registration is FREE and includes hot dog, pop and prizes.

**7. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 31, 2016.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED

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Joseph F. Hawes  
Mayor

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Scott W. Conrod  
CAO