

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

PRESENT: Councillors Eric Daley and Nadine LeBlanc; Committee Members Shawn McNamara, Trecia Schell and Mike Feiner

ALSO PRESENT: Michelle Young, Recreation Coordinator (Recorder)

REGRETS: Krista Fulton, David Porter, Dave McMullen, Luke MacDonald, Jo-Anne McNamara

1. WELCOME

Chair Porter called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

2. APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED: T. Schell

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SECONDED: S. McNamara

MOTION: To approve the agenda as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

3. REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES

The minutes of the February 28, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Changes to the minutes include: Dave McMullen listed as being present; and under Item 6 (a) change astrologer to astronomer.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

None

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Earth Day Event

Planning discussion followed on the Earth Day event for April 22nd; starlight trail walk to Brown's Point with guest speaker on astronomy with a campfire following. Proposed start time: 8:00pm. Contact will be made with Girl Guides and RCMP for participation. Parental guidance will be required for children under 12 years. Two start points for the walk: deCoste parking lot and Advocate parking lot on Browns Point Road.

b. Canada 150 Writing Contest

All three town schools have received the poster and details for the Canada 150 writing contest; deadline is March 31st. The Pictou Advocate has agreed to print the essays throughout the year. Judging for the contest will be April 13th at 3:30pm for whomever is

available to meet. Prizes provided by Pictou Antigonish Regional Library – Adopt a Library program, and Sobeys.

c. **Volunteer Reception**

A report was provided by the planning committee; the set up for the reception will take place at 3pm on April 25th at the deCoste Centre. Other items discussed for the program included: moment of silence for deceased volunteers over the past year, student speaker for Canada 150 essay, Pictou Elementary School Choir to sing Oh Canada (back up - Cadets band).

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Sub-Committee Reports**

Facilities – no report at this time.

Trails – no report at this time

b. **Skate Park**

M. Young reported that there has been some new advancement on the project. Updates will be provided when available.

c. **Saltscapes Expo**

For information purposes: The Town will be participating in the Expo again this year, the dates are April 21-23.

d. **Go Clean Get Green**

County wide event will take place on April 22nd. The Committee will organize the Pictou Clean Up event again this year on this date, 9:00-11:00am. Poster will be circulated when ready. Several local organizations will be contacted for participation.

7. INFORMATION SHARING

a. **Pictou Lobster Carnival**

There will be a ham and salad dinner on April 6th as a fundraiser.

8. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 7:00 pm

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Scott W. Conrod
CAO