

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

PRESENT: Councillors Eric Daley and Nadine LeBlanc; Committee Members Dave McMullen, Luke MacDonald and Trecia Schell

ALSO PRESENT: Michelle Young, Recreation Coordinator
Jo-Anne McNamara, Meeting Recorder

REGRETS: Chair Dave Porter; Members Mike Feiner, Krista Fulton and Shawn McNamara

1. CALL TO ORDER

M Young called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED: E Daley
SECONDED: N LeBlanc

PRP-10-26-17-1997

MOTION: To approve the agenda as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

3. REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES

N LeBlanc wanted to clarify that she will assist with contacting Pictou Businesses to remain open on Friday night of the Christmas Light up and suggest having a tax-free event.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

T Schell reported that Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library had received an invite to attend a meeting on accessibility opportunities in sport and recreation. M Young provided information on the Inclusion and Access Data Collection Project in Sport and Recreation for persons with disabilities (in Pictou County, Cumberland, Colchester and East Hants). Partners include the province, municipalities, healthcare, education and service providers.

Four components of collecting the data include:

- 1) Interviews with Recreation Departments and multiplex facilities
- 2) Survey to all minor sport groups
- 3) Two Focus Group meetings will take place in November
- 4) Students from Dalhousie who will compile data

M Young will keep the Committee updated on the project.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Christmas Light Up

L MacDonald reported that the Christmas Light Up Committee held a meeting; new this year will be a parade in downtown Pictou; glow sticks and candles will be given out. All activities will take place at Market Square including a manger scene with Live Nativity. School choirs will be contacted again to participate. The Food Bank Collection will take place on Friday afternoon at Sobeys and along the parade route. The Community of Trees Event at the Fisheries Museum will start the same night. Next meeting for the Christmas Light Up will be Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 3:30 pm at the Town Office.

b. PRP Policy

The Committee reviewed the policy; nothing new to report.

c. Outdoor Rink

Some discussion was held on operating an outdoor rink; M Young distributed information she had gathered from other rinks. It was suggested to approach local service clubs to see if they would be interested in helping with costs. It was proposed to put a notice in the paper, county crier, facebook and our website looking for volunteers to help with the project.

d. Youth Centre Update

Approximately 112 people attended their Haunted House; the floor plan for the event was designed by students. D Porter is working on offering a cooking class for the participants of the Youth Centre and Highland Dance classes will start at the Centre on November 1.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Sub-Committee Reports

None

7. INFORMATION SHARING

None

8. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 7:00 pm

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Nicole Battist
Deputy Clerk