

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

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jo-Anne McNamara, Minute Recorder

**REGRETS:** Members Krista Fulton and Shawn McNamara

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Porter called the meeting to order.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOVED: T Schell  
SECONDED: L MacDonald

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MOTION: To approve the agenda as circulated.  
MOTION CARRIED

**3. REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES**

The minutes of the September 27, 2018 meeting were reviewed. It was noted that Bonnie Allan's name was misspelled.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

a. PA Auction

A letter was received from Pictou Academy requesting a donation towards their auction that will be held on November 29. A 10-punch swim pass was donated to the auction.

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a. Youth Centre Update

- There were over 500 participants that went through the Haunted House; \$400 was raised. Funds were used to purchase a grill press for McCulloch Education Centre and make payment on a heating bill for the Youth Centre.
- Building a Safe Community Sessions through Restorative Justice will be held on four Mondays beginning November 26 from 7-8:30 pm. Cooking classes were well received last year; plans are underway to hold another session.

b. Skatepark

Chair Porter provided an update on the skatepark. Next steps will be to contract a company to design engineered drawings; there is a grant available through the Province to assist with design costs.

c. Committee Members

Some discussion was held on new committee members; several names were put forth and they will be contacted.

d. Pictou Christmas Light Up

The Christmas Light Up will be held on Friday, November 30. The “Fill the Truck” Food Drive will take place on December 1 at Sobeys (Sobeys will match what is raised). Chair Porter will contact the Food Bank to see if they could have a couple volunteers available to help when the food is dropped off to the Food Bank. It was suggested to have live music for after the Light Up as people may stay around. The next planning meeting will be held on November 8 at 3:30 pm.

e. Winter Carnival

The Winter Carnival will be held February 8-10, 2019.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Outdoor Rink

A discussion was held on the Outdoor Rink; the Committee felt that as long as weather permits it should operate again this year.

b. Provincial Shared Strategy in Advancing Recreation

M Young circulated copies of the “Shared Strategy”; everyone was encouraged to review and determine how Pictou aligns with the goal areas and priorities.

**7. INFORMATION SHARING**

It was suggested to consider getting sponsors for swims at the pool (similar to the rink) so that more free swims can be offered.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 7:00 pm

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm

APPROVED

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James J. Ryan  
Mayor

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Dan Troke  
CAO