

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Recreation and Parks Committee meeting convened 6:30 pm at the Tourist Bureau on the above date. Michelle Young presiding.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Nadine LeBlanc and Shawn McNamara; Committee Members Luke MacDonald and Dave McMullen

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Leah Heighton, Potential Member  
Melinda MacKenzie, Guest  
Jo-Anne McNamara, Minute Recorder

**REGRETS:** Councillor Eric Daley; Committee Member Jane Young

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

M Young called the meeting to order.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

***PRP-10-27-20-2476***

**3. REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES**

The minutes of the September 29, 2020 meeting were reviewed; no errors or omissions noted.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a. List of Town Properties

M Young distributed a list of town owned properties, per a request made at the previous meeting.

It was suggested including information in the town newsletter related to emergency response such as phone numbers, comfort centres, etc.

b. Volunteer of the Year

The Mayor presented Jacqueline Levoie, the 2020 Town of Pictou Representative Volunteer of the Year, with a plaque and gift.

c. Fitness Trail

M Young began the process of erecting trail signage. She will send out an email to committee members on a time for this Saturday, October 31 to do some clearing along the trail for approximately two hours. A draft trail map was circulated.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Christmas Light-Up**

A discussion was held on what activities would be allowable this year due to the pandemic.

Pictou Business and Marketing Society is exploring lighting ideas on poles for the main street/downtown. Other ideas included:

- Food Bank – December 5
- All lights in town (residents and businesses) to be turned on the same date
- Christmas Scavenger Hunt
- At Market Square set up a synchronized musical light display (similar to the one in Pictou Landing)
- Virtual Christmas Concert – check with Christmas Daddies to see if they are planning anything
- Ugly Sweaters Family Caroling Contest – video and post online
- Explore projector lights for the large trees at Market Square; not to rent a crane this year (not to light up the large trees; redirect the cost to do this to other lighting)

Actions:

- S McNamara and D McMullen will coordinate with Kent Corbett and Sobeys on the Food Bank Drive at Sobeys to see what is possible; they will spread the word on food items needed
- M Young will check into Christmas Daddies to see if they have any plans
- M Young will determine a lighting budget
- M Young will put together a list of the topics talked about and forward to the committee

**7. INFORMATION SHARING**

**8. NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 6:30 pm; location TBA

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

APPROVED

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James J. Ryan  
Mayor

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Dan Troke  
CAO