



Town of Paradise

Recreation and Community Services Committee Meeting

Chambers Meeting

September 27, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

Council Present: Elizabeth Laurie, Councillor, Chairperson
Glen Carew, Councillor
Larry Vaters, Councillor
Dan Bobbett, Mayor, Ex-Officio ***Vacated 6:10pm***

Staff Present: Lisa Niblock, CAO
Tina Auchinleck Ryan, Director of Recreation and Community Services
Courtney Hynes, Administrative Assistant
Julie Milley, Recreation Manager
Tara Lynch, Arena Supervisor

1. Safety Moment

Committee was presented with a safety moment.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted with an item added for discussion.

3. Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes were adopted with business arising.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

- Discussions regarding the date of the Turf Grand Opening. It was noted that the event is tentatively scheduled for Oct 7th with a back up for Oct 14th. Football, Soccer and Minor Baseball have been notified of the October 7th date.
- An update was requested regarding the operations for chicanes on the T'Railway as we enter the winter season. Staff will provide update at the next meeting.
- Committee was informed that the Town needs Crown Land approval for the outside of the Adam's Pond Amenities.
- Use of the open space on Adam's Pond near the newly planted trees was suggested to be considered for a recreational amenity.
- Committee was informed that Public Works has a report on the playgrounds that they prepared for the next Public Works meeting.
- An overview on the Elizabeth Park wetlands was provided.

5. New/Other Business

a. Down Syndrome Society – Rental Request

Conversations regarding rental fees for not-for-profit organizations was discussed and noted that it is not apart of our current rates and fees. Committee agreed that the rental pay full price as per the current rates and fees.

b. Newfoundland and Labrador Cheerleading Association

A request to host an event for the NL Cheerleading Association was reviewed. Committee was in favor of the recommendation to not proceed with the event, as it will displace other groups who have already confirmed ice time.

c. Fitness Centre

An update on the age limits for the Fitness Centre was provided to the committee.

d. Trenton Drive

Committee was briefed on the possible trail at Trenton Drive. It was noted that the easement is not suitable for an accessible trail. It would be a non-accessible trail in 2022 and to budget for an accessible trail in 2023

e. Community Garden

Questions were brought forward regarding the Community Garden Pilot project on Lanark Drive. An update will be provided at the next meeting. It was also asked if there could be any other recreational amenity included in the open space at the park.

f. Outdoor Rinks

Committee had requested an update on Outdoor Rinks for the next meeting.

6. Old/Reoccurring Business

a. New Year's Eve Fireworks

New Year's Eve Fireworks were discussed. It was noted that the current budget will be reviewed to see if they can proceed for 2022 and will be brought back to the next meeting.

b. Woodstock Gardens Playground Resident Concern

The Committee was updated on the recent resident concern regarding the Woodstock Gardens Playground. To distinguish between the Town land and the residential property of concern, committee agreed to move forward to budget for a chain link fence in 2023.

Netting around the perimeter is planned to be installed this season.

Concerns have been brought forward by committee regarding loitering in the late evenings within the park and the lack of signage.

The Grand Opening of this park was noted to be held later in October.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned 6:25pm.