



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BONFIELD
Minutes of the Recreation & Fitness Committee Meeting
May 6th, 2024 at 5:00 pm

PRESENT: Dan MacInnis, Vice Chair Cassandra Pugh
 Lise Houle

PRESENT VIA ZOOM : Steve Featherstone

ABSENT: Reneé Contant
 Sylvie Lamothe

STAFF: Casandra Klooster, Secretary

1. Call to order

Moved by Cassandra Pugh

Seconded by Lise Houle

THAT the Recreation & Fitness Committee Meeting be opened at 5:02 p.m.

Carried Vice Chair, Dan MacInnis

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Lise Houle

Seconded by Cassandra Pugh

THAT the draft agenda dated the 6th day of May, 2024 be adopted as prepared.

Carried Vice Chair, Dan MacInnis

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None for this session

4. Adoption of Previous Minutes

Moved by Cassandra Pugh

Seconded by Lise Houle

THAT the Minutes of the Recreation & Fitness Committee of April 8th, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Vice Chair, Dan MacInnis

5. Presentations and Delegations

None for this session

6. Staff Reports

a. Trade Show

Staff gave a report on the Trade Show. Feedback was very positive from the vendors and public. Charging a fee for vendors to participate helped to cover the costs of the event and will continue next year. Recommendations were made to shorten the event as attendance dropped off around 2pm. It was proposed to shift the event to 9am to 2pm in 2025.

7. Items for Committee Discussion

a. Resignation Letter – Nathalie Bertin

Moved by Lise Houle

Seconded by Cassandra Pugh

That the Recreation & Fitness Committee recommends to Council to accept Nathalie Bertin's resignation from the Committee, that a letter be sent thanking her for her services; AND THAT advertising be placed on the website for members to sit on the Committee.

Carried Vice Chair, Dan MacInnis

b. Community Garden

The Committee discussed plans for getting the Community Garden ready for the season. Dan has offered to till the soil and look into getting seedlings ready to be planted. Casandra has been in contact with Ecole Lorrain to help develop a program where the students participate in planting and tending the garden. It was suggested to reach out to the Seniors Housing Complex to see if there are any volunteers that are interested in helping with the garden.

c. Community Day

Community Day will take place on Saturday June 1st. Council has agreed to waive the user fee for rental of the rink as this is a community event open to all residents. The Bonfield Farmers Market has joined this year and will have free tables available for vendors.

d. Canada Day

Committee discussed plans for Canada Day. A schedule will be drawn up to help organize volunteers throughout the day. Delight Farmer has offered to volunteer their services for face painting. Reptile Camp will be offering Axe Throwing and Reptile shows. Casandra will reach out to the Bonfield Food Bank regarding the canteen, as well as reach out to sponsors for children's games.

e. 2024 Events

Committee discussed the upcoming end of Summer event, which will be held Saturday August 31st, 2024. Suggestions were made to have the Recreation Committee run the canteen as a way to raise funds for future events. Steve will reach out to musicians for entertainment. A movie night was also discussed, and sponsors will be sought to help cover the costs of putting on the event. A fee of \$10 for adults, and \$5 for children was suggested.

8. Motions to be Considered for Adoption

None for this session

9. Correspondence

None for this session.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Cassandra Pugh

Seconded by Lise Houle

THAT the Recreation & Fitness Committee Meeting be adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Carried Vice Chair, Dan MacInnis

CHAIR

SECRETARY