

## **Recreation and Leisure Services Committee Meeting Minutes**

Meeting #: 13  
Date: August 2, 2022  
Time: 7:34 am - 8:49 am  
Location: Zoom

**Members Present**  
**Councillor Tilley**  
**Councillor Moores**  
**Councillor Connors**  
**Councillor Barrett**

**Staff Present**  
**Brian Crawley, Chief Administrative Officer**  
**Natasha Hann, Program Supervisor**  
**Carla Hodder, Program Supervisor**

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### **1. Facilities, Parks and Open Spaces**

#### **1.a Town Hall - Blue Lights - Arthritis Month**

The Committee concurred to proceed with lighting the Town Hall blue on September 1, 2022 in honour of Arthritis Awareness Month.

#### **1.b Worsley Park Donation - Theatre CBS**

The Town has received a request from Theatre CBS for a donation of the use of Worsley Park.

The Committee discussed this request in length. Before making a final decision, the Committee requested staff reach out to any affected user groups about their cooperation, and confirm the actual requested dates.

Chief Administrative Officer Crawley enter the meeting at 7:46 am.

Staff will report back to the Committee via email.

**1.c Stoney Hill Baseball Field - Accessibility**

Program Supervisor Hodder discussed the concerns raised regarding accessibility at Stoney Hill Softball Field. The concerns surrounded the stairs leading to the field, and an option for those who are unable to use the stairs.

The Committee requested staff look at an immediate solution that would allow accessible parking to be available in the upper parking lot, between the baseball field and tennis courts. For a long-term solution, staff requested this item be included in budget considerations for 2023.

**1.d Wintergreen Playground**

Councillor Barrett brought forward a request from residents regarding the equipment at Wintergreen. They were interested in having some equipment installed for younger kids, as the current is not age appropriate. He also asked what the process would be to have this upgrade completed, and what a potential cost would be.

Program Supervisor Hodder explained that following the completion of the Recreation and Cultural Master Plan, the Department will have a better idea about how to proceed with playground upgrades and installations for the future to help realize the objectives of this plan. Regarding the cost, staff will confirm an estimated cost of equipment, and send to the Council via email.

Councillors Tilley and Barrett left the meeting at 8:04 am.

**1.e Safety Netting - Richard Parsons Ball Field**

Program Supervisor Hodder confirmed the costs associated with the safety netting at this field. As there are currently no funds budgeted for this

expense, the Committee concurred to include this project as part of the budget consideration discussions for 2023.

The Committee also discussed the potential of cost sharing this expense with user groups, for this, and other similar future projects.

### **1.f Girl Guide Request - Worsley Park Donation**

Program Supervisor Hann discussed a request from a local Girl Guide group, for a donation of the use of Worsley Park with the Committee. They requested staff get the final number to confirm building capacity, as well as further details on the rental, and update the Committee via email.

## **2. Programs and Special Events**

### **2.a CBS Bluefins Provincial Swim Meet**

The CBS Bluefin's and the Recreation Complex will host their first swim meet since before COVID-19 from October 28-30, 2022. This swim meet is a major fundraiser for the club and its swimmers. As the date approaches, a schedule will be provided for Council.

This was provided for the information of the Committee.

### **2.b Registration - Fall Set 1 Swimming Lessons**

Online Registration for Fall Set 1 will take place for residents of Conception Bay South at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 25. General registration will open on Saturday, August 27 at 12:30pm. This will be for classes running from September 12-November 5. Dates for registration are set this way as to avoid holding registration around Labor Day.

This was provided for the information of the Committee.

### **2.c Kelligrews Soiree - Recap**

Committee were provided a summary of the 2022 Kelligrews Soiree. A Lessons Learned meeting will be scheduled for the near future, and an invite will be sent to Council.

## **2.d Association for New Canadians - Event Partnership**

Program Supervisor Hodder discussed a potential event partnership with the Association for New Canadians, to host an event at Topsail Beach for Ukrainian refugees who are new to the province, as well as invite others in their membership.

The Committee felt this was a good event opportunity, and to proceed with planning the event for after the Labour Day weekend.

## **2.e 50th Anniversary Celebrations**

Program Supervisor Hann informed the Committee that with the Town's upcoming 50th Anniversary in 2023, the Department is looking to organize a planning Committee for the celebration. There will also be a representative from Council for the Committee.

An email will be sent to Council regarding selection of a representative, and other committee members.

## **3. Other Departmental Items**

### **3.a Worsley Park - BBQ Social Request**

Program Supervisor Hann discussed a request from the Worsley Park 50+ Club, for Council to provide a BBQ Event for their members.

The Committee concurred to proceed hosting this event for the Worsley Park 50+ Club.

## **4. Important Dates**

- August 1 - Annual Pool Shutdown
- August 3 - Family Fun Day at Upper Gullies Elementary
- August 4 - Drive in Bingo - CBS Arena
- August 8 - Bike Rodeo
- August 11 - Seniors Bus Outing #2
- August 13 - Pirate Day on Topsail Beach (tentative)

- August 15 - Ice Surface open at the Conception Bay South Arena
- August 15-19 - Growlers Hockey School
- August 19 - Last day of Summer Day Camp
- August 25 - Fall Set 1 Swim Registration
- September 7 - Walking for Wellness Fall Set start
- September 8 - Wreath Making Workshop
- September 18 - Terry Fox Run
- September 22 - Seniors Bus Outing #3
- September 29 - Celebrate Seniors Event
- October 1 - Seniors Day
- October 28-30 - CBS Bluefins Provincial Swim Meet
- October 31 - Seniors Halloween Social
- November 11 - Remembrance Day Ceremony

**5. Potential Problems/Concerns**

Nil

**6. Recreation and Leisure Services Committee Report**

Be it so resolved that the recommendations and decisions of the Recreation and Leisure Services Committee meeting of August 2, 2022 be accepted as presented.

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The meeting ended at 8:49 am.

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Councillor Moores, Chair

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Carla Hodder, Program Supervisor