

Recreation and Leisure Services Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: August 9, 2023
Time: 7:36 am - 8:50 am
Location: Zoom

Members Present **Mayor Bent**
 Councilor Tilley
 Councilor Moores
 Councilor Connors

Staff Present **Nick Miller, Director of Recreation and Leisure’s Services**
 Program Supervisor, Carla Hodder
 Program Supervisor, Natasha Hann

1. Facilities, Park, Playground

1.a Disc Golf

Director of Recreation provided Committee information from a meeting held August 1st 2023. The Director met with Disc Golf NL. Disc Golf is a thriving sport in NL with new courses being built all across the province. The Director discussed with Committee that Disc Golf NL are looking to partner with the Town to develop a new Disc Golf Course in Conception Bay South. Committee asked the Director of Recreation to look into what next steps would be and have a member of Disc Golf NL meet with Committee at the next meeting.

1.b Recreation Complex Shutdown

Just a reminder the Recreation Complex will be closed to the public and all groups for all activities and programs at end of the day on Friday,

August 11. The facility will be closed from August 12-September 4 and will re-open on Tuesday, September 5.

This was provided for the information of the Committee.

1.c Community Park Winter Lights

Director of Recreation discussed budget amount that is allocated for Community Park Lights. Director asked Committee for input on holiday light placement. Committee concurred to create a light display at the new Community Park and retrofit and add new lights to the Manuals River display.

1.d Registration for Fall Set 1 2023 Swimming Lessons

Online Registration for Fall Set 1 will open on Wednesday, August 23 at 6:30pm online. General registration will open on Friday, August 25 at 12:30pm. Classes for this set will run from September 5-October 28. This will be an 8-week set for all days with exception of Mondays which will run for 6 weeks due to Stat holidays on September 4 and October 9.

This was provided for the information of the Committee.

1.e Draft Swim Schedule for Fall- Winter 2023-2024

Attached is a draft swim schedule for review of the Committee to be used effective September 5-December 31. The swim schedule has been somewhat of a challenging item, but hopefully this schedule will meet the swimming needs of our community.

This was provided for the information of the Committee.

2. Events & Programs

2.a 50TH Anniversary Birthday Bash

Director of Recreation reviewed the current schedule of events for the 50th Birthday Bash. The Birthday Bash will include performances by Terry Reilly Teddy Bear Picnic, Michael Conway Magic, St Pat's Dancers and a fire breather. Musical performances by Bare Mountain and Stixxs and

Stones. Other activities will include a sunrise yoga, active fun zone, painting class, outdoor movie, fireworks, food trucks, pizza party, and much more. Chairperson Moores inquired about transportation and parking. Staff confirmed this will be available for the event.

2.b Seniors Week

Staff updated Committee on the activities planned for senior's week. Which included free fitness classes, free swims and Library day. During the week there will also be a senior's bus outing, lunch and learn sessions and a senior's expo.

2.c Worsley Park 50+ Club BBQ

The Director of Recreation discussed the annual Worley's Park 50+ Club BBQ with Committee. Committee agreed to host the BBQ on the date of September 13th 2023.

2.d Downtown CBS Event

Staff informed the Committee that a meeting was held with Downtown CBS regarding some potential events they would like to host. The Town will look to support with logistics and advertising.

Councilor Tilley joined the Meeting at 8:11am.

2.e Kelligrews Soiree Recap

Staff provided a high-level recap of this year's Kelligrews Soiree. There will be a lesson's learned meeting and Council will be invited to attend for their feedback. Chairperson Moores asked if Flights and Bites will be rescheduled. Staff informed Committee that it will be reschedule for a later date.

2.f 50th Anniversary End of year Concert

Director of Recreation discussed the potential of doing a year end 50th Anniversary Concert. Committee agreed to do a year end concert at the Conception Bay South Arena. Committee discussed potential dates and decided on hosting the concert towards the end of November. Chairperson Moores asked for an update to be provided at the next committee meeting.

Mayor Bent also asked about a meet and greet for former Town Councillors and Mayors. Director will research potential venues and dates and report back to Committee.

2.g Pirate Day Update

Staff provided an update on Pirate day date change. The event will now take place on August 26th 2023. This change was to accommodate the availability of performers for the event.

2.h Concert Series in the Community Park

Staff reviewed the schedule with Committee and will advertise the Concert Series in the near future.

2.i Santa Claus Parade Route

Staff requested if Council would like to change the route of the Santa Claus Parade. Committee concurred to proceed with the current route as is.

3. Other Departmental Items

3.a Budget 2024

Director of Recreation asked Committee to start preparing for Budget 2024 and to bring any suggestions forward to the next Committee meeting. Committee did discuss that they would like to see more money allocated for more beautification in the Town. Staff brought forward a

request from the Seniors Advisory Committee to be included in 2024 budget consultations. The Committee concurred to proceed with scheduling a time to work with Seniors Advisory Committee to facilitate this meeting.

4. Important Dates

- August 9- Newcomer Welcome Night Topsail Beach
- August 10th- Million Trail Count Event
- August 10th- CBS Arena Ice installation
- August 16th- Games Day in the Park
- August 17th- Concert Series in the Park
- August 22nd- Concert Series in the Park
- August 19 - 50th Anniversary Birthday Weekend
- August 24th- Concert Series in the Park
- August 26- Pirate Day
- August 29th- Concert Series in the Park
- August 31st- Concert Series in the Park
- September 5th Concert Series in the Park
- Sept 6th- Walking for Wellness
- September 7th Concert Series in the Park
- Sept 25th - 29th- Senior Week
- Sept 27th- 50th Anniversary Clothing order #2 deadline
- October 29 - Halloween Skate
- October 31 - Seniors Halloween Social
- November 5 - Bonfire Night
- November 11 - Remembrance Day
- November 20th- Final 50th Anniversary Clothing deadline
- December 2, 2023 - Santa Claus Parade
- December 2, 2023 - Tree Lighting Ceremony

- December 7, 2023 - Seniors Christmas Social
- December 31, 2023 - New Year's Eve Family Skate

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 9th 2023 be accepted as presented.

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Councillor Moores, Chair

Nick Miller, Director of Recreation
and Leisure Services