

## **The Corporation of the Village of Oil Springs Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes**

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Date: Thursday, April 23, 2015  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Village of Oil Springs Council Chambers  
4591 Oil Springs Line, Oil Springs, ON

Committee Members Present: Councillor Rick Powell, Chair  
Councillor Andrea Burns-Antoine  
Dennis Smith

Committee Members Absent: Mayor Ian Veen  
Krista Mueller  
Gord Perry  
Marg Perry

Staff Members Present: Jennifer Turk, Clerk-Treasurer

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### **Call to Order**

Councillor Gadsby opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

### **Adoption of Committee Minutes**

**Motion #1** – *Burn-Antoine/Smith: That the minutes of November 18, 2014 be approved.*  
*Carried.*

### **Business Arising from Previous Meeting Minutes**

#### **Trees for Village/Trail**

Discussions took place regarding the purchase of trees for the trail as well as throughout the Village. Committee member Mr. Smith was reminded that as discussed at the November meeting, no trees could be purchased as there were no funds to purchase trees for 2015 as the committee has committed to expenses for the solar lights and for 2015 flowers that totaled \$1,800.

#### **Hanging Flower Pot Program**

Discussions took place regarding expanding the program to Aniline Street in the Village. Committee member Mr. Smith was reminded that as discussed at the November meeting, the program would not be expanded to Aniline Street as the hanging baskets did not sell out in 2014 and to keep costs down of operating the equipment to maintain the flowers the committee did not feel expanding or moving part of the hanging basket program would be beneficial at that time.

The 2015 Program will stay status quo for prices. \$60 for hanging pot and that will include a hand written plaque or \$80 for a hanging pot and that will include an engraved plaque.

### **Parks & Recreation Committee**

#### **Account Balance**

As of March 31, 2015, the balance in the account is \$2,353.84. Committed expenses for 2015 include:

- repair to solar lights on trail - \$1,500
- flowers for 2015 in barrels and in flower beds - \$300

#### **Trail Maintenance**

Complaint received regarding over growth on trail due to weeds and grass growing in the path. At the last meeting Mayor Veen indicated he would investigate about getting a load of gravel for the trail donated. Staff asked to follow up with Mayor Veen.

#### **Groundhog Day Breakfast**

Discussions took place regarding the event that took place Sunday, February 1, 2015. Proceeds in the amount of \$253.82 were to be discussed at this meeting of how much would be given to Heaven's Wildlife. At this time, the committee felt that due to the proceeds being low this year that the decision of the amount to be donated be deferred until end of this year when expenses for 2015 were finalized.

The committee was reminded that Heavens Wildlife had a jar at the entrance of the Youth Centre for donations during the event and the jar was taken back to Heavens Wildlife. No indication of how much was in the donation jar.

### **New Business**

#### **West End Park**

The committee was updated of new playground equipment to be installed in fall 2015 at West End Park. The equipment is donated by the Oil Springs Optimist.

Mayor Veen is donating his excavating equipment and time to prepare the lands for the installation.

Village Council has committed to pay for drainage at the park prior to the equipment being installed.

The Committee was updated on naming West End Park once the equipment is installed. Possible contest for naming the park.

**Garden & Trail Committee**

Trail

Staff was directed to have Public Works drag the said trail due to grass/weeds that are growing on the path.

Flowers

The Secretary update the committee that the flowers and hanging pots were coming from Country Lane on London Line outside of Reeces Corners. The flowers barrels and gardens are maintained by the Garden & Trail Committee and paid for by Parks & Recreation Committee. The hanging pots are paid for by the Village accounts.

Clean-Up Day

Clean-Up Day is not taking place for 2015 due to lack of interest and commitment. Part organizer Mr. Terry McNally resigned due to lack of volunteers.

Skateboard Park

New sign erected with new Libro logo that was paid by Libro.

**Adjournment**

**Motion #2** – Burns-Antoine/Smith: *That the meeting adjourn at 7:40 p.m. until the next Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting.* *Carried.*

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Chair

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Clerk