

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

Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2019
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Village of Oil Springs Council Chambers
4591 Oil Springs Line, Oil Springs, ON

Members Present: Mayor Ian Veen, Committee Chair
Councillor Connie McFadden
Councillor Adam Veen
Ms Andrea Burns-Powell
Ms Carol Powell
Ms Jennifer Barry
Ms Tiffany Irwin

Staff Present: Mr. Erkki Pohjolainen, Secretary
Public Mr. Larry Wagner

Call to Order:

Mayor Veen, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest/Conflict of Interest

No member of the Committee made a declaration at this time. Mayor Veen requested Committee members to make the appropriate declaration if necessary throughout the business of the meeting.

Adoption of Committee Minutes

MOTION No. 1 Moved by Ms Powell
Seconded by Councillor McFadden
THAT the minutes of the October 3, 2018 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

- Mayor Veen reported that he spoke with the firefighters regarding a breakfast fundraiser for the Committee and that he can bring the matter up again, but that the breakfast would best be held in the fall.
- Mayor Veen reported that the remaining lights on the trail have been removed and the vandalized light replacement project has been abandoned, with the insurance claim being paid out.
- Councillor McFadden asked about the pump-jacks for the Village entrances.
 - Mayor Veen responded that the pump-jacks are in his shop, but one needs to be reassembled. They are black, but Village summer youth staff can paint them. They will be located at both entrance signs to the Village along Oil Heritage Road and he will have them ready for Village staff to pick up next week.

New Business

Trail & Parks clean-up

Mayor Veen invited Committee members to suggest a date for this year's trail and parks clean-up.

- Ms Barry suggested waiting until May when the weather improves.
 - The Committee considered several dates before deciding to host the clean-up on Sunday, May 5, 2019 starting at 9 a.m.

Christmas Lights

Mayor Veen noted that with the insurance pay-out for the vandalized lights on the trail, there was revenue available for additional Christmas decorations for the hydro poles along Oil Springs Line. The lights cost \$1,200 for two in 2014 and Mayor Veen suggested a couple more in the 'uptown' area would look good.

MOTION No. 2 Moved by Ms Barry

Seconded by Ms Burns-Antoine

THAT the Oil Springs Parks and Recreation Committee purchase two three-foot Deluxe Forked Snowflake Christmas decorations for the Village.

CARRIED

Fund Raising

- Mayor Veen asked if the Committee members were interested in hosting an outdoors event this year to raise funds.
 - Councillor McFadden asked about a Firemen's Breakfast, as was suggested during the Committee's fall meeting.
 - Mayor Veen responded that fall would be an appropriate time for that.
 - Councillor McFadden suggested hosting the breakfast on Groundhog Day, 2020, which falls on a Sunday and suggested the Committee could get a groundhog for the morning.
 - Councillor McFadden suggested hosting an event on Canada Day.
 - Councillor Veen suggested hosting programs through the weekend.
 - Mayor Veen suggested getting sponsors for fireworks.
 - Councillor McFadden asked if there would be enough teams available to host a ball tournament on Canada Day.
 - Councillor Veen noted the tournament is usually in August.
 - Councillor McFadden noted that Sarnia and Petrolia have Canada Day programs running through the weekend.
 - Mr. Wagner noted there are new liquor-related regulations in place and asked if the Committee might look at holding a 'tail gate party.' – Secretary Pohjolainen was directed to look into the regulations regarding tail gate parties.

- Ms Barry suggested that children’s programming should be set up for the occasion.
- Secretary Pohjolainen suggested that rather than competing with the other events on Canada Day, might the Committee consider hosting an event on the Civic Holiday weekend.
 - Mayor Veen noted that would allow more time for planning and suggested the Committee meet again to further consider these matters.

Accounts

The Committee reviewed the accounts as presented:

Parks & Recreation Committee Financial Position		
Balance	\$4,296.63	on February 28, 2019
Revenues, 2019	\$80.00	Memorial Donations
	\$4,063.53	Pay-out for Trail Lights claim
	<u>\$96.88</u>	HST Rebate for 2018 expenses
Total Revenues	\$4,340.41	
Expenses 2019	\$600.00	Audit for Books
	\$120.00	Jungle Bell Walk
	<u>\$220.00</u>	Flowers for Barrels
Total	\$940.00	
Remaining	\$7,597.04	Available Funds

MOTION NO. 3 Moved by Councillor Veen
 Seconded by Councillor McFadden
THAT the Village of Oil Springs Parks and Recreation Committee accept the Financial Report as of February 28, 2019.

CARRIED

New Business as presented by staff and members

- Councillor McFadden said the uptown parks and Cenotaph require more mulch. – Staff is instructed to get a load of mulch.
- Councillor Veen asked when the next meeting will be to discuss a summer event/fundraising project. – The Committee agreed to meet May 9, 2019, 7 p.m. at the Council Chambers.
 - Mr. Wagner asked if there has been interest expressed for the Committee to host a car show again, noting that it would bring people into the Village.
 - Mayor Veen noted that there has been a problem with car shows in past, as all participants feel they deserve a prize.
 - Ms Powell suggested that a ‘cruise night’ might be an option, noting that the Bothwell Car Show is the following weekend.

- The prospect of a street party or craft brewing festival were also suggested for consideration at the May 9 meeting.
- Mayor Veen asked Ms Barry to update the Committee on the Optimists' plans for a pavilion at the East End Park. – Ms Barry responded the Club has received two estimates and is awaiting a third.
- Councillor Veen noted that the Legion wants to contribute to the project.

Adjournment of Meeting

MOTION NO. 4 Moved by Ms Burns-Antoine
 Seconded by Councillor Veen
THAT the Oil Springs Parks and Recreation
 Committee adjourn until the next meeting on
 Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 7 p.m.

CARRIED

 Ian Veen,
 Chairperson

 Erkki Pohjolainen
 Secretary