



RECREATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

5:30pm – Hybrid

MacBain Community Boardroom/Virtual Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

Present: Michael Audibert (virtual), Bonnie Brady (virtual), Aniko Bzdyl, Sheila DeLuca (Chair), Rob Desson, Paisley Janvary-Pool, Anna Lee, Laurie Primeau, Councillor Mike Strange (virtual), Vito Scaringi (virtual), Terry Thomson, Beth Angle (Staff), Kathy Moldenhauer (Staff)

Regrets: Joe Caverson, Councillor Chris Dabrowski, Donna Mills.

1. Adoption of Minutes of April 19, 2022

IT WAS MOVED BY Laurie Primeau, seconded by Rob Desson, that the minutes of the meeting of April 19, 2022, be approved as written.

Motion Carried

2. Business Arising from the Minutes of April 19, 2022

a. Garage Sale at the Gale Survey of Past Participants and Next Steps

As requested by Committee, a brief survey was disseminated to participants from the 2018 and 2019 Garage Sale at the Gale to ensure that new insurance requirements would not deter participation. At least 20 of those responding indicated that they would be willing to participate even with the new insurance requirements. A decision was made to move forward with the event based on the responses. The event will take place on Saturday, June 18. The Women's Place Book Riot is once again scheduled the weekend prior and they have agreed to hand out book marks to promote the event.

b. Activity Subsidy Fund Policy Review

Discussion took place regarding the existing policy and the several suggestions were made. An updated policy will be presented at the next Committee Meeting for review.

3. Sport and Recreation Fair Update

Discussion took place regarding the Sport and Recreation Fair. Input from those involved was overwhelmingly positive. Most participants support hosting two Sport and Recreation Fairs per year, with March and August as the suggested dates.

Committee members in attendance support a slightly shorter duration and allowing for demonstrations at their stations throughout the entire event.

4. Draft MacBain Community Centre Allocation Policy

Kathy Moldenhauer reviewed the Draft Indoor Facility Allocation Policy. The policy mirrors the City's existing field and ice allocation policies. The committee was in support and prefer a priority list instead of percentage of programming per demographic.

5. Longstanding Council and Committee Recognition

Kathy Moldenhauer informed the committee about a request to name a city space after a former long term committee member. Due to limited opportunities for namings a possible alternative could be a recognition wall of names. The committee supports investigating and developing strict criteria for inclusion.

6. City of Niagara Falls Recreation Committee Grant Application - Leadership Training

- a. Respect in Sport/Making Ethical Decisions, for Niagara United Soccer Club. This event took place on July 20, 2021 and September 18, 2021 online. Luciano Chieca is requesting funding to cover costs of registration fees – total fees \$43.90.
- b. Learn to Train, for Niagara United Soccer Club. This event took place on April 24, 2022 at Hamilton Soccer Club. Luciano Chieca is requesting funding to cover costs of registration fees – total fees \$260.00.

IT WAS MOVED BY Laurie Primeau, seconded by Terry Thomson, that the above applicant be approved for \$118.90.

Motion Carried

7. City of Niagara Falls Activity Subsidy Fund

- a. Applications received for financial assistance for two children to participate in playing baseball and the cost of equipment.
Junior Rookie House League, Greater Niagara Baseball Association – registration \$220. Equipment \$194.29. Total request \$414.29.
Senior Rookie House League, Greater Niagara Baseball Association – registration \$220. Equipment \$251.92. Total request \$471.92.

IT WAS MOVED BY Paisley Janvary-Pool, seconded by Aniko Bzdył, that the applications be approved for \$414.29 and \$471.92.

Motion Defeated

IT WAS MOVED BY Terry Thomson, seconded by Rob Desson, that the application be approved for \$320 per child (\$220 registration and \$100 equipment) for a total of \$640.

Motion Carried

8. New Business

Paisley Janvary-Pool informed the Committee that a tree that was dedicated to Keith Patterson, a former Recreation Committee Chair, has been cut down at the former Recreation Building site (Montrose and Lundy's Lane). Staff will investigate and update the committee regarding the tree.

9. Next Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at 5:30 pm in the MacBain Community Boardroom

10. Adjournment

IT WAS MOVED BY Rob Desson, seconded by Aniko Bzdyl, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Motion Carried