



COMMITTEE REPORT

PARKS AND RECREATION

DATE: February 7, 2023

Record of Attendance: Councillor Holly Hyslop (Chair), Councillor Lee Crouse (vice chair), and Dan Martin

Absent: Councillor Pat Septon, Clerk/Assistant Treasurer Sherri Johnston and Megan Keenan

Minutes taken by Councillor Hyslop

Mapping Vacant Land

- No update.

Continuation of Community Planning

- Family Day--- Family Day is Feb. 20th --- due to municipal reform, the election and appointment of committees, this was the first meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee. There is not a lot of time to organize an event, however, the committee recommended having a scavenger hunt in the park that could be posted online. Action: the chair will discuss with staff.
- Moonlight Hike---Saturday, March 11th at 7pm weather permitting. Action: staff to post online.
- Spring Craft Show---Saturday, March 25th from 10-4pm. Action: the committee asked whether a regular vendor could be responsible for opening/closing the facility. Action: the chair will discuss with staff.
- Easter Eggstravaganza---Saturday, April 1st from 2-4 pm.

Site Plan Addition: Tabled

Chipper:

- No update.

River Valley Cycling Club/BMX track:

- Councillor MacKenzie has received a quote for the engineered plans and will be bringing this forward to the February Council meeting.



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Review of Recommendations from the Recreation and Leisure Master Plan

- The plan continues to be reviewed and updated. The recommendation from the original Master Plan was that a full plan be done in 2023. Action: The chair will discuss a few operational issues with the clerk, i.e. the sign in the kiosk needs updating, signage is needed at a few of the outdoor classroom stations, etc...

Hanwell Jackets and Shirts:

- No update.

New Business:

- Nature Trust --- a representative will be giving a presentation at the March meeting.
- Committee mandate --- the chair handed out the current committee mandate. The committee recommends that the P&R committee continue as is until a new recreation coordinator is hired. This would allow time to review the policy.
- Grants --- The committee discussed whether there were any programs/activities that could be funded from the Sports and Rec branch.

Building Maintenance Officer Report:

- Dan was very busy dealing with the amount of fallen trees in the Hanwell Recreation Park.
- The trails are now in good shape and all groomed.
- The committee discussed the possibility that more help will be needed with summer maintenance due to the increase in infrastructure due to municipal reform. The chair mentioned the CBDC Southwest Retiree Employment Agency may be something the RC could explore.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Next meeting will be March 14, at 7:00pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Sherri Johnston,
Clerk/Assistant Treasurer