

Minutes
Wednesday, October 22, 2014
Meridian Centre, Hospitality Suite
1 IceDogs Way, St. Catharines at 5:15 p.m.

Attendance:

Kim Bauer	Chairman
Bill Phillips	Councillor
Bruce Williamson	Councillor
Brent Archer	Jr. B Falcons
Phil Baranoski	PHL
Glen Cyr	Adult Hockey League
Ken Houtby	St. Catharines Jr. A Lacrosse
Tony Penna	PHL
Kathi Plug	St. Catharines Recreation Skate
Jim Richardson	St. Catharines Female Hockey
Steve Secord	Garden City Minor Hockey Association

Absent:

Wayne Briggs-Jude	Scheduler for Hockey Leagues
Paul Coates	St. Catharines Jr. A Lacrosse
Jim Denham	Brock University
Lincoln Fannell	Minor Lacrosse
Dave Gerow	CYO and MD Hurricanes
Murray Nystrom	Brock University
Ken Russell	Winter Club
Mathew Siscoe	Councillor
Joanne Thomson	Ringette

Staff Liaison:

Sandra Neil	Manager of Enterprise Services, RCS
Dave Oakes	Director, RCS
Kim Garrod	Recording Secretary

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- 1. Call meeting to order (Chair)**
5:00 p.m.
 - 2. Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting**

August 13th, 2014

Moved by: Glen Cyr
Seconded by: Brent Archer

And September 10th, 2014

Moved by: Jim Richardson
Seconded by: Tony Penna

3. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meetings

August 13th, 2014

CARRIED

And September 10th, 2014

CARRIED

4. Reports and Updates

4.1 Chairman

The Focus Group meeting with the consultants for the Recreation Master Plan is scheduled directly following this meeting. Please be considerate of your time so that all organizations can voice their concerns.

4.2 Councillors

4.2.1 Congratulations to Jim Richardson for his help in having St. Catharines be chosen to host the 2016 Under 18 Women's World Championships.

4.2.2 The opening of the Meridian Centre was a success and is promoting the downtown core and improving business as planned.

4.3 City Staff

4.3.1 Sandra Neil revealed that Niagara Region is promoting "Concussion Safety" by providing a concussion prevention and management program. They will offer free and ongoing support to any minor sport organization. The website for the Niagara Region Public Health is www.niagararegion.ca/health (search: concussions). Sandra has additional handouts and posters if anyone wants them.

4.3.2 Sandra offered a presentation announcing the Rogers Hometown Hockey Event. This will be held in the downtown core on Saturday, December 13th from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 14th from 12:00 p.m. until the end of the hockey game broadcast. The NHL game will be between the Calgary Flames and Chicago Blackhawks and Ron MacLean will be hosting live.

They will be promoting local bands and entertainment; Kids Zone filled with hockey-themed games; involvement of downtown restaurants and businesses and meet and greets with NHL Alumni; local hockey heroes and celebrities.

They are looking for volunteers for garbage management. If any organization is willing to take this on for the two day event, Rogers is going to donate \$500.00 to their hockey association.

Rogers is also looking for volunteers for other areas throughout the event and schedules were printed for all jobs available. This will also be emailed out to our Committee along with the presentation. Details will also be available on the City website.

A Rogers Committee member has made arrangements with a local school to have an NHL player and Alumni visitation.

They will be having a "Cheer Like Never Before" contest and five organizations will be selected for that weekend.

Breakfast Television will be broadcasting from Seymour-Hannah on Friday, December 12th from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Sportnet Magazine has also done a special edition for this event.

Rogers is looking for local hockey stories so please email Sandra with your ideas and she will keep track of them for Rogers and Breakfast Television.

Rogers is also running this whole campaign including advertising costs which is a wonderful asset for St. Catharines.

5. New Business

5.1 A concern was expressed by a Committee member that Shinny Hockey is still being played at prime time hours.

6. Date of next meeting

November 12th, 2014 (if needed)

7. Motion to Adjourn to 5:30 p.m.

Moved by: Jim Richardson
Seconded by: Phil Baranoski
CARRIED