

## Minutes

**Thursday, April 19, 2018**

**Burgoyne Woods Room at 5:00pm**

### **Attendance:**

Councillor Bill Phillips, Chair  
Councillor Sal Sorrento ~ left at 6:00 p.m.  
Dave Gerow (Chair, Recreation Facilities and Programming Master Plan Implementation Advisory Committee – (Rec MP Committee)  
Diane Foster (Co-chair, Accessibility Advisory Committee)  
Robert Hillier (Chair, Active Transportation Committee)  
Dan Dillon (Director, Transportation and Environmental Services)  
Phil Cristi (Director of Parks Recreation and Cultural Services)  
Elizabeth Fritshaw (Community Relations Coordinator)

### **Regrets:**

Councillor Sandie Bellows  
Bernice Detorre (Chair, Town and Gown Advisory Committee)  
Bill Brouwer, Town and Gown (staff liaison)  
Amy Tomaino, Rec MP (staff liaison)

### **Staff Liaisons:**

Diana Lecinski, Accessibility Advisory Committee  
Peter Leyser, Active Transportation  
Leanne Kurek – Recording Secretary, SSC

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**1. The Chair, Councillor Phillips called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.**

**2. Motion to approve the agenda**

*That the Social Sustainability Committee adopt the agenda as presented*

Moved by: Dave Gerow

**Carried**

**3. Motion to approve the SSC minutes, Thurs, Jan 18, 2018.**

Moved by: Cllr. Sal Sorrento

**Carried**

#### **4. Business**

##### **4.1 2018 Waiving of Fees Applications (second intake) ~ Elizabeth Fritshaw**

- Application Review and recommendations ~ Elizabeth F

#### **Motion to approve the request for waiving of fees in their applications for the following organizations:**

*Motion to approve to waive \$187.46 for the African and Caribbean Soccer Tournament.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$124.05 for the Carousel Players Community Celebration.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$40.58 for the Evening of Stargazing.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$2,391.02 for the Facer European Festival.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$76.66 for the Fitz Kidz Easter Egg Hunt.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$305.47 for the Henley Regatta Opening Fireworks.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$768.87 for the PC Children's Baseball Tournament.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$293.35 for Soups, Stews and Brews.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$541.76 for the St. Catharines Wing Fest.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$431.91 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tree Lighting Celebration.*

*Motion to approve to waive \$436.05 for the Nurturing our Roots Pow Wow and \$509.50 for St. Catharines Open Streets 2018 if they are not successful in being awarded the SCCIP grant. If they receive the SCCIP grant the waiving of fees will be denied as per 1.4 in general principles.*

#### **Motion to decline the request for waiving of fees in their applications for the following:**

*Motion to decline Saint Francis Secondary School's request of \$1,262.26 to be waived for the Saint Francis Invitational Jr. Hockey Tournament as per low ranking in 1.1, 1.2 and 1.7 in general principles.*

*Motion to decline Links for Greener Learning's request of \$191.91 for the Earth Day Expo due to sponsorship from the Green Advisory Committee as per 1.4 in general principles.*

**Moved by:** Robert Hillier

**Seconded by:** Dave Gerow  
**Carried**

Recommendation approved as per delegated authority of Phil Cristi, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services.

***Action item:***

Committee to review the Special Events and Waiving of Fees policy and discuss any amendments at the next meeting (August 23, 2018.).

**4.2 Accessibility Advisory Committee**

i) 2017 Year End Report for the Accessibility Plan 2016-2020 (attached) ~ Diane Foster

- Note correction in Plan – Jack Foster (contact for St. Catharines Library) is now retired.

That the Social Sustainability Committee accepts the 2017 Year End Report for the Accessibility Plan 2016-2020.

**Moved by:** Cllr. Sal Sorrento  
**Carried**

ii) Accessibility Advisory Committee Update ~ Diane Foster

- Closed Captioning
  - This is not mandated through the Accessibility Legislation.
  - Live captioning for City Council meetings is an estimated cost of \$600/meeting, roughly \$15,000 for the year.

***Action item:***

Accessibility Advisory Committee to add Closed Captioning for City Council meeting to their 2019 objectives.

**4.3 Rec Master Plan Advisory Committee update ~ Dave Gerow**

- Focus Groups
  - Parks and Rec staff are working with Brock U on user group focus sessions in May 2018.
  - Report to come from staff in late spring / early summer.
- Cost Formula
  - How to cost out facilities
- Arena use
  - Committee is looking at the ice usage in the winter and also the dry floor in the summer.

- Golf Course Strategy
  - Standing budget item with Council
  - Looking for third party to operate on behalf of City.
- Outdoor Aquatics
  - Bogart Park - shovels are in ground
  - Goal is to have it open for July 1, 2018.
  - Next task force meeting is at Port Weller Community Centre on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5 p.m.
- Dave Gerow, Chair will be providing an update on the Rec Master Plan accomplishments by the committee to Council in September.

#### **4.4 Town and Gown Advisory update**

No update received – a representative from Town and Gown was not in attendance.

#### **4.5 Active Transportation Advisory update ~ Robert Hillier**

- Update on St. Catharines Active Transportation Advisory Committee Strategic Priorities 2017-2018 attached.
  - Road map for committee

#### ***Action items:***

Trails – ensure that they are accessible for walkers, wheelchairs. ~ Active Transportation Committee to discuss in regards to the Transportation Master Plan

Connectivity along Lock 1 – asphalt connections need to be established so those with mobility devices can get from car to the trail. ~ Dan Dillon and Peter Leyser to install pads where necessary.

#### **Motion to approve the presentations**

*That the Accessibility Advisory Committee, Rec MP Advisory Committee and Active Transportation Advisory Committee updates be approved, as presented*

**Moved by:** Diane Foster

**Seconded by:** Robert Hillier

***Carried***

#### **7. Other Business**

- City of St. Catharines was recognized as an Age Friendly Community.
  - Phil Cristi, Director of PRCS presented the plaque at the March 26<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

**8. Date of next meeting:** Thursday, August 23, 2018.  
5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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**9. Motion to adjourn**

*That the Social Sustainability Committee be adjourned at 6:21 p.m.*

**Moved by:** Dave Gerow

**Carried**