

DRAFT Minutes

Thursday, August 30, 2018

Burgoyne Woods Room at 5:00pm

Attendance:

Councillor Bill Phillips, Chair
Councillor Sal Sorrento
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)
Karthik Venkataraman (Senior Manager of Information Technology)
Lori Mambella (Manager, Programs and Culture Services)
Elizabeth Fritshaw (Community Relations Coordinator)

Regrets:

Councillor Sandie Bellows
Phil Cristi (Director of Parks Recreation and Cultural Services)
Jeanette Pillitteri, (Director of Corporate Support Services)
Bernice Detorre (Chair, Town and Gown Advisory Committee)
Bill Brouwer, Town and Gown (staff liaison)
Amy Tomaino, Rec MP (staff liaison)
Linda Murray, Accessibility Advisory Committee

Staff Liaisons:

Peter Leyser, Active Transportation
Leanne Kurek – Recording Secretary, SSC

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1. **The Chair, Councillor Phillips called the meeting to order at 5:04 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, Apr 19, 2018.**
Moved by: Robert Hillier
Carried

4. Business

4.1 2018 Waiving of Fees Applications (third 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 \$76.66 for the Fitz Garage Sale.

Motion to approve to waive \$76.66 for the Compassionate Kids STC – Family Fun Day.

Motion to approve to waive \$154.00 for Serves for Nerves.

Motion to approve to waive \$184.80 for the 10th Annual Smash for Sick Kids.

Motion to approve to waive \$284.56 for the Bantam Girls Select Tournament and \$785.05 for OSSTA Squirt Girls Select Provincial FastPitch if they have not applied for the Sports Tourism grant. If they receive the Sports Tourism grant the waiving of fees will be denied as per 1.4 in general principles.

Motion to approve to waive \$211.15 plus any additional overtime staff costs for the International Overdose Awareness Day Memorial.

Motion to request more information of the request for waiving of fees in their applications for the following:

Motion to request further information on charity component for Ruffsport & Aqua Dog's request of \$530.76 to be waived for the Pawz in the Park event.

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

Motion to approve to waive 100 percent of city fees totaling \$1152. for the Terry Fox Run pending official letter of request for all city fees to be waived.

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.

Motion to have any unallocated funds from the 2018 waiving of fees budget carried over and put in reserves for the 2018 waiving of fees budget.

Moved by: David Gerow
Carried

To be referred to the budget committee

4.2 Review of Waiving of Fees Policy

- Staff to research other waiving of fees policies and come back to committee with recommendations to be considered.

ACTION:

Circulate policy with recommendations in advance of November 15, 2018 meeting.

Circulate the City's Sports Tourism policy to committee in advance of the November 15, 2018 meeting.

4.3 Accessibility Advisory Committee

- PRCS presented to the AAC committee re: accessible playgrounds and parks
 - Committee recommended that all parks have rubberized cork surface. Staff to come back to committee.
 - Play structures that were presented were approved.

4.4 Rec Master Plan Advisory Committee update ~ Dave Gerow

- Bogart Splash Pad
 - Opened on time and on budget
 - High usage this summer
 - Success story for outdoor aquatics
- Brock University study / Focus Group
 - Consultation has taken place with committee
 - Brock is now consulting with 2019 users.
- Arena use
 - Committee is looking at the ice usage in the winter and also the dry floor in the summer.
- Arena Master Plan
 - Approved by council
 - Great addition to the Recreation Master Plan.
- Committee Achievements
 - See attachment
- Dave Gerow, Chair will be providing an update on the Rec Master Plan accomplishments by the committee to Council in November or December.

- Note recommended by Cllr Phillips, Chair that the presentation take place after the new council is sworn in.

4.5 Active Transportation Advisory update ~ Robert Hillier

- Met with consultants for the Transportation Master Plan
- Transportation Master Plan
 - Currently collecting information from Brock University.
 - Working with transit
 - Active transportation is only one component
- Budget
 - Committee would like a budget line in the future for bike racks etc.
- Cycling in St. Catharines maps
 - Features on road and off road facilities
 - Focus on connectivity
 - Will be put on the St. Catharines website

4.6 Town and Gown Advisory update

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

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

5. Recreation Inclusive & Accessible Plan

- Parks, Recreation and Culture Services are working to develop a policy and plan.

6. Other Business

- Mobi Mats
 - They are needed at Sunset Beach

ACTION:

To be included in the PRCS 2019 budget.

- Date of next meeting:** Thursday, November 15, 2018.
5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Burgoyne Woods Room

8. Motion to adjourn

That the Social Sustainability Committee be adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Moved by: Robert Hillier

Carried

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Recreation Master Plan Implementation Advisory Committee achievements to date / in-progress

What has the committee completed or worked on over the past 3-years?

- Haig Bowl lease
- Merritton Arena & Merritton Community Centre lease
- Pricing Policy Community Consultation and Focus Groups
- Keys to committees success - meeting frequency and constant dialogue
- Followed the Rec Master Plan but also remained flexible
- With the committee, you know the information is actually going somewhere (i.e. City Council)
- Arena Plan / Strategy
- Field Allocation Policy
- Bogart Splash Pad
- Professional & in-depth information
- The committee appreciates being informed and invited to key events by staff
- Golf Course Expression of Interest
- Fair/Professional discussions – very productive
- Input is given directly to staff which is win-win
- Prioritizing is key for future recommendations (be sure to consider and include costs)
- The committee helps council better understand
- Need to keep Canada 2021 Games in mind
- Open minded & big picture committee
- Community & staff collaboration
- Council respects the committee – voice is heard at Social Sustainability level
- Committee always work towards a consensus
- Functional committee

Achievements

As a current RMP Committee Member, what achievements would you like to highlight to Council?

How would you describe the Committee's role to Council?

How you describe the Committee's role to the RMP?

- Functional / Respectful / Collaborative
- Advisory
- Bring public feedback forward to the committee – sound board / voice for residents

- Resource
- Thorough / Research / Provide recommendations
- Look long-term – vision & strategy
- Keeper of the Rec Master Plan
- Guiding principles

Vision

As a current RMP Committee Member, where would you like the committee to go from here?

What is next for the new committee?

How can we maintain the current momentum?

What advice would you give to the next committee?

- Canada 2021 Summer Games
 - Arenas / fields / facilities / partners / Rec Master Plan Recommendations
- Carry on the momentum
- Review the Rec Master Plan List
 - Fairview
 - Lancaster
- Ensure the Rec Master Plan is a working document
 - Prioritize list as a checklist with short term, medium term and long term needs
- Re-evaluate status with new committee
- One task at a time
- Orientation before first meeting for new committee members
- Integration with other committees
 - Active Transportation
 - Accessibility Committee
- New members need to consider the commitment they are making
- Review of committee member #'s
 - 7+ is ideal – no more than 10
 - Diversity needs to be strongly considered