



COMMITTEE MINUTES

PARK RECREATION ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

MARCH 18, 2021@ 5:30 P.M.

Via - Zoom

A. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Queen called the Meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. with the following persons in attendance:

MEMBERS OF PARKS, RECREATION ARTS & CULTURE COMMITTEE:

Mayor N. Santos
Deputy Mayor G. Queen
Councillor T. Neufeld
A. Hickmott
M. Tremaine-Snip

MEMBERS OF ADMINISTRATION:

K. Loney Manager of Recreation,
Programs, and Special Events
D. Wolicki, Manager of Facilities and
Facilities

Absent: M. Shields

B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Deputy Mayor Queen reminded the Committee that any declaration is to be made prior to each items being discussed and to identify the nature of the conflict, if any, as the agenda items come forward.

C. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

- The Arts Society of Kingsville (ASK) a non-profit group was founded in 2013. Members are a unique blend of established and emerging artists with a range of talent from fine artists, creative writers, musicians, woodworkers, jewelers, mixed media, photographers, and many other creative arts.
- The proposal main objective is to have a home for artists to display their work in a professional setting. Exhibits from members and ARK would continue to align with The Town's events as the Carnegie could be used as a starting point for day-trippers and tourists.
- The Art Society of Kingsville is prepared to provide a volunteer art staff to be the Town's ambassadors. Key hours of operation will be established to attract both local and visitors after business hours and during weekends.
- ASK see's that together we can stimulate our tourism sector while providing a permanent location for the Arts Society of Kingsville. By supporting



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Kingsville's arts community the town is creating culture, stimulating business and economic growth, driving Kingsville's reputation as a tourism destination and inspire young minds through programming as they learn, grow and create.

18-2021 Moved by Melissa A. Hickmott and seconded by T. Hickmott to receive the report as presented and for administration to review for next steps.

CARRIED

D. STAFF REPORTS

1. K. Loney, Manager of Recreation Programs and Special Events

Council has set their 2021 – 2022 priorities. One of the items is to increase programming for youth and seniors. To support this K. Loney is developing a framework to identify how partnerships can be formed to increase programming. To understand what services exists in the community and what the youth and senior want a community assessment will be developed.

A Healthy Communities Initiative Grant has been submitted to the Federal Government. The key items in the grant revolve around creating outdoor spaces safe for people The following three area were requested under the title of 'Kingsville Play's,

- Save Open Streets,
- Safe Pop-up Play
- Safe Creative Experiences.

19-2021 Moved by M. Tremaine-Snip, seconded by A. Hickmott to receive the report as presented

CARRIED

2. D. Wolicki, Manager of Facilities and Property

COVID-19 Update:

Since February 16, 2021, Windsor-Essex County has remained the 'Red – Control Level' status under the province's COVID-19 response framework.

The following are some of the key enhanced measures under the 'Red - Control Level':

- Ten (10) persons per indoor facility
- One (1) parent and/or guardian per participant that is under the age of eighteen (18)
- Teams sports must not be practiced or played except for training (no games or scrimmage)



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- Activities that are likely to result in individuals coming within two (2) metres of each other are not permitted; no contact permitted for team or individual sports

Kingsville Arena

The facility remains operational and continues to host limited in-person programming and private rentals in compliance with COVID-19 measures under the 'Red – Control Level'.

Kingsville Rec. Complex

Improvements to Baseball Diamond #1 (Capital Project: PARKS-2021-9)

has been approved which includes new dugouts, fencing and infield renovations.

The RFQ for the Restoration of the Tennis Court Surface (Capital Project: PARKS-2021-11) has been issued and will close on Friday, March 26.

Pickleball and Bocce Court Complex

The contract has been awarded to Greenlight General Contracting Inc. and currently finalizing the site design.

New Dehumidification Unit (Capital Project: ARENA-2020-01)

Most of the internal work has been completed for the new dehumidification unit but the arrival of the new dehumidification will be delayed due to manufacturer constraints.

Lakeside Park

The RFP for the Lakeside Park Splash Pad and Washroom Facility (Capital Project: PARKS-2021-4) had closed on Friday, February 26 and proposals are currently being evaluated.

An application for paving (hard surfacing) trails at Lakeside Park (Capital Project: PARKS-2021-6) has been submitted for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Grant under the COVID-19 Stream.

Cottam Revitalization Plan

Rotary Park

The tender for the new playground equipment closed on Friday, February 12.

Proposed designs for the new playground equipment have been distributed through surveys to surrounding residents as part of the selection process, however due to limited responses; the survey has been posted online for further input from the residents within the community of Cottam.

Furthermore, the preferred design will be brought to the Accessibility Committee for review and input of the accessibility components of the new equipment.

Ridgeview Park

Improvements to Baseball Diamond #2 (Capital Project: PARKS-2020-2) are nearing completion as resurfacing of the infield remains;

Improvements to Baseball Diamond #3 (Capital Project: PARKS-2021-7)

has been approved which includes new dugouts, fencing and infield renovations.



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Marina

The removal of the developed sandbar within the mouth (entrance) of the channel is complete.

A new kiosk for the Boat Launch has been approved (Capital Project: MAR-2021-01), as replacement is required due to internal conditions that have been affected by high water levels that may pose a risk.

The new kiosk unit will also be relocated away from its current positioning to eliminate any potential hazards while improving the functionality and controls of the area.

Investigation is in progress for the potential removal of the west docks and consulted with an architect on cost effective options to repurpose the area to provide further functionality that would benefit the community.

Future Playground Parkquette in Ruthven

The tender for the new playground equipment (Capital Project: PARKS-2021-5) closed on Friday, February 19.

Proposed designs for the new playground equipment had been distributed through surveys to surrounding residents as part of the selection process including the survey for additional recreational amenities within the park as part of the Phase 2 development in 2022.

Phase 1 of the initial development will also include with access path (sidewalk) to the play structure and park furniture (picnic tables and benches).

Lion Parks Development – Phase 2

The consultant is developing the proposed tender documents for the construction of Phase 2 of the Lions Park development (Capital Project: PARKS-2020-2) which includes the following:

- Concrete plaza area with a shade structure
- Multi-Use Court (e.g. Ball hockey, other recreational activities)
- Additional park furniture (including bike racks)
- Additional plantings

User Groups

Ice User Groups

Through discussions among ice user groups had revealed minimal interest for use, unless the region moves to the 'Orange – Restrict Level', and even then, interest for regular use is still low. Efforts were made to attract outside users to fill the available ice time, but once again, limited interest was expressed.

After careful review, the Town had formally decided to wait to reinstall the ice until the Fall which has been communicated to each user group.

Baseball / Soccer User Groups

Representatives from each baseball and soccer user group attended a meeting on March 10 to discuss items surrounding the upcoming seasons, including:

- Timelines
- Scheduling
- Impacts from Construction



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- COVID-19 Proposals (Agreements, Waivers, Safety Plans)

20-2021 Moved by A. Hickmott, seconded by M. Tremaine-Snip to receive the report as presented.

CARRIED

E. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Parks Recreation Arts and Culture Meeting Minutes February 23, 2021

21-2021 Moved by A. Hickmott, seconded by T. Neufeld to receive the minutes of Parks Recreation Arts and Culture Committee Meeting dated February 23, 2021

CARRIED

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting Minutes January 12, 2021

Have developed a social media campaign to increase awareness of caring for the community. Everyone is asked to re-share the post from the Parks and Recreation Facebook page.

Several members have needed to resign from the committee and Communities in Bloom committee proposed that a membership campaign be launched.

22-2021 Moved by T. Neufeld, seconded by A. Hickmott to receive the minutes of Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting dated January 12, 2021.

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23-2021 Moved T. Neufeld, seconded by M. Tremaine-Snip that the clerk's office be asked to advertised for Community In Bloom new members.

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2. Fantasy of Lights Committee Meeting Minutes January 26, 2021

24-2021 Moved by N. Santos, seconded by M. Tremaine-Snip to receive the minutes of Fantasy of Lights Committee Meeting dated January 26, 2021



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G. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **G. Queen** - Forge Fish Letter of Request

25-2021 Moved by T. Neufeld, seconded by A. Hickmott that administration review the request from Xander Campbell and reply back to him on feasibility.

CARRIED

2. **D. Wolicki** – Access Control Measures to Pickleball Courts

- Each tennis and Pickleball courts have different access control measures
- Desire to have consistency between them all.

26-2021 Moved by T. Neufeld, seconded by M. Tremaine-Snip to receive the update and have Dan continue to look at various options.

CARRIED

3. **Special Event**

A request from the 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron out of Edmonton Alberta has been received. They are celebrating their 80th anniversary as a squadron and planning some activities in southern Ontario this summer.

The squadron history: 408 the “Kingsville” squadron was the second Canadian squadron stood up in June 1941 in support of No. 5 Bomber command, RAF. During wartime service, 408 flew 4,610 sorties with a total of 170 aircraft lost and 933 personnel killed, listed as missing in action (MIA) or taken as prisoners of war many from the southern Ontario region.

To celebrate on 26th of June are working with the Canadian Warplane heritage museum to do a commemorative fly past and hold an open house to engage with the public.

Ideally, on June 27 they would like to arrange a visit to Kingsville in order to meet the town the squadron was named for and provide the public an opportunity to see our aircraft.

K. Loney to continue to follow-up.



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H. NEXT MEETING DATE

1. April 15, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.

I. ADJOURNMENT

27-2021 Moved by T. Neufeld seconded by A. Hickmott to adjourn the Meeting at 6:58 P.M.

CARRIED

CHAIR, Deputy Mayor Queen

**RECORDING SECRETARY,
K. Loney**