

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 | 7:00 pm

Virtual Meeting | Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT Brandon Koebel | Tony Diaco | Mike Schierz | Ryan Enright | Danica Metcalfe | Keith Hopkins | Neil Simpson

OTHER MEMBERS Sherri Walden | Tom Karl | Laura Christen | Lyndsay Regier | Stephen Van Meer

1. **PRESENTATION** – Park N Water Ltd. | Stephen Van Meer
Stephen Van Meer provided a presentation on the proposed playgrounds for Optimist and Kinsmen Ball Parks and answered questions from committee members.
2. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** – Nil.
3. **ADOPTION OF March 23, 2022 MINUTES**
Moved by D. Metcalfe | Seconded by R. Enright
THAT the minutes of the March 23, 2022 regular meeting be approved as printed and circulated. CARRIED.
4. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / CORRESPONDENCE**
The following information items were included in the meeting package sent by email on April 22, 2022.
 - 4.1 HR-004 Workplace Violence & Harassment Statement, Policy & Form | Reminder noted to members to complete and return acknowledgement form.
5. **STAFF REPORTS**
 - 5.1 **Aquatics & Programs**
 - 5.1.1. Earth Day in Hanover was successful and included a variety of environmentally friendly activities featuring a community wide yard sale with over 20 participating residences, climate change seminar hosted by Hanover Public Library, children's recycled art contest and the Mayor's Tidy Town Challenge.
 - 5.1.2. 55+ Senior District Games – In June, Hanover will be hosting 3 events this year: billiards, swimming and pickleball. Winners of the 55+ Games can qualify for the provincial games in Peterborough in August.
 - 5.1.3. Summer Camps – Our summer camp has changed its name to the Hanover Kids Club Camp. 2022 camp line up includes: 6 weeks of Hanover Kids Club Camp and a number of Specialty Camps including: TSN (Sports Camp), Home Alone, Silver Lake Camp, Jr. Hoops, Jr. Firefighter, Camp Spark, Wild Encounters, Minecraft, Art, OEC, RAD Bike Camp, French Camp.
 - 5.1.4. Spring Swim Lessons – 335 participants (72% non-residents and 28% residents), 21 private lessons accommodated from a total of 31 requests.

5.2 Parks & Recreation Facilities

- 5.2.1. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry has stocked the river at Town Park with the release of 3000 brown trout.
- 5.2.2. 2021/2022 extended ice season – March 28 to April 17. A summary of our ice used for this period was included in the package. Total weekly hours were as follows:

March 28 – April 3	29.5 hours plus 8 hours department programs;
April 4 – 10	29.5 hours plus 8 hours department programs;
April 11-17	12 hours plus 5 hours department programs.

6. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION | DISCUSSION

6.1 Playground Development Next Steps

- 6.1.1. Confirmed Company – Consensus of committee members is to move forward with Park N Water Ltd. **ACTION:** A report will be provided for Council consideration.
- 6.1.2. Design revisions & colour direction – Committee members discussed possible colour combinations for playground design at the Optimist and Kinsmen Ball Parks. **ACTION:** Upon Council approval, discussion to occur with selected equipment provided for revisions.

6.2 Parks Public Information Session – Committee members reviewed and discussed session date and agenda content. Committee members agreed on June 1, 2022 at 7:00pm at the P & H Centre for an in person session. Investigating if the session could be recorded to be shared virtually.

6.3 Centre of Excellence Park concept - Committee members discussed and provided further input for draft request for quote scope of work. **ACTION:** S. Walden to revise and prepare final document.

6.4 Labyrinth of Distinction Nomination Consideration - Confidential voting by members occurred as per the policy and procedure. Member voting resulted in the nomination not achieving the required vote percentage for induction.

6.5 Support to Community Organizations – Defer to next meeting.

6.6 Long Term Rental Inquiry – Defer to next meeting.

6.7 Community Trails – East End Trail Development – Update was provided to committee members.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Committee member commented on Earth Day success and the positive clean up around town with the assistance of many volunteers. Suggestion to share date and event details more than 3 weeks prior to the event.

7.2 Inquiry about the optional amenity items quoted with the playground retrofit and if these items would be included in the report being provided to council. Discussion and clarification ensued.

8. **NEXT MEETING** - Wednesday, May 25, 2022 | 7:00 pm

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by D. Metcalfe | Seconded by K. Hopkins

THAT the meeting by adjourned at 10:00pm. CARRIED.