

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 | 7:00 pm

P & H Centre | Lounge

MEMBERS PRESENT Brandon Koebel | Tony Diaco | Ryan Enright (arrived at 7:20pm) | Danica Metcalfe

OTHER MEMBERS Sherri Walden | Tom Karl | Laura Christen | Lyndsay Regier

REGRETS Keith Hopkins | Neil Simpson | Mike Schierz

1. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** – Nil.

2. **ADOPTION OF April 27, 2022 MINUTES**

Moved by D. Metcalfe | Seconded by R. Enright

THAT the minutes of the April 27, 2022 regular meeting be approved as printed and circulated. CARRIED.

3. **ADOPTION OF May 11, 2022 Disc Golf Ad Hoc Committee MINUTES**

Moved by B. Koebel | Seconded by T. Diaco

THAT the minutes of the May 11, 2022 Disc Golf Ad Hoc Committee meeting be approved as printed and circulated. CARRIED.

4. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION / CORRESPONDENCE** – No items.

5. **STAFF REPORTS**

5.1 **Aquatics & Programs**

5.1.1. Canada Day – Celebrations will take place in the Heritage Square. The event will start at 11:00am and will include the Mayor's welcome and Town Crier, live entertainment, charity BBQ hosted by the Hanover Rotary Club, children's carnival and free swim at the P & H Centre. Decorating challenge will also be held with Canadian Tire as the sponsor.

5.1.2. Disc Golf – First meeting was held on Wednesday May 11. The committee's first priority is site selection and building community awareness about the sport. The committee is working towards setting up a disc golf "Try It" station for Canada Day.

5.1.3. Summer Day Camps – Registration is open.

5.1.4. Summer pool schedule is available. Swim lessons sessions include bi-weekly and weekly class options.

5.1.5. Fall hiring – Applications for Instructor Guards will continue to be considered as our current number of applicants is less than our position needs.

5.2 **Parks & Recreation Facilities**

5.2.1. Eat Well Market returns on Saturdays in Heritage Square starting June 4.

- 5.2.2. Staff have removed the playground units that were past their lifespan at Optimist, Robert F. Steers (Legion) and Kinsmen Ball Park playgrounds as per the Playcheck Services inspection.
- 5.2.3. Kinsmen Ball Park – The infield/outfield lips were removed and backfilled with granite mix. These lips are created over time by encroaching grass and during infield grooming.
- 5.2.4. Ball diamonds and soccer pitches were ready for the season start as of May 16th.
- 5.2.5. Secondary Trails East End – It is suggested trail users explore the secondary trail via the access just west of trail marker 12. It loops back to Rail Lands Leisure Park and big black bridge. The secondary trail will be noted with an environmentally suitable product tree marking and signs at access points to assist individuals using these trails to find their way. This is an alternate trail option with the closure of the trail on Saugeen Cedar West property.

6. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION | DISCUSSION

6.1 Playground Development Next Steps

- 6.1.1. Optimist Park | Rename – The complete retrofit of the playground is an opportunity to consider re-naming the park. **ACTION:** Committee members will consider further using the Municipal Naming Properties policy.

6.2 **Parks Public Information Session** – Committee members reviewed and provided revisions input for the Parks Public Information Session presentation.

6.3 **Centre of Excellence Park Update** – Committee members were provided an update on the input from a Landscape Architect firm and the need to understand applicable SVCA requirements for Hanover Park.

6.4 **Community Trails – East End Trail Development Update** – An update was provided and a visual using the online Grey County GIS map to outline the potential east end trail loop was noted.

6.5 **Support to Community Organizations** – Defer.

6.6 **Long Term Rental Inquiry** – Agenda item deleted as long-term rental not proceeding further.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

- 7.1 Committee member noted 7th Street trail access and the encroachment of the rocks onto the stairs. Staff noted it was on staff task list.

8. **NEXT MEETING** - Wednesday, June 22, 2022 | 7:00 pm

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by R. Enright | Seconded by D. Metcalfe
THAT the meeting by adjourned at 8:50pm. CARRIED.