

**Township of McKellar
RECREATION COMMITTEE
March 26, 2015**

PRESENT: Georgina Arnott, Linda Filion, Morley Haskim, Joyce Hopkins, Elaine McMahon, Lindsay Moffat

REGRETS: Wendy Debruge

VISITORS: Al Last

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

ACCEPT MINUTES: Moved by Linda Filion and Seconded by Joyce Hopkins that the minutes of the February 26, 2015 meeting be approved as presented. Motion Carried. (15-16)

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

VISITOR REPORTS: Al Last reported that there were no tagged fish caught during his week-long March Break event. As a result, the Recreation Committee was presented with the \$453 of community-donated monies that he had collected. The money was given to the Recreation Committee with the understanding these funds would be used in the future for a family fishing event. Morley will work with Sherri Ridsdale in the Township office to assure these funds are managed appropriately. Al presented his ideas for hosting a regular "Movie Night" and gave examples of a similar project he was involved in. The Committee agreed to revisit this item later in the year with an intention of hosting such nights in the Community Centre after daylight savings time has ended. Al left the meeting after this discussion (7:02 p.m.).

CORRESPONDENCE: The Committee received a thank-you card from a family that attended the Family Fishing and Fun Day on March 21.

REPORTS OF MEMBERS:

Joyce reported that she was able to purchase five (5) high quality second hand badminton rackets for a total of \$12.00. The racquets need to be re-gripped at an approximate cost of \$6.00 each. There will be no badminton on Easter Monday and the program comes to an end on April 27.

There are five people registered for the current session of Yoga. The instructor would like to return to the 7:00-9:00 p.m. timeslot in the fall.

There are 12-14 regulars in attendance at the Tai Chi program, which ends June 30.

The arm wrestling program, which has 5-7 regulars, will be submitting a request for a second session.

The Pilates program has five individuals in the current session, which ends April 2. The instructor has requested an extension of the program for a further six week period.

Moved by Elaine McMahon and Seconded by Linda Filion that the Pilates program be continued for a six-week period commencing April 9. Motion Carried. (15-17)

Linda reported that the skating program was a success with 12 students in attendance.

Elaine will contact the organizers of the exercise program to determine if they would like to continue year-round.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Kids Fishing and Fun Day: The March 21, 2015 event was a resounding success and there has been discussion of hosting the event again next year. The Committee was able to stay close to the budget for this event, and due to numerous donations, made a small profit. There are eight (8) small prizes left, along with four (4) \$25.00 Canadian Tire gift cards, two (2) backpacks, two (2) tote bags, and two (2) pieces of art. As these items were donated with the intention of being used as prizes for a fishing event, the Committee agreed to use them for the proposed Fishing and Fun Day in Minerva Park (Financial Statement attached).

- Swim Instructor: Lindsay reported that Elizabeth Edington is interested in returning as the swim instructor. Elizabeth is unable to confirm her availability for August at this time due to her candidacy for the National Dragon Boat team. If she makes the team, she is required to attend a pre-World's preparation camp from August 11-August 24. The Committee agreed to offer the position to Elizabeth for the month of July and work out scheduling for August when the results of the selection camp are known (mid-May).

Moved by Joyce Hopkins and Seconded by Elaine McMahon that Elizabeth Edington be offered the position of swim instruction for the summer of 2015. Motion Carried. (15-18)

- McKellar Art Tour: The McKellar Art Tour is scheduled for Sunday, August 2, from 12:00-5:00 p.m.. There are currently 3-4 confirmed artists; it is hoped to have approximately 12 artists for the tour. The Hurdville Hall has been rented for this day.

- Balsam Trail Hike: Joyce will work with Rick Snider to determine a date. This item will be discussed further at the next meeting.

- Contra Dance: The Committee is awaiting a new date for the Contra Dance from Wave Weir.

- Parry Sound Singers: Joyce has not been able to connect with the head of the Parry Sound Singers, but will continue in her attempt and report on the results at the next meeting.

- Recreation Committee Budget: The Committee reviewed and amended the proposed budget circulated by Morley. There was brief discussion regarding the rink sound system; it is an item the Recreation Committee would like revisited. Morley will make the amendments to the budget as discussed and present the Recreation Committee budget to council.

Moved by Linda Filion and Seconded by Joyce Hopkins the Recreation Committee budget by approved as amended. Motion Carried. (15-19)

NEW BUSINESS:

- T-Ball/Baseball/Soccer: Discussion took place regarding the upcoming youth baseball and soccer programming. Although there are no finalized details, the Committee agrees to accept the programs in principal.

Moved by Linda Filion and Seconded by Lindsay Moffat that the youth baseball and soccer programs be offered in 2015. Motion Carried. (15-20)

- Dinner/Comedy Night: Lindsay will investigate this option further and report at the next meeting.
- Family Fishing and Fun Day in Minerva Park: The Committee discussed various ideas for a Family Fishing and Fun Day to be held this summer in Minerva Park. This item to be discussed further at the next meeting.

Moved by Elaine McMahon and Seconded by Linda Filion that the Recreation Committee organize a Family Fishing and Fun Day in Minerva Park. Motion Carried. (15-21)

- Golf Tournament: The Committee will revisit hosting a golf tournament at The Ridge in the fall.
- Mike Lynch Concert: A musician named Mike Lynch is willing to perform at the Community Centre on Friday, July 3rd. The details have yet to be finalized, but the Committee would like to move forward on this opportunity. The event will be similar to the recent Valentine's Day Dance.

Moved by Joyce Hopkins and Seconded by Elaine McMahon that the Recreation Committee host Mike Lynch at the Community Centre on Friday, July 3rd, 2015. Motion Carried (15-22)

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 30 2015 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Linda Filion and Seconded by Joyce Hopkins that the Township of McKellar Recreation Committee adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Motion Carried. (15-23)