

**Township of McKellar**  
**RECREATION COMMITTEE – DRAFT MINUTES**  
**October 29, 2015**

**PRESENT:** Morley Haskim, Wendy Debruge, Joyce Hopkins, Elaine McMahon, Lindsay Moffat  
**REGRETS:** Georgina Arnott, Linda Filion  
**VISITORS:** Mackenzie Taylor, Al Last

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

**ACCEPT MINUTES:** Moved by Joyce Hopkins and Seconded by Morley Haskim that the minutes of the August 20, 2015 meeting be approved as amended. Motion Carried (15-47).

**DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None

**VISITOR REPORTS:** Al Last presented the Committee with information regarding the licensing options for the proposed McKellar movie nights. The licensing option from Criterion Pictures is \$660 plus tax for one year. This licensing allows one viewing each of any of the movies that fall under the Criterion umbrella. The Committee discussed the possibility of operating a canteen at the movie nights to sell pop, water and popcorn. Discussion took place regarding the importance of selecting family friendly movies. (Georgina joined the meeting at this point).

Moved by Wendy Debruge and Seconded by Joyce Hopkins that the Recreation Committee authorize up to \$800.00 to purchase the appropriate licensing for screening movies at the McKellar Community Centre. Motion Carried (15-48).

**CORRESPONDENCE:** The Committee received a request from James Whitehall on behalf of the arm wrestling group requesting the use of the Youth Room for 2016. Jane Saville has submitted a request to use the Community Centre to continue her yoga program this winter. The seniors exercise class has resumed on Monday's and Wednesday's from 10:30 a.m. – noon. The Committee received a thank-you from Hospice West Parry Sound for supporting the Barb Kerr Lifestyles Expo as the registration fees for this event were donated to Hospice.

**REPORTS OF MEMBERS:** Joyce reported that badminton is scheduled to resume on Monday, November 2, 2015. It will run Monday and Wednesday nights from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Joyce and Betty Brant remain the contacts for this activity. The Committee briefly reviewed the updated Recreation Committee budget circulated by Mackenzie. It was agreed that Mackenzie will seek clarification on budget values and report back to the Committee; specific concern related to skate program expenses.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Hallowe'en (Saturday, October 31): Decorating will occur Saturday morning. There are 60 treat bags assembled for distribution. Members who will be handing out treat bags are requested to dress in an appropriate Hallowe'en costume. The McKellar Fire Department and the Red Door Bakery will also be handing out goodies from the Community Centre.
- Parry Sound Singers: Regrettably, the Parry Sound Singers are not available for a Christmas show at the Community Centre.

- Kids' Christmas Party: The Committee discussed the possibility of hosting a Kids' Christmas Party. It was agreed that due to timing constraints this is not a viable option for this year, but the Committee will revisit this for 2016.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Rentals: Discussion took place regarding the rental fees for the use of the Community Centre.

Moved by Joyce Hopkins and Seconded by Georgina Arnott that whereas the Township of McKellar may review user fees for Recreation Committee activities, and whereas the Recreation Committee's priority is to promote active living and entertainment for the residents of McKellar, the McKellar Recreation Committee strongly recommends that the fee structure remain as is. Motion Carried (15-49).

- Recreation Committee: The Committee briefly reviewed and discussed the terms of reference for the Recreation Committee, which require 5-11 residents of McKellar (By-Law 2012-08 #2B). Using the Historical Committee as a point of comparison, the Recreation Committee would like to broaden its allowable membership.

Moved by Wendy Debruge and Seconded by Joyce Hopkins that the Recreation Committee recommend to council that anyone with an interest in promoting recreational activities in McKellar be allowed to serve on the McKellar Recreation Committee. Motion Carried (15-50).

- Frank Deresti Band: Wave Weir has indicated that the Frank Deresti Band will be in the area February 18/19 and April 28/29. The Recreation Committee will request Wave obtain more information from this band before making a final decision, but would like to consider an event similar to the Mike Lynch Canada Celebration for the date of April 29, 2016.

- New Year's: Lindsay has been approached by many community members who would like to see a New Year's dance return to McKellar. After discussion, the Committee agreed that there is not enough time to organize such an event for this year, but will consider for the future.

- Kids Indoor Activities: Lindsay has been approached by several area residents who are interested in indoor activities in McKellar for their children for the winter months. While there is currently limited capacity for such activity, the discussion moved towards offering March Break activities. March Break runs from March 14-18, 2016. Ideas included ½ days skills camps/sports clinics. A potential date of Saturday, March 19, 2016 was presented for the second annual Kids' Winter Fishing & Fun Day. Other ideas for kids' activities included initiating a drama group and coordinating colouring contests with other local events (such as the McKellar Fall Fair).

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Wendy Debruge and Seconded by Lindsay Moffat that the Township of McKellar Recreation Committee adjourn at 8:12 p.m. Motion Carried (15-51).