

**Township of McKellar**  
**RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES - DRAFT**  
**April 28, 2016**

**PRESENT:** Georgina Arnott, Wendy Debruge, Linda Fillion, Morley Haskim, Joyce Hopkins, Elaine McMahon, Lindsay Moffat

**VISITORS:** Sherri Ridsdale, Al Last

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ACCEPT MINUTES:** Moved by Elaine McMahon and Seconded by Joyce Hopkins that the minutes of the March 31, 2016 Recreation Committee meeting be approved as presented. Motion Carried (16-14).

**DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:** None

**VISITOR REPORTS:** Al Last stated that he is willing to continue assisting with the Movie Nights if they were to resume in the fall. Al left the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**REPORTS OF MEMBERS:**

Wendy reported that there was not a great turnout for the youth sports registration night; a total of 16 kids have been signed up for the three sports offered. A second registration/meeting night will be held on May 16 at 6:30 p.m. It will be determined at that time if any of the sports will be offered this season. For comparison, 60 kids signed up for baseball and 23 for soccer last year. There was brief discussion around the need for a portable toilet near the beach area.

Linda reported that 16 kids were registered for the winter skating program. The program was once again successful, bringing in a profit of just over \$200. Discussion took place around the need for spectator seating and/or benches for skaters near the arena.

Elaine and Joyce reported that the Spring Fling dance on April 15 was well enjoyed by those in attendance. Thanks to Mrs. Wilson's Kitchen, Beverly's Gift Baskets, Joyce Hopkins, and Irva and Gord Stewart for sponsoring the four spot dances. Also thanks to the Dunchurch Legion for operating the bar and the Whitestone/McKellar Lions Club for the food.

The storage cleanup on April 10 was productive; many items were disposed of and kept items are now neatly organized. A big thank-you to Wendy and her son Joey, Joyce, Georgina and Elaine for their time and effort on this project.

The McKellar Art Tour will happen sometime between now and October; more information will be brought forward at May's meeting. The nature walk will be guided by either Steve Munro or Ken Webb; a date has not yet been set.

A big thank-you to Morley for providing the new badminton racquet stand; it is small, compact and space saving. The new stand works perfectly and is greatly appreciated. Badminton ended on April 25 and is set to begin again the first Monday in November.

Moved by Linda Filion and Seconded by Wendy Debruge that the Joyce Hopkins can spend up to \$250.00 on the purchase badminton racquets, birds, and racquet repair tape. Motion Carried (16-15).

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Movie Nights: After further discussion, the Committee decided to renew the licensing for the Movie Nights for an additional one year period. The success of the upcoming year will be analyzed and reviewed at the end of that time period.

Moved by Wendy Debruge and Seconded by Linda Filion that the movie licensing agreement be renewed for an additional one-year period. Motion Carried (16-16).

- Summer Dance: Just for Kicks has been booked for Saturday, August 20. Although this is the same day as the Dunchurch Fall Fair, the Dunchurch Legion has agreed to do the bar. Linda will check with the Parry Sound Lions Club to see if they are interested/available for the food sales.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- McKellar Bikes: Parry Sound Bikes is willing to come on board to assist with organizing a "McKellar Bikes" bike trip around the McKellar area. Two different route options are being considered: one shorter ride to The Ridge (around 15-20km) and a longer ride to Tait's Landing (approximately 40 km). A possible date in Sunday, August 7, preferably in the morning. Anyone interested in being on the organizing sub-committee is asked to contact Morley.
- Swim Instructor: Unfortunately, our swim instructor from the last couple of seasons is not able to return this year. The swim instructor position has been posted and the office has been contacted by one interested candidate thus far. Summer 2015 lessons were offered in two week sessions in both July and August.
- Intern: Sherri reported that an application for an intern has been submitted to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC). The application and approval process takes up to three months; the office will let the various committees know when a decision has been made by NOHFC.

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, May 26, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Wendy Debruge and Seconded by Linda Filion that the Township of McKellar Recreation Committee adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Motion Carried (16-17).