



**ARGYLE MUNICIPAL RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018
5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.**

Present: Nicole Albright, Lorelei Atkinson, Scott Surette, Kathy Bourque, Chris Doucette, Vicky Belliveau, Josh Greene, Maurice Babin, Aldéric Boudreau, Natalie d'Entremont, Ginette d'Entremont

Regrets: Mariette d'Entremont

Absent: Malcolm Madden, Roderick Murphy Jr.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Nicole Albright at 5:35 pm.

Welcome: Nicole Albright welcomed Vicky Belliveau of East Pubnico as a new member of the ARC, representing District 7.

Review & Acceptance of Agenda/ Conflict of Interest Declaration: On motion by Kathy Bourque and seconded by Lorelei Atkinson that the agenda is approved as circulated.
Motion Carried

Approval of February 15, 2018 minutes:

On motion by Scott Surette and seconded by Maurice Babin that the minutes are approved with amendments. *Motion Carried*

Business arising from the minutes:

- ✓ **District 8 member:** Carla d'Entremont was asked to be a member of the ARC committee, however, she is not interested. Justine White has accepted to be on the committee to represent District 8 and will join the group in October 2018 when she is done her studies and returns to the area.
- ✓ **East Pubnico Bike and Walking Park:** There have been some repairs and changes to the park. The middle of the 3 bumps has been removed. The small balance beam has been widened to twice it's size. The embankment near the balance beam was reduced and the curve repaired so that it's not so sharp. The bleachers were borrowed for the Log rolling competition taking place in Barrington in June and will be returned fixed at no charge to the Municipality in exchange for using them.

Financial Report:

Ginette read through the financial report. It was moved by Ginette d'Entremont and seconded by Kathy Bourque to accept the financial report as discussed. *Motion Carried*

Director of Programming and Active Living Report/Information Items:

Ginette went through the her report. A discussion was had on the events listed.

It was moved by Ginette d'Entremont and seconded by Chris Doucette to approve the Director of Programming and Active Living Report. *Motion Carried*

Director of Recreation Services Report:

Natalie read through her report. A discussion was had on the events listed. It was moved by Natalie d'Entremont and seconded by Maurice Babin to approve the Director of Recreation Services Report. *Motion Carried*

Old Business:

- ✓ **Kemptville Ball field update:** The dugouts and the covered picnic area are in desperate need of repair. The Kemptville Recreation Commission will make application to the Province for a CRCG grant. They have money to contribute to the project and the Municipality will also contribute funds. The grant can bring in 1/3 of the estimated project costs. The Recreation Department will assist the Kemptville Recreation Commission with the application.

New Business:

- ✓ **Grants:** The Recreation Department received \$3960 from Canada Summer Jobs and \$4307.04 from Young Canada Works. The Argyle Minor Soccer Club received \$3436 from Canada Summer Jobs.
- ✓ **Facility Access report:** \$23,500 was received from the Province for Yarmouth and Shelburne County, filtered through Yarmouth Shelburne Municipal Recreation Association (YSMRA). \$10,000 will go towards phase 2 of the audit on Recreation facilities to improve accessibility.
- ✓ **RNS Conference program update:** The RNS Conference will be held on October 25-26, 2018. YSMRA has been asked to be in charge of the program for the conference. Tim Merry will be the keynote speaker and also do the closing segment.

Area Reports:

- **Kathy Bourque:** There will be a lobster supper on June 10 at the East Side Community Centre. The East Pubnico and West Pubnico parishes each received a 16 week grant from Canada Summer Jobs. Jobs to begin in mid May to the end of August. François Cormier was contacted regarding the old boat launch in East Pubnico, he will get back to Kathy with a report.
- **Scott Surette:** Scott inquired on the Hubbard's Point Playgrand project. The Recreation Department is supporting the project, the group has applied for funding. If they are unsuccessful with the funding they will proceed with the playground and make it a multi-year project.

Strategic Planning:

The committee went through an exercise together to discuss the topics that were identified as important in a previous meeting. Each topic was rated in an effort to identify the level of difficulty of attempting the project as well as the level of success that the project would actually be achieved.

The goals that were identified for 2014-2017 were looked at to see if they were still relevant to the strategic plan of the Recreation Department. It was felt that all 6 goals were still relevant and important to the strategic plan. It was noted that one of the goals needs to include inclusion and accessibility. The next steps will be to look at each goal separately and identify the objectives for each.

Next Meeting: ARC meeting May 17, 2018 @ 5:30 pm

Adjournment – It was moved by Kathy Bourque to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm.