

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WELLINGTON NORTH
RECREATION & CULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2019 @ 8:30 A.M.
MOUNT FOREST & DISTRICT SPORTS COMPLEX – PLUME ROOM**

Committee Members Present:

- Steve McCabe, Councillor, Chair
- Andrew Lennox, Mayor
- Lisa Hern, Councillor

Absent:

- Sherry Burke, Councillor
- Brian Milne, Deputy Mayor, Township of Southgate

Staff Members Present:

- Michael Givens, Chief Administrative Office
- Catherine Conrad, Deputy Clerk
- Matthew Aston, Director of Operations
- Tom Bowden, Recreation Services Manager
- Mandy Jones, Community Recreation Coordinator
- Tasha Grafos, Administrative Support

Calling to Order
Adoption of Agenda
<p>RESOLUTION REC 2019-032 Moved: Mayor Lennox Seconded: Councillor Hern <i>THAT the agenda for the July 9, 2019 Township of Wellington North Recreation and Culture Committee meeting be accepted and passed.</i> CARRIED</p>
Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest - None
Minutes of Previous Meeting – May 28, 2019 (approved by Council on July 8, 2019)
Business Arising From Minutes - none
Presentation
<p>David Sharpe, Mount Forest Fireworks Festival committee, provided an update on preparations for the festival.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concrete pad for burnout competition has been installed and final grading will be completed. • Events include a monster bingo, ribfest, burn out competition, roller skating, car show, demolition derby MEGA Truck tug-o-war, axe throwing, kids zone, Touch a Truck, soap box derby. • Delivery and setting up of fencing, picnic tables, bleachers, cement blocks has been arranged. • Jeremy’s Crescent residents concerns have been addressed. • Volunteers are still needed to cover 70 shifts.

The festival committee is losing their storage facility at the former Rona shed and requested Township approval to locate a garage/shed on the arena site. A cement pad would be poured to set the garage/shed on. The Committee informed Mr. Sharpe that they would have to meet all requirements, obtain necessary permits and cover all costs.

Mr. Sharpe informed the Committee that the midway site will not be available in 2020 and requested permission to use the property behind the arena that is now owned by the Township.

RESOLUTION REC 2019-033

Moved: Mayor Lennox

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Recreation and Culture Committee recommend to Council that the Township owned lands to the south west of the Mount Forest Sports Complex be designated for use by the Mount Forest Fireworks Festival for the 2020 midway.

CARRIED

Reports

1. Facility Revenue Report

RESOLUTION REC 2019-034

Moved: Mayor Lennox

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Recreation and Culture Committee receive the Facility Revenue Report.

CARRIED

2. Year-to-Date Financial Report ending June 30, 2019

RESOLUTION REC 2019-035

Moved: Mayor Lennox

Seconded: Councillor Hern

THAT the Recreation and Culture Committee receive the Year-to-Date Recreation Financial Summary Report ending June 30, 2019.

CARRIED

3. Wellington North Summer Day Camp Program Update (verbal)

The Township applied to the County of Wellington to enter into a Fee Subsidy Agreement, which would offer financial support for children that otherwise couldn't attend. Required inspections are being conducted this week. Several weeks are already at capacity. The camps are running well. Arthur Foodland is providing snacks and there have been other donations. The majority of children are 5 to 7 years old.

4. Wellington North Aquatics Update (verbal)

The pools are up and running. There have been a few challenges with a leak at the Mount Forest pool. Registration is going well, and staff is promoting passes.

5. Capital Project Update (verbal)

Compressor 1 is in. Lawn tractor is done. Tractor in Mount Forest is done. The pickup truck has been ordered from Leslie Motors in Harriston. The ice edger will be delivered this month. Foundation for the storage building in Arthur has been dug and will be

backfilled this week with complete of the building at the end of July. Mulch is being removed from the Mount Forest walking trail and stone dust will be put down. Ten loads of gravel have been ordered for the Arthur/West Luther trail. The surface at the Arthur pavilion has been leveled and the baseball netting has been well received.

Other Business (verbal)

Ad Hoc Committee Updates

- Mount Forest Aquatics

A site meeting was held last week for the Mount Forest Splash Pad. A meeting was held with the Agricultural Society to address their concerns with the proximity to the western horse show ring. Two trees will have to come down. New trees will be planted as part of the landscaping. A site meeting with the Chair of the aquatic Committee, staff and Janet from Openspace Solutions will take place next week. Construction is set to begin on July 15.

- Arthur Village Skateboard/BMX

The Arthur Lions Club is having a thermometer printed to show funding progress. It will be displayed in a store window downtown and at events they take part in. The Club has contacted Canadian Ramp Company and looked at the park in Drayton. Fundraising is going well with \$20,000 being raised so far.

- Lynes Blacksmith Shop

Renovations to windows and front doors are underway.

New Business/Roundtable

Tom Bowden, Recreation Services Manager, provided the following updates:

- Diamond C in Arthur is now being used.
- The Mount Forest Patriots are doing renovations to their room.
- The Molok containers are in the ground and the first pickup was last week. The only one that was full was at the Arthur park after the Canada Day celebrations.
- The Wellington North Ice Allocation meeting was held on July 3. Mount Forest ice will be in for August 26.

Mandy Jones, Community Recreation Coordinator, is working with a group in Arthur that would like to have a ladies ball league next year.

Next Meeting – September 3, 2019

Adjournment

RESOLUTION REC 2019-032

Moved: Councillor Hern

Seconded: Mayor Lennox

THAT the Township of Wellington North Recreation and Culture Committee meeting of July 10, 2019 be adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

CARRIED