



The Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting
MINUTES

May 25, 2021
3:45 p.m.
E-participation

Committee Present: Councillor Dalgity
Councillor Guerard
Christine Andersen
Lyn Button
Sherryl Smith
Scott Newton
Terry Ainsworth
Vicki Lowe
Victoria James-Lafleur

Staff Present: Calvin Murphy, Recreation Manager
Dawn McDonald, Administrative Assistant

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Newton called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Vicki Lowe

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Sherryl Smith

Seconded by Councillor Guerard

THAT the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting on March 30, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

E. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

E.1 Don Maynard Park

Steve Maynard provided a deputation on Don Maynard Park, outlining the proposed changes for 2021 including removal of sumacs and vegetation along the back of the park and planting of blue spruce trees as per the drawing provided. Work to be completed by volunteers and funds raised through donations. Possible plans for future work include additional planting, cedar rail fence, firm surface path and accessible playground.

ACTION: Deputant to submit detailed plan to Recreation Manager for discussion at the next Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting on June 29, 2021.

Moved by Councillor Dalgity

Seconded by Terry Ainsworth

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee receive the deputation by Steve Maynard re: Don Maynard Park for information.

CARRIED

F. REPORTS

F.1 Dog Park Working Group Minutes

Moved by Councillor Guerard

Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

THAT the minutes from the Dog Park Working Group dated April 8, 2021 and April 22, 2021 be received for information.

CARRIED

F.2 Dog Park Working Group - Survey

Councillor Dalgity provided a brief demonstration using a response driven survey program.

ACTION: That the Dog Park Working Group proceed with the development of a roll out plan for survey distribution.

Moved by Vicki Lowe

Seconded by Councillor Guerard

THAT the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee accept the survey as presented.

CARRIED

G. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

The Recreation Manager provided the following updates on items previously discussed:

- A meeting to view the upper hall kitchen at the Almonte Community Centre will be scheduled once municipal facilities re-open.
- The Almonte Soccer Club is still hoping to run some type of a soccer season, likely in July in accordance with the Provincial roll out however due to the late season start, it is doubtful that there will be a 2021 municipal recreation soccer program.
- Staff are getting ready to line and prepare the pitches. Baseball will hopefully start up in July.
- Tennis, disc golf, and play structures are now open.
- Splash pads opened Sunday, May 23 along with washrooms which are being cleaned every 2 hours, on advisement of the public health unit. Staff are commended on their hard work in pulling this together. Councillor Dalgity thanked Calvin and his staff for responding so quickly.
- The provincial stay at home order is still in effect until June 2nd. Step 1 of the Provincial Plan is scheduled to take effect June 14th. Staff will react as quickly as possible once guidelines are finalized and disseminated.

- The award of contract for construction of Mill Run Park has been approved by Council. The layout has been finalized and grading will begin in the next couple of weeks. Anticipated completion is mid to late October.

H. ROUND TABLE

- Community Service Master Plan
- Gypsy Moss
- Vaccinations continuing at Almonte Arena.
- Beach and boat launch open at the Almonte fair grounds.
- Noxious weeds reported at the boat launch in Appleton. Residents advised to notify Public Works.

I. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

John Miotla provided a delegation at the May 18th Council meeting re: moving the Junior C Inferno hockey team to Almonte.

J. OTHER / NEW BUSINESS

K. MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee will be June 29, 2021 at 3:45 p.m. The committee will not be meeting in July.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Vicki Lowe

Seconded by Lyn Button

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

CARRIED

Dawn McDonald, Recording
Secretary