

APPROVED

KENTVILLE PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Thursday, January 18th, 2007

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

The above meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers by Chairman Pearl.

PRESENT:

Chairman Pearl, Councilor Bolland, Council Folker-Hill, Committee Member Cox, Committee Member Hockley, Committee Member Lloyd, Committee Member McDougall, Director Phillips, Facility Manager Bennett and Recording Secretary Sansom

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Thursday, January 18th, 2007:

It was moved by Councilor Bolland and Committee Member McDougall that the Agenda be approved with the additions under:

New Business:

c) Acadia Track Committee Letter

Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Thursday, November 16th, 2006:

It was moved by Councilor Folker-Hill and seconded by Councilor Bolland that the minutes of Thursday, November 16th, 2006 be approved as circulated.

No errors or omissions

Motion Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - Thursday, November 16th, 2006:

- a) **Bonavista Estates Update:** Director Phillips reviewed the attached Concept Plans dated January 16, 2007 for the benefit of the Committee Members in attendance.

Director Phillips also gave a review of the Bonavista Concept Working Committee meeting of January 17th, 2007.

Overview of the Working Committee. An update of the status of the Bonavista Citizen's Group was also discussed.

- **Time Lines**
- **Meeting with adjacent landowners**
- **Recommendation from citizen group to PRAC**

b) Ducks Unlimited Update: Director Phillips reviewed a slide show of the latest layout design of the project.

The department continues to work with the County regarding Land Negotiations.

c) KCA New School Update: Director Phillips reported that this was discussed at Town Council on January 7th, 2007. Council directed CAO Boyd to send a letter on behalf of Council to the Deputy Minister of Education. A letter was sent today, January 18th, 2007.

d) Sports Hall of Fame Update: This matter was addressed at the beginning of the meeting as Committee Member Cox had to leave earlier

Committee Member Cox brought in and disturbed a copy of the preliminary work (attached) for review by the Committee Members.

Committee Member Cox will continue to gather more vital information for the next Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting.

Committee Member Cox left the PRAC Meeting at 7:18 p.m. to attend another meeting.

e) New Library Update: Director Phillips reported that he has been attending the meetings of the Society and now they are working on their Charitable Status.

Members of the Society will be asked to attend workshops on Fundraising Strategies along with any other workshops that would be beneficial to Society Members.

A letter of support was sent off to the Friends of the Kentville Library. Their request for funding will have to be resubmitted for budgetary purposes.

- f) **CP Lands – Cornwallis River Update:**
 Director Phillips reported this matter will be discussed further at our up and coming Strategy Session on February 5th, 2007.

KAYA – Committee Report:

The Kentville Area & Youth Association will be meeting next week on February 24th, 2007. The Girls On the Go is still active. There is a Boys On the Go, their funding is expiring and they will be looking for further funding in order to continue on with the program.

Councilor Folker-Hill reported that the Boys On the Go have applied for funding through the Community Health Board.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Phillips reviewed his attached Director's Report for January 2007.

Highlights include:

- Arena Operations
- 2007 Kentville Home Show
- Rotary Club – sport and Wellness Needs Assessment
- Outdoor Winter Activities
- Friends of the Library
- Christmas Lighting
- Ducks Unlimited Project
- Bonavista Parkland
- KCDC
- Winter Programs at KCA
- Meetings and Events

There will also be the potential for a NS Female Hockey Association Province wide 3-day Tournament taking place.

INCOME STATEMENTS – For the Month Ended December 31st, 2006:

Director Phillips reviewed the attached Income Statements for the benefit of the committee. The department is within budget for this time of the year.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) **KCDC Community-In-Bloom – Winter Lights:** Director Phillips reported that we will be entering the Communities In-Bloom/ Winter Lights Program this year.

Director Phillips is seeking two (2) volunteers from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee to sit on a Reception Committee for the Communities In Bloom Program. If there anyone interested in sitting on the Reception Committee please contact Director Phillips.

Erin Mason is also working on Banners for the department which will be placed on the poles around Town.

- b) **Apple Blossom – Opening Ceremonies, Thursday, May 31st, 2007:** The Committee was informed the 75th Apple Blossom Festival Ceremonies will be hosted by the Town of Kentville this year. The location for the venue is the Kentville Volunteer Fire Department Hall. Entertainment and finger food will be part of the Opening Ceremonies. Cost is \$12.00 a person and the event time is from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- c) **Acadia Track Committee:** Acadia is looking to upgrading the Raymond Field by putting in new artificial turf to replace the natural turf that is presently there along with upgrading the track, lighting and bleachers.

The committee as a whole agreed to direct Staff to send a letter of endorsement back to the Acadia Track Committee and secondly, that a second letter be sent asking the Acadia Track Committee how much usage time would be put aside for the Town of Kentville to utilize for activities if upgrading goes ahead.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) **Floyd Peterson – Email Dated 10/04/2006:** Chairman Pearl read the attached correspondence for the benefit of Committee Members in attendance.

It was moved by Councilor Bolland and seconded by Councilor Folker-Hill that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee move for a motion to receive Floyd Peterson email dated 10/04/2006.

MOTION CARRIED.

b) Floyd Peterson – Letter and Attachment:

Chairman Pearl read for the record the letter and attached correspondence dated January 18, 2007 which was delivered by hand after 2:00 p.m. on January 18th, 2007

It was moved by Committee Member McDougall and seconded by Councilor Bolland that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee move for the motion to received correspondence from Floyd Peterson dated January 18th, 2007.

Councilor Folker-Hill suggested that we require a clear definition of what a Play Park, a Pocket Park and a Green Areas are.

c) Leona Grant – Valley Senior Games:

Chairman Pearl read a correspondence from Leona Grant dated December 11th, 2006.

The Board of Directors of the Valley Senior Games is asking for our assistance with funding for the Senior Games.

Councilor Folker-Hill asked for the following:

- List of Board of Directors
- Are there participants from our area who participate with the Valley Senior Games

It was moved by Councilor Folker-Hill and seconded by Committee Member McDougall that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommends to Town Council that Council financially support the Valley Senior Games to be held in the District of Clare in June 2007 monetary fee from \$100.00 to \$500.00.

MOTION CARRIED.

To go to Council Advisory Committee on January 29th, 2007.

NEXT MEETING:

The Committee agreed to have the next meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee on Thursday, March 22nd, 2007 due to March Break Week.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

It was moved by Councilor Folker-Hill that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee moves for adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Chairman Councilor Pearl

Recording Secretary Sansom