

**Durham Recreation Advisory Committee**

**November 24, 2016**

**Durham Community Centre**

**Present:** Kristi Acres, Branda Kobe, Denise Grove, Diane Ernest, Robin Brown, Chad Brown, Randy Murray (staff) Rob Thompson

**Regrets:** Jackie Cachia

**Call to Order:** By Rob Thompson at 7:30pm

**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:** None

**Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting:** Moved by Diane, seconded by Branda THAT the minutes of the previous meeting held on be approved. CARRIED

**Business Arising from Minutes:** Tracy has been officially removed from the committee and Robin Brown has been added to the committee from the sub-committee.

**Delegations:** Chad Brown from Diamond Project Committee

- Chad met with the in-field diamond guy Blair from Marco and discussed the conditions of the diamond and he provided some quotes
- He gave some recommendations; lip between in-field and grass should be addressed especially on B diamond; strongly recommends education before putting money out; lay the ground work; training is important for the maintenance; training course costs \$1000.00 he would come up for the day but other centres could be invited to attend to help offset the cost; if we host the training it would be our own diamonds that we would work on; equipment would need to be rented for the course
- The intent is to do the fundraising and apply for grants to cover the costs for improvements and enhancements

- The committee believes that lighting is the biggest need for the diamonds but there has also been a request put in for the tennis courts
- Randy came in under budget so hopefully the \$17,000 will be approved; water tank for the back of the drag was included in that
- We need to work together on these improvements and enhancements; there is a meeting in the early spring that Randy will be invited to so that he is a part of the process
- Randy is attending a meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup> in Milverton and he will mention the possibility of us holding a training session to gauge interest; the Diamond Project Committee will prepare a flyer for Randy to take with him or check with Blair to see if he already has something that could be used
- The goal is for the Playground installation to take place by the end of May or beginning of June

**Approval of Vouchers:** Moved by Diana, seconded by Denise THAT vouchers V20-V21 be approved. CARRIED

**Review of Fundraising:**

- Shopping Expo is on November 26, 2016; 27 tables with 25 vendors; Rob put the signs out; flyers were posted at businesses
- West Grey Family Christmas from 1:00-4:00 on December 11<sup>th</sup>; 53 kids registered by the deadline of November 13<sup>th</sup>; hand delivered letters for sponsorship with no response so we will be covering the costs
- Easter Bunny suit has been sold to the Hanover Rotary club for \$100.00

**Correspondence:** None to Report

**Committee Reports:** Nothing further to Report

**New Business:**

- Application came forward for Derek Matheson to have his hockey picture hung in the arena; Randy has provided the specs for the photo; presented

to the Advisory Committee and the vote was unanimous in favour of approving the request

**Other Business:**

- Diana is stepping down from the Committee with this being her final meeting
- We will skip the December meeting and reconvene in January
- Thought is to try to get someone from the Tennis Court committee to come on board

**Manager's Report:**

- Reviewed and discussed. See attached.

**Next Meeting:** January 19, 2016

**Adjournment:** By Rob Thompson at 8:53pm



**Durham Recreation Facilities Manager Report  
Nov. 24 2016**

**Rentals:**

Oct: Ice Time 152.25 hours.

Hall: 11- 1- Wedding Reception

2- Stag & Doe

3- T cat Blue Line

Beginners Referees Clinic

NextEra Public Meeting

Durham Agricultural Society 4-h Awards banquet N/C

Bruce Grey Family Services banquet

**Town Hall Rentals:**

Oct.: 32 paid rentals

8- At no charge Childers programs Sparks and girl guides.

5 - To Durham Seniors group that pays a flat rate per year.

**Arena:**

- Brine pump motor is now back in operation.
- Had issue with brakes this month with the Ice Resurfacer. Had replaced the brake booster on the machine.
- We have installed new sign rental on the rink boards for Food Land last week.
- West Grey Minor has Bantam Rep tournament Sat. Nov. 26 with eight teams.
- Tim Hortons has sponsored 10 hour for their free holiday skate starting Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 1:30 pm Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 to 8:30 pm and Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to 1:30 pm. Eastlink has sponsored free skate for Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8pm.
- Tennis courts are closed up for the season nets were taken down and sun screens also were taken down and stored here at the arena.
  
- The ball diamond expenditure was increased by 500.00 for total \$ 4500.00 to pouches 50 gal water tanks for the drag and a Diamond Rakes and couple of other tools.
  
- I receive a quote from John Rydall to cleanup and repair the bricks at the Durham Town Hall for \$ 2000.00. This will not be a capital item now I added \$ 3000.00 to the building maintenance expenditure.
  
- New Heights Building gave me quote to replace the siding at south end of the arena for \$10520.00 I had to increase this part of the capital budget by \$ 2500.00. They recommend removing the existing steel.