



Normanby Recreation Advisory Committee

February 28, 2018 – 7:30 pm

Normanby Community Centre, Meeting Room

PRESENT: Mary Lou Pfeffer, Jess Farquharson, Sherry Pfeffer, Dave Forester, Aaron Culliton (Chairperson), Carol Lawrence (Councillor), Tom Culliton (Staff)

REGRETS: Joyce Nuhn, Janice Norley, Carol Leibold

1. Welcome and call to order

Aaron Culliton (chairperson) called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.

2. Any Pecuniary Interest – None

3. Adoption of Previous Minutes

The minutes were presented to the members present.

Moved by Jess Farquharson, seconded by Sherry Pfeffer THAT the minutes of the January 31, 2018 meeting be adopted as presented. Carried. #2018 - 08

4. Delegations – None

5. Unfinished Business from the Previous Minutes

- **Snow Volleyball Tournament Report** – Jess circulated a written overview to all members. The results indicated a successful tournament with Expenses-\$1586.39, Revenues-\$4,704.88 leaving a net profit of \$3118.49 for our fundraising account.
- Some highlights included that -our participants were younger, -crokinole boards provided a great diversion while waiting to play, -perhaps 3 nets to speed up the games to be completed at an earlier time, -perhaps ask people to bring chairs rather than use straw bales – check to order more alcohol that ran out and avoid those which did not sell well.
- Aaron suggested that we create a trophy on which we list all of the winning teams to date
- **Ayton Ball Park Bleachers Restoration** – Nothing to date. Tom and Aaron will bring plans at the next meeting. We hope to have these new bleachers in place by May.
- **Town Signs' Lighting – SOLAR LIGHTS** – Tom encouraged the members to check out the sample light set over the north Ayton sign as the lights do not fully light up “AYTON” and therefore are not a worthwhile purchase.

Moved by Dave Foerster, seconded by Sherry Pfeffer THAT the Committee does not purchase the 3 solar lights. Carried. #2018 - 09

- **Introduction to Baseball** – Dave commented that this program will run 3 weeks in June and about 4 weeks in July.
- We are hoping to hold registration at the Carnival, in early June.
- Dave will get a letter ready to send through the school in April with pertinent information, for all elementary-aged children.

- We are considering offering a variety of sports including basketball, soccer, baseball, ball hockey, soccer baseball etc. for which the determining factors will be access to equipment, a location to play and possible leaders. More information will be presented at the next meeting.
- A possible name could be “**Normanby Youth Summer Sports Program**”.
- **Arena Hall, Kitchen and Front Entrance Flooring to Date-**
- -Tom explained that he requires approval from West Grey Council to proceed with obtaining quotes for this project. He is planning request this approval on Monday, March 5, at the next council meeting.
- \$50,000 set aside for this project in reserve.
- June or July of this year is the target date for completion.
- There is a possibility for setting a design on the dance floor.
- Tom will have these quotes for the next meeting.

6. VOUCHERS, FUNDRAISING AND MONTHLY RENTAL REPORTS TO DATE – Jan. 31st to Feb. 28/18

Moved by Jess Farquharson and seconded by Dave Foerster THAT voucher #25, 2017 and vouchers #02 and # 03, 2018 be accepted as presented. Carried. #2018 - 10

- We have \$31,710.51 in our fundraising account. \$10,000 of that will be directed to the bleachers project.
- Tom reported that the number of people attending Saturday evening skating has continued to diminish due to the enforcement of the rules, in particular no strollers and no people on ice with boots.
- A suggestion was made to update the skating music played on Saturday nights. Dave Foerster will check to see if music can be played from a phone thus creating different selections for each evening.
- The newly installed water fountain and bottle filler has been installed and is working very well.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- The Neustadt minutes (Feb. 13 – 2018) and Durham minutes (Feb. 22 – 2018) were distributed.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mary Lou reported that the Seniors would enjoy being invited to play crokinole next year at the Snow Volleyball tournament.
- Mary Lou mentioned that she would be interested in enlisting the help of interested people to begin work on the next history book for Normanby. Members felt that this committee was not appropriate to begin such an activity. Mention was made to consider an electronic version.
- An e-mail was sent by Mary Lou to the Parks Department to inquire about future plans for the main street of Ayton, bridge, Centennial Hall and Arena concerning potential flowers for 2018. Tom asked for direction from the Parks Department concerning the flower planting in the beds at the arena. Information will be shared at the next meeting.

- Creating a service group in Ayton by interested people was discussed. More review, information and discussion needed as the best method in forming such a group.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- **Ayton Ball Park Playground** – Tom shared a hand drawn diagram outlining the present dimensions of the playground at the Centennial Hall. We had several options such as extending the south fence 18 feet (toward the picnic shelter) to make the playground area larger which would still leave enough space for a vehicle to carry items to the snack booth and give more space for activities. This could cost approximately \$8000. We have \$15,000 set aside now for improvements. The “Play Power” catalogue of playground equipment uses space to determine where their equipment can be set. We should have enough money to purchase some swings (2 regular and 2 younger children’s). The old slide (which was erected 35 years ago) will be removed for the swing set. There may be some grant money if we insert a handicapped swing. Further discussion will happen at our next meeting.
- **Family Ball Tournament** – Tom will begin to draw up a list of required items needed to be completed for the Family Ball Tournament in August. Jess has the diagram of the grounds from the Volleyball tournament which she will update for the ball tournament’s liquor permit application. She will also reword the letter and maps for the municipality, fire and health unit. Lantz’s meat will be there again saving this committee much work. A letter to Mark Turner (for the liquor permit) will be sent shortly. There may be no time to hold any activities for children during the ball tournament. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

10. RECREATION OFFICER’S REPORT

- Tom reported that the ice will be out by March 24. A full compliment of Hockey schools is again signed up for the summer.
- 6 stag and does are booked to date.
- Discussion followed on perhaps raising rates for bar tenders who work on long weekends.
- A power skating school is also booked.
- Ice rentals are being raised to \$163 per hour in the fall.
- There is a Tyke tournament on March 17’

The next meeting is March 28, 2018 in the Normanby Arena Meeting Room.

Moved by Jess Farquharson and seconded by Sherry Pfeffer THAT we adjourn at 8:54 p.m.

Carried.

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DAVE FORESTER