

Normanby Recreation Advisory Committee

Minutes of the December 20th, 2017

The meeting was preceded with a meal at Trixie's Saloon at 6:00 p.m. enjoyed by members and spouses invited.

PRESENT: Aaron Culliton, Dave Foerster, Mary Lou Pfeffer, Janice Norley, Sherry Pfeffer, Jess Farquharson, Carol Leibold, Joyce Nuhn, Carol Lawrence (council rep), Tom Culliton (staff)

REGRETS: None

1. **WELCOME AND GREETINGS** to all members was made by Chairperson Aaron Culliton at 7:35 p.m.
2. **PECUNIARY INTERESTS:** None declared.
3. The minutes of the November meeting were distributed. Janice Norley motioned "**that the minutes of the November 28 meeting be adopted as presented**". Seconded by Carol Leibold. Carried.

4. **DELEGATIONS:** Special guest Mayor Eccles
5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES**

A) ELVIS TRIBUTE

Janice Norley, Chairperson, reported that about 200 people attended the show. She suggested that we miss a show in 2018 and hold the next tribute in the spring of 2019. Lisa donated her bar tending fees back to the group. Janice distributed a hard copy of expenses and receipts for that evening. We had a loss that will be up-dated at the next meeting. It was decided to give Lisa a New Year's Eve ticket for all of her work.

B) SPONSORSHIP LETTERS

Joyce Nuhn reported that the following businesses have responded to our request to donate or help off-set the cost of our new lights: AC/DC Masonry, Germania Mutual Insurance, Domm's Construction and Culbert Insurance. Our cost to date: \$9,637.84. The thank-you cards (to be displayed at each business) are not ready yet. A plaque on which all of the contributing businesses names will be place, will be hung in the board room at the arena. Tom suggested that Dave Waechter in Neustadt could make this plaque. There about 15 letters distributed to local businesses. We are waiting on more responses.

C) NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Joyce distributed a sheet containing all of the current expenses incurred for the dance on December 31. A sign-up sheet was distributed for helpers for various tasks. No bar ticket sales just before midnight and at midnight. Bar tickets will only be sold 2 at a time after midnight till 2 p.m. The alcohol will be delivered on the 30th to the hall. Only one bartender to date has be secured. Janice and Jess will look into getting party hats and horns and getting possible materials for a photo booth selfies. Sherry Pfeffer has arranged for a free bus from Hanover through Neustadt at 9:30 p.m. from Food Basic parking lot to the hall in Ayton with pick-up at 1:45 p.m. back to Hanover. A jar for donation will be placed in a visible place. Clean-up will happen directly after the dance 2 a.m. The décor will be picked on Monday at the arena.

D) ONTARIO FARMERS 150 CELEBRATORY SIGNS

No news to date has been received.

E) LIGHTING OF THE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE REVIEW

A receipt type notice was received by Tom for the \$200 for payment purposes for the insurance for Mr. Mighton's team of horses as well a notice about the participation of Sharon Machina's group so that the treasurer can issue a donation of \$30 to them. Tom required these for the West Grey treasurer's verification to pay these expenditures. Mary Lou motioned **"that the Queen's Bush Chorus and Holstein Belles receive a donation of \$30 from this committee for their combined participation on Nov. 19"**. Seconded by Janice Norley. Carried.

F) AYTON BLEACHERS

Nothing to date has been brought forward.

6) NEW BUSINESS

A) SNOW VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

The Second Annual Tournament has been scheduled for Family Day Week-end, Saturday, February 17^h. Jess and Sherry, along with Tom, will get a resolution ready for Council in an effort to get the outside playing area licensed. Tom will provide a map of the area for the girls. This tournament will begin at 10:00 a.m. instead of 1 p.m. There will be no family dance or activities for kids. 11 teams were entered. Social media is the choice for advertising. This will mean that we will be able to offer noon and evening food. Details will be discussed at our January meeting. All activities are at the Centennial Hall.

A reminder was given to check the bottom of each month's agenda for the remaining meetings for 2018.

7) COMMITTEE REPORTS

On a motion by Mary Lou Pfeffer **"that we donate \$250 to the Ayton Lioness Club for all of their assistance (Snow Volleyball, Fashion Show and Lighting of the Village Christmas Tree) during our Canada 150 activities"**, seconded by Sherry Pfeffer. Carried.

Dave asked for some direction to take in regards to a possible re-introduction of baseball next spring. The committee heard good reports about last summer's activities. Suggestions included that some sport activity would be good. Perhaps several games such as soccer, baseball, basketball for 6 weeks could be covered. Many parents and grandparents enjoyed sitting and visiting while the children played. Dave commented that children who wish to play organized ball will have to travel to other areas such as Mount Forest or Mildmay, soccer in Neustadt. Pickup ball is not advisable as there are not enough children to make a complete team.

Joyce again spoke about listing local activities for 2018 on a rack to be distributed in stores, arenas and tourist booths instead of using newspaper advertising. A suggestion was made to include events sponsored by other Normany groups. Even perhaps some West Grey events. We will try to assemble this rack by February 2018. We may try another Trivia Night at Trixie's on March 23.

8. VOUCHERS

Vouchers 21 and 22 were presented. Carol Leibold made a motion **"to accept vouchers 21 and 22 as presented."** Janice Norley seconded that motion. Carried.

9) CORRESPONDENCE

10) MONTHLY RENTAL REPORT- NOVEMBER 29 – DECEMBER 20

Tom distributed the monthly rental report to the members.

11) RECREATION OFFICER'S REPORT

All 7 skating days and evenings during the holidays have been secured: T and P Logistics, Filsinger's Organic Orchard, Trixie's Saloon, Ayton Firemen's Association, Fisher Poultry Farm, Germania Mutual Insurance and Maisex Seeds (Trevor Pfeffer). Tom also reported that we may be receiving a \$40 000 grant (applied for by the former CEO)- \$25,000 for insulating and \$15,000 for playground. The next meeting is January 31 at 7:30 p.m. at the arena in the board room.

Janice made a motion to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. Carried

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