

MINUTES OF RECREATION COMMITTEE
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
October 5, 2016 – 4:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Councilor Marty Pepin, Chair
 Councilor Jessica Paradis
 Councilor Nancie Cameron

Administration/Staff Present: Bob Belmore, City Manager
 Shanna B. Saunders, Dir. Planning & Comm. Dev.
 Kristen Ducharme, Recreation Supervisor

Councilor Pepin called the meeting to order at 4:07 pm.

APPROVAL PAST MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Councilor Cameron, seconded by Councilor Paradis to approve the June 29, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion carried, 3-0.

RECREATION PROGRAMS & PROJECT UPDATES

Recreation Supervisor Ducharme gave an update on recreation programs and projects. Stated that Pee Wee Soccer is full swing with only two sessions left. Stated that this year's program has 45 participants and some volunteer coaches. Stated that registration has begun for Youth Basketball and reviewed the program. Stated that it is for children in grades 1-6 and they are seeking volunteer coaches for Saturday mornings. Stated that the Senior Picnic is scheduled for 10/13/2016 with food, activities and prizes. Stated that the Trick or Treat Parade through City Hall will be on 10/31/2016 and staff are invited to dress up in appropriate costumes and hand out candy. Stated that regarding Mast Point Dam, Public Works has ordered the materials and Wayne McKay is the contractor constructing the boat launch. Stated that staff is working on the plans for Millennium Park improvements. Stated that a few weeks ago there was a weather event where there were a lot of trees that fell and some damage. Stated that one of the parks had to be temporarily closed for clean up. Stated that the fifth camera is currently being installed at Noble Pines.

Councilor Paradis asked how the participation numbers are looking so far for Youth Basketball.

RS Ducharme stated that there are currently 45 children registered but that she usually gets up to 130. Stated that last year they didn't have enough participants for the older girls team but that it should be all set this year. Stated that the goal is to build the program back up and that the numbers are growing.

MISCELLANEOUS

Councilor Pepin stated that the Conservation Commission hosted a walking tour of Mast Point Dam with a guest speaker and that he found it very interesting. Stated that the City cleared out a large section of vegetation for better visibility but that he is noticing that it is already starting to grow back in. Suggested having a plan for future maintenance of that area because it won't take long to grow back up.

CM Belmore asked if there would be a wetlands permit issue.

Director Saunders stated that she would have to look into that.

CM Belmore stated that the new flag pole for Noble Pines has come in and the foundation has been poured.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilor Paradis, seconded by Councilor Cameron to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 3-0. Meeting adjourned 4:20 pm.