

Emo Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 6, 2023

Meeting started at 6:32 p.m.

Present: Councillor Phil Whatley, Arena/Parks Manager Jamie Booth, Crystal Gray Interim CAO/Clerk Treasurer, Administrative Representative; Maria Fuhrer, Ken Brown, Deb DeGroot, Jason Smith.

Absent: John LaPlante

Resolutions:

23-1 **Fuhrer – DeGroot:** That we hereby approve the agenda for Monday, March 6, 2023, Regular Emo Recreational Committee meeting.

CARRIED

23-2 **DeGroot – Fuhrer:** That we hereby approve the Emo Recreational Committee February 6, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED

23-3 **Brown – DeGroot:** That we hereby approve the Emo Recreational Committee to recommend to Council to purchase infield material for both ball diamonds at the Emo Sports Field. This is to be included as part of the 2023 Capital Project Budget with the funds to come out of the Sports Field Reserves.

CARRIED

23-4 **Brown – DeGroot:** That we hereby adjourn to meet again on Monday, April 3, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

CARRIED

The Committee discussed the following:

- a) Family Day Event
 - Deb believed it went well.
 - 101 hotdogs & pops given out.
 - 10-15 crafts completed.
 - Good turnout
 - Enforce family skate hour – have signage.

- Is there a policy about helmets for public skating – Jamie and Jason not aware of one.
 - Check with Arena Board to see if they want to have a helmet policy for public skating.
- b) Notice of Appointment to Rec Committee
- c) Update provided – NOHFC Community Enhancement Program – Outdoor Facility
- d) Senior Grant
- e) Youth soccer – Maria to setup registration, not going with t-shirts. Soccer to start May 1.
- f) Youth baseball – Ken is talking to Leanne at LaVallee about teams from each municipality. Ken is interested in getting this arranged. Have baseball start at ages 5 or 6 to 11 years old. Need volunteers for this. Need to check what equipment Rec has. Spring sign-up. Baseball to coincide with Devlin's.
- g) Spring Fever Days – April 13-15 – Popcorn, slushies, bouncy castles.
- Need letter to request donations for Spring Fever Days from the town.
 - What kind of items are we having, what kind of donations we are looking for.
 - Request to go to Council to cover Spring Fever Days by Phil max \$1500 budget with Recreation to seek donations to cover most of the event and Council to cover the remainder.
- h) Tennis courts/pickle ball/basketball
- Basketball part of the outdoor multi-use facility
 - Tennis Courts/Pickle Ball – already resurfaced. Last quote for fencing, lines and nets was \$110,000.
 - Look into grants this winter to do for 2024 season.
- Sports Field resolution to get infield materials /cleanup – When dried-up can-do cleanup and check the building for equipment.
- i) Curling
- j) Recreation Director – to be an item in future years
- k) Walking trail/ski trail – concern about safety of walkers due to darkness, build a track around the sports field, have it as part of a ski trail. Original idea for walking trail not feasible currently due to needing a manufactured bridge to go over the creek, would need access to private property to get to the sports field. Revisit once the ground dries up.
- l) July 1st events – No activities that Recreation will hold. Will volunteer to help.
- m) Snowshoes – information on the municipality loans out equipment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.