



Town of Paradise

Recreation and Community Services Committee Meeting

Boardroom Meeting

January 15, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

Council Present: Glen Carew, Councillor, Chairperson
Larry Vaters, Councillor, Chairperson
Dan Bobbett, Mayor, Ex-Officio
Deputy Mayor Street, Councillor (*Guest*)

Staff Present: Tina Auchinleck Ryan, Director of Recreation and Community Services
Tara Lynch, Recreation Operations Manager
Lorie Rumsey, Recreation Manager
Dawn Doody, Administrative Assistant

1. Safety Moment

Councillor Carew shared a safety moment.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented.

3. Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes were approved as presented.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

a. Synthetic Ice

Committee were advised that a group will be coming in as a delegation at our next meeting to discuss synthetic ice.

b. Elgin Park

Staff are working with Communications on the rollout of the Elgin Park report. An update is anticipated to be released this week. Committee requested that the report be posted to the Towns website.

5. New/Other Business

a. Accessibility Plan

Staff presented the Draft Accessibility Plan. The Committee discussed and suggested some changes. Staff will revise and bring back to next Committee for review.

b. Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

Committee agreed to accept the changes to the Terms of Reference for the Diversity Committee and to proceed with a name change for the committee to be Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility Advisory Committee.

c. International Time Capsule

Committee discussed a request that was received from the International Time Capsule Society. This would work like a public library. Committee recommend finding out additional details and if there is a commitment involved.

d. eBike Rental Kiosk

Committee discussed a request that was received by Pedego - eBikes. Other municipalities are currently operating a pilot project, the only requirement is a kiosk location where they could operate. Committee would like to have Pedego attend an upcoming meeting so more information can be obtained.

e. Atlantic Mayors Congress Info

Committee discussed the information provided from the Atlantic Mayors Congress and advised how it is important to look for ways to improve our community.

f. Recreation Calendar – January 2024

The January recreation calendar was provided for information purposes.

g. Youth Advisory Committee – Terms of Reference

Committee reviewed and discussed the Terms of Reference for the Youth Advisory Committee. Committee approved with the Conflict-of-Interest section removed.

h. Menorah

Committee discussed correspondence that was received from a resident.

i. New Years Eve Fireworks

Committee recommend further discussion on the total costs associated with the New Years Eve Fireworks.

j. YMCA Winter Session Swim Lessons

Committee were provided an update on the Winter Swimming Lessons.

k. Fitness Centre Policy Revision

Committee were given an overview of the revised Fitness Centre Policy and recommend proceeding to better align with current practices and to include a section for youth.

l. Community Boards – Paradise Double Ice Complex & RPYCC

There was discussion on a digital board, this is not within this year's budget. In the interim, staff will obtain costs of a corkboard display with enclosure.

m. Communities in Bloom

Committee discussed the Communities in Bloom initiative. It was agreed that staff will gather additional information and bring back to Committee for future discussion.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm and proceeded to a privileged meeting.