

Agenda

Parks and Recreation Committee

Date: October 27 2021

Time: 6:00pm Zoom

Attendees:

Mayor: Chair	Sandie MacDonald
CAO:	Colleen Healey- Dowdall
Councillor:	Ron Henderson
Member:	Brandy Rafeek
Member:	Jim Hunter
Parks and Recreation Manager:	Jason Coleman
Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant:	Baileigh White

Absentees:

Member:	Willy Parkinson
Member:	Eric Villanni

I. Opening of Meeting (Orientation)

Covid restrictions easing, to be touched on later, new capacity limits etc.

Attached draft budget for 2022

Ivy Diamond requests

Vacant Park land to be discussed

Essa P & R staff actually following all protocols, which is not necessarily the case in other municipalities, this sends mixed messages to patrons and ultimately results in conflict for staff.

Hiring staff (typically students) aren't seeing to much kick back. Students are there as support staff for check in. By-law and OPP available as additional support if required.

II. Meeting Called to Order by the Mayor/Chairperson Sandie MacDonald and the minutes of the March 17th accepted and reviewed.

Moved by Brandy Rafeek **Second by** Jim Hunter

III. Ivy Baseball Diamond Request/ Concerns

Ivy Baseball requested their field improvement requests be passed to Council. Typically, with this league the Township provides the material, and the league performs the maintenance.

One request brought forward was to remove limbs of a tree. After speaking with a horticulturist, we have determined that removing the limbs would do too much damage to the tree.

Remaining requested are being proposed in 2022 budget

IV. Olive Lee Park Development Inquiry

Some residents looking to see a dog park in that location other regular park land/ green space.

Looking to see what the community is most in need of.

Next Parks and Recreation Committee: TBD 6:00pm Zoom.

Survey to be brought forward with three options that residents can vote on.
Official Presentation of park land coming soon

v. 2022 Draft Budget

Explanation of items on the list.

vi. Kayak and Canoe Launch complete

Launch is finally done

Installed, tested and removed and now boarded up for safety purposes until next spring.

Small list of deficiencies to be corrected by contractors upcoming

Water already above first step

vii. Update to Covid Protocol

Restrictions on changeroom capacities lifted, can now allow for showers

Restrictions on viewing area/stands lifted, not publicizing but turning away people

Restrictions on hall space/gym space lifted, will most likely see an increase in rentals

viii. Open discussion/ Other business

Neglected Park in Robson Subdivision, off Vernon. Large group of people have made and use a bridge connecting park to trail.

Staff keep removing bridge as it is a liability

Would like to apply for an age friendly grant for this age many of the individuals that use it are elderly.

Need to connect with the property owner on this to continue project

Meeting Adjourned, Moved by Brandy Rafeek Second by Jim Hunter