

**Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee Meeting  
Minutes**

14 Blake St. Heritage Park – Livestream Township YouTube Channel

**Date:** July 4, 2022

**Start Time:** 7:05

**Present:** James Scott, Shelly Foote, Shawn Hughes, Steph Duchesne, Kathy Shaw  
Chris Johnson, Liz Moore, Andrew Barry, Ron Phillips

**Regrets:**

**Absent:**

1. Meeting Called to Order James Scott
2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest: None
3. Acceptance of Agenda: Liz Moore, Shawn Hughes
4. Acceptance of Previous Minutes: Chris Johnson, Andrew Barry All in Favour
5. Business Items from Previous Meeting:
  - I. **Kids Soccer Discussion**
    - Steph to email volunteers to see who is available to help on Party Night
    - Steph will be working on Volunteer Bags to hand out on Saturday.
    - Soccer Games, Parachute brought out for younger kids, Soccer games organized.
    - BBQ will be run by Andrew with Shelly helping – Shelly & James reaching out to get buns organized for event – No dessert or cookies to be served. – BBQ’s available from Fire Department, Public Works and possible Will Bateman if needed.
    - Will to reach out to help secure volunteer ribbons instead of washers (craft)
    - Time to be changed to 11-2
    - Empties drop off will be organized as parents from others townships would like to support
  - II. **Trunk Sale (Sept 10, 2022)**
    - Will to revamp flyer and add Museum information as well as Commanda
    - Charge \$10 to register – Museum is having no charge – we will wait for Museum board meeting to confirm details.
    - If we don’t obtain enough vendors Museum and trunk sale will be combined.
    - Will Bateman to look after registrations – deadline Sept 1, 2022
  - III. **Canada Day**
    - Very positive comments from attendees – 336.20 Raised from popcorn donations.
    - Next year more thought outside the box – Facebook Book – Camps to receive flyers – Is boosting a post in the budget – Should we be using “What’s Happening in Powassan?”
    - A branded tent was inquired about – to give the public a central place to go – it is generally felt that the fire truck is central and convenient
    - Positive idea – Volunteers chatting up the crowd – talking about what is up and coming.
    - Looking for entertainment (Band or DJ) – needs to be booked in January
    - Volunteers need to be slotted into times and more organized so it is fair and not exhausting.

#### **IV. Heritage Day/ Movie Night (Aug 27)**

- Popcorn machine booked --- Home Hardware
- Museum to bring treats—Candy, Cold Drinks, Possible Candy Floss
- Combine stock so we don't have to purchase anything else
- BBQ later in the day for supper asking for fire fighters help

#### **6. New Business**

##### **I. Rink Boards Discussion**

- What is the future plans for the boards – discussion around business advertising to raise funds
- Rough pricing for replacing -- \$148 per panel – 44 panels & 4 half panels
- Consensus is we should hold off and see what grants are available.
- It hasn't been budgeted for this year.
- Base of rink needs to be looked at first.

##### **11. Misc. Notes**

- List of rules needed for the new playground & discussion around will it be closed for the winter
- Restroom needs addressed as an individual was seen relieving themselves on a tree – Porta potty to be looked at as an option
- parking concerns around people parking on the side of the road
- Can we put a poll on Facebook or Survey Monkey to see what people would like to see in the township and from the Rec Committee?
- Adult & Teen dance and option for 2023
- Family Day 2023 – thoughts around Carnival and Community Supper
- Community Supper to be organized for Aug 27<sup>th</sup> 2022 in conjunction with Movie night – dinner from 5-7 and movie at approx. 8:30 – James to organize – Shelly & Chris will have Food Handlers – Volunteers available from Rec Committee – Shelly, Cathy, Steph, James, Shawn and some help from Andrew as he will be assisting at the movie site.
- 3 volunteers needed for setup, 3 kitchen volunteers, fire fighters to help set up on Tuesday night before, 3 servers.
- Line dancing to go on Survey (Shawn to get contact information)

##### **II. Others Ideas**

- Teen Dane – will be looked at for winter 2023
- Community Supper – See above for details
- Adult Line Dancing (2023 – Shawn to get information – put out on survey to residents)
- Fund Raising – playground places to sit (sponsors or donate) – Reach out to community Businesses

- 7. **Next Meeting** Aug 8<sup>th</sup> 7 pm
- 8. **Adjournment** Shawn Hughes, Shelly Foote