

MINUTES

Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee

March 4, 2024

A meeting of the Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee was held on Monday, March 4, 2024 starting at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was held in person at the Township of Nipissing Community Centre, and livestreamed to the Township of Nipissing YouTube Channel.

Present: Kathy Shaw - Chair, Mayor Tom Piper, Councillor Shelly Foote, Andrew Barry, Lisa Chalapenko-Carmody, Margaret Hughes, Terri-Lynn Paynter, Ron Phillips and James Scott

Staff: Will Bateman, Fire Chief, CEMC, Municipal By-law Officer and Kim Turnbull

Guests: Julie Mohoney

Disclosure of pecuniary interest: None.

MOTION NUMBER 2024-08

Moved by: Mayor Tom Piper

Seconded by: Shelly Foote

THAT the Minutes of the February 5, 2024 Recreation Meeting are approved as circulated. **Carried**

Discussion:

- a) Bottle Drive: collected for the month of February 2024
 - Bear Creek Landfill - \$139.80
 - Wolfe Lake Landfill - \$104.20

- b) Family Day Event Wrap-up, February 18, 2024:
 - Powassan Voodoos attended the event to play soccer/hockey with the kids in the community.
 - S'mores and hot chocolate were provided. 2 large pots of hot chocolate made and enjoyed.
 - Thanks to James for providing the firewood, appropriate amount for the event.
 - The fireworks were postponed due to the weather conditions, skating was also cancelled with the ice rink closed for the season.

- c) Teen Dances:
 - Dances will move forward, with a DJ found for the events within the Committee's budget.
 - The next Teen Dance is scheduled for May 10, 2024.

- Marg has volunteered to assist with the event.
- d) Spaghetti Dinner, Wrap-Up March 2, 2024:
- 76 people attended the event with a profit of approximately \$443.24 after expenses.
 - Continue to look at timing for future events: caught with spaghetti not ready at one time with the influx of people.
 - Going forward look at other kitchen utensils to assist with meal prep and serving: longer tongs, larger strainer.
 - This year there were 2 burners instead of 1 for meal prep.
 - Homemade spaghetti sauce and meatballs were well received, continue for next year.
 - This year the desserts were cut back from 2023, continue with the same amount going forward.
 - Powassan Voodoos attended as our guests. Their attendance was well received by community members as they interacted throughout the dinner by signing autographs and posing for pictures.
 - The team has indicated that members of the team that are available in the summer will try and attend our summer community events.
- e) Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt – March 30th, 2024:
- To date 11 participants have registered.
 - Weather dependent if scavenger hunt will be possible.
 - Planning for cookie, egg and Easter bag decorating.
 - Ideas to fill the Easter bags: bubbles, skipping ropes, play-doh, candies.
- f) Soccer Donation
- A donation is available to Committee of various size nets, paints and line markings.
 - A recommendation to move forward to investigate to accept the donation.
- g) Board & Card Game Event
- Discussion about how the event will run.
 - Choose one or the other, board games or cards.
 - Decided to move forward with a card event.
 - Investigate getting used card decks from the Casino.
 - Pre-registration required, prepare score sheets.
 - Euchre tournament or cribbage or options for card games.
 - James and Kathy to lead the afternoon event.
- h) Foot Care Clinic
- Business has approached the Committee to see if there is an interest.
 - Considerations with liability, insurance and WSIB.
 - Could it be partnered with a blood pressure clinic.

- Request for further information to be brought back to the Committee.
- i) Stand up Classes
 - Request to extend the classes for 12 weeks beginning April 1st, 2024, classes offered twice a week.
 - Feedback from the Committee: worthwhile program, parking lot is busy during the programming, new participants joining each week.

Commanda Community Update:

Ron provided an update on events:

- Mini-mart February 18th – 15 exhibitors and vendors, there was a snow storm the day of the event. The attendance was not what they anticipated.
- Spring Dance – April 20th – there will be live music for the dance.
- Inquire regarding the Groovy Grandma’s event at the Commanda Community Centre - Ron to investigate and provide further details.

MOTION NUMBER 2024-09

Moved by: Mayor Tom Piper

Seconded by: James Scott

That the Meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:56 p.m. Next Meeting to be held April 15, 2024 **Carried**

Chairperson:

Secretary:

Minutes prepared as per Section 228 (1)(a) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25.

Clerk to record, without note or comment, all resolutions, decisions and other proceedings of the council.

Minutes to be approved by the Board at the next scheduled Board Meeting.