

MINUTES

Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee
March 2, 2026

A meeting of the Township of Nipissing Recreation Committee was held on Monday, March 2, 2026 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: Calista Bateman Chair, Councillor Shelly Foote, Councillor Lisa Chalapenko, Tom Piper, Julie Mahoney, Jennifer Bonnell, Margaret Hughes, Kathy Shaw and Kirsty Vandermeulen.

Staff: Will Bateman, Fire Chief, CEMC, Municipal By-law Officer and Kristin Linklater, Deputy Clerk – Administrative Assistant, Secretary.

Disclosure of pecuniary interest: None.

MOTION NUMBER 2026-10

Moved by: Lisa Chalapenko

Seconded by: Julie Mahoney

THAT the Minutes of the February 2, 2026 Recreation Committee Meeting are approved as circulated. **Carried.**

Bottle Drive Revenue - \$226.80 Bearcreek Landfill, \$138.00 in cash donations collected at Foote's General Store. Wolfe Lake Landfill collection had to be rescheduled and there is no date as of yet.

Chair Yoga – Donation Box has been established at the Community Centre, Donations of \$195.00 were collected. April 20th is the last Yoga day of this session.

MOTION NUMBER 2026-11

Moved by: Shelly Foote

Seconded by: Julie Mahoney

THAT we formally determine and designate the specific use of the monetary donations allocated from Chair Yoga with the extension of (2) classes and splitting the difference and supporting the Powassan & Callander Food Banks. **Carried**

Easter Event – April 4th, 2026 from 12:00-2:00 p.m., Ages 12 year of age and under. This year's event will be moved to the Community Centre to accommodate any weather. Egg decorating, cookie decorating, bat/bird houses, crafts and games to be provided. Email or call Township Office to register.

Trivia – March 21st, 2026 starting at 7:00 p.m., \$20.00 per team, register by emailing or calling the Township Office. DJ is booked for the event and the canteen is available.

Soccer – May 7th – June 25th from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., registration is now open with a registration cut off date of April 15th 2026. Ages 4-12, with the end of season BBQ June 25th with Hot Dogs, Chips, Water and Freezes provided. There will be no rain dates this year.

Mother's Day Craft – May 9th 2026, Rescheduled to a different date. Date to be determined, with the possibility of the event being cancelled.

Corn Hole – on average between 8-18 players, the event was well received. The original time of 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. was set and it was determined that 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. would work better. Possibility of extension of event to be brought forward in the future as they would like to move the event outside in the warmer weather months.

Cards – Well received, lots of interest on average 8-12 in attendance. Would like to extend the Cards Event until the end of March 2026.

MOTION NUMBER 2025-12

Moved by: Julie Mahoney

Seconded by: Lisa Chalapenko

THAT the Winter Cards Program, held on Tuesdays from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., be extended through the end of March 2026. **Carried.**

Family Skate – Approximately 180 in attendance, \$1,700.00 budget and \$1,623.22 used for the event. Ran out of Hot Chocolate, with a couple bags of marshmallows left over, unopened they will be used at Easter Event. Shout out to the Township Rink Maintenance Staff, the Rink was in wonderful condition.

Spaghetti Dinner – 89 Adults & 8 Children in attendance for a total revenue of \$1,403.25. there was a donation of \$4.25 included in that total. Event was well received. Next year, we will adjust the time for 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. to 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., and increase the meat balls from 3 to 4 cases as we were running short towards the end and increase the garlic bread. Flyers to be given to the outfitters next year.

MOTION NUMBER 2025-13

Moved by: Tom Piper

Seconded by: Shelly Foote

That the Meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:09 p.m. Next Meeting to be held May 4, 2026. **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.