

**Minutes - RECREATION COMMITTEE**



**MEETING DATE:** August 28, 2008  
**LOCATION:** BVCC  
**PREPARED BY:** JODY HODGKINSON,  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT  
RECREATION

**A. Call to Order**

- Chair John Metras called the meeting to order with the following in attendance; Shawn Everitt, Bob Gamble, Terry Green, Cam Kennedy, Jay Kivell, Ryan Gibbons, Donna Atkinson, Suzanne Ferri, Aaron McMullen, Wayne Holly, Alan Chesworth and Jody Hodgkinson.

- Approval of Agenda

**Moved by: Jay Kivell                      Seconded by: Donna Atkinson**

THAT the Agenda of September 25, 2008 be approved as circulated and amended, including any items added to the Agenda, Carried.

- Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – None at this time
- Previous Minutes

**Moved by: Jay Kivell                      Seconded by: Alan Chesworth**

Revision of June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 minutes to note that Alan Chesworth was not in attendance at that meeting.

THAT the Minutes of August 28, 2008 be adopted as circulated including any revisions to be made, Carried.

**B. Deputations / Presentations**

None.

**C. Staff Reports**

1. **DOR 08 35 – Bayview Park Parking Plan** - THAT Council receive Staff Report DOR 08 35 “Bayview Park Parking Plan” for information purposes and be advised that the Bayview Park Parking Plan will not be awarded due to costs and lack of submissions.

**Moved By: Jay Kivell                      Seconded By: Cam Kennedy**

2. **DOR 08 36 – Off Leash Parks** – THAT Council receive Staff Report DOR 08 36 “Off Leash Parks” and approve the future use of Town Lands on Peel Street in the Thornbury Area in 2009 and Hamlet Road in the Swiss Meadows area in 2010 for off leash parks; and

THAT Council give staff direction to include park development cost as well as operational cost and revenue generation options in 2009 and 2010 capital and operational budgets proposals.

There was a great deal of discussion on this report. Bob Gamble felt that the Swiss Meadows area is not a good location and he had concerns about costs, by-law enforcement as well as access in winter months. Bob felt strongly that there are other areas that funding could be used. Other members of the committee agreed.

**DOR 08 36 – Off Leash Parks** – THAT no action be taken regarding future use of Town lands as dog parks.

**Moved By: Jay Kivell                      Seconded By: Bob Gamble**

3. **DOR 08 40 Tomahawk Pond Improvements** - THAT Council approve Staff Report DOR 08 40 “Tomahawk Pond Improvements” and authorize staff to take steps outlined by C & M Aquatics Limited to provide sustainable pond conditions and fish stocking practices.

**Moved By: Jay Kivell                      Seconded By: Donna Atkinson**

Jay noted that he would contact the local Anglers Association to possibly assist with costs for stocking and planting trees. Jay also felt that they may help out with any up coming fishing derby's .

4. **DOR 08 41 – Multi Use Feasibility Study Update** - THAT COUNCIL receive Staff Report DOR 08 41 “Multi-use Facility Feasibility Study Update” for information purposes.

**Moved By: Jay Kivell                      Seconded By: Cam Kennedy**

5. **DOR 08 42 – Bike Park Proposal** - THAT Council receive Staff Report DOR 08 42 “Bike Park Proposal” and authorize staff to develop a plan to determine the feasibility as well as determining the most appropriate location for the construction of a bike park.

**Moved By: Alan Chesworth              Seconded By: Bob Gamble**

The committee requested that Shawn contact the individuals requesting the bike park and produce a petition of names before the next recreation committee meeting. This would give the committee a better idea of numbers. Bob Gamble had some concerns about locations for a bike park.

- 6. DOR 08 43 – Lions Park Redevelopment** – THAT Council receive Staff Report DOR 08 43 “Lions Park Redevelopment” for information purposes.

**Moved By: Jay Kivell                      Seconded By: Cam Kennedy**

- 7. DOR 08 44 – Heathcote Land Acquisition** – THAT the Recreation Committee receive report DOR 08 44 “Land Acquisition – Heathcote Parkland and Beaver River Access” for information purposes.

**Moved By: Jay Kivell                      Seconded By: Alan Chesworth**

- 8. DOR 08 45 – F Dock Preapproval** - THAT Council receive Staff Report DOR 08 45 “ F Dock Preapproval” and does hereby grant pre-approval in the 2009 municipal budget process for the replacement of "F" Dock in Thornbury Harbour, as per approved report number HAR.07.38, Harbour Financing Strategy. Cost not to exceed \$140,044.00.

**Moved By: Jay Kivell                      Seconded By: Cam Kennedy**

As Ryan Gibbons was in attendance Ryan spoke to this report. Ryan explained that F dock needs repairs prior to B Dock.

Alan Chesworth mentioned that he has seen other municipalities such as Gore Bay doing extensive harbour work. The committee asked that Ryan contact other municipalities to see where their funding might be coming from.

- 9. DOR 08 47 – Ice Rental Rate Increase** - THAT Council approve Staff Report DOR 08 47 “Ice Rental Rate Increase” to increase the Hourly Ice Rental Rate from \$112.50 tax included to \$117.50 tax included for the 2008/2009 season beginning September 2008 through to April 2009.

**Moved By: Jay Kivell                      Seconded By: Cam Kennedy**

Jay Kivell mentioned that this increase would require a By-law to be completed through the Clerk’s department.

Shawn also informed the committee that he is meeting with Financial Services concerning our overall fees and charges for recreation services.

There was some discussion on Delphi point. Terry Green informed the

committee that we have hired an engineering firm to do a layout for the parking lot. We also have the MTO entrance permit approval. A wildlife, flora and fauna study is to be done by MNR so this part is now in their hands.

#### **D. Correspondence**

1. Roland Gosselin – Dog Park
2. Tom Kennedy – Heathcote Hall
3. BIA – John Bailey – consent to move a tree
4. Collingwood/Thornbury Mens Recreational League – ice time consideration.
5. Marlene Roberts – Dog Park
6. Email from Stephen Keast – Department of Canadian Heritage Funding.
8. Letter from Rob and Jan Perry - bench

Shawn updated the committee on the consent letter from the BIA concerning removing a tree. This will enable the Town to install a barrier free privy in this location.

The committee noted that they would receive the two pieces of correspondence concerning the dog parks for information purposes.

The committee agreed with the decision of Recreation and Financial Services concerning denying ice time for Collingwood/Thornbury Men's Recreational Hockey League.

Shawn also indicated that he is meeting with a representative from Cowan Insurance next week to discuss the ladder at the pier and also a possible bike park. Potential liability concerns concerning both issues will be discussed.

Regarding correspondence from Rob and Jan Perry for a request to put a bench at the harbour in memory of their son Drew, the committee indicated that Town staff should work with the family in whatever way we can regarding this request.

Donna Atkinson brought up an issue concerning Teskey Drive access routes where some boulders have been placed. Shawn advised that our CEO, Paul Graham is working with the residents concerning these issues.

Cam Kennedy spoke to the committee concerning a request to hold a cancer fund raiser. The itinerary would be to start at Bridges Restaurant and then a bus would take people to Tomahawk to play golf. There was some indication of a fashion show as well. It was noted that this would fall outside the allowed hours which are stipulated in the Parks Use By-law.

**E. New and Unfinished Business**

N/A

**F. Next Meeting Date**

September 25, 2008 – Town offices – Committee Room 4:00 pm

**G. Adjournment**

**Moved by: Cam Kennedy      Seconded by: Alan Chesworth**

THAT this meeting do now adjourn, Carried.

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