Centre Hastings Park Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday May 21, 2014 Council Chambers

In Attendance: Charles Gordon, Carm Donato, Jane Donato, Marjorie Reid, Shelby Kramp- Neuman, Rob Gardiner, Dale Smith, Shannon Burke, Jeff Bitton

Regrets: Nicole Shire

Call to Order: 6:30pm

Letter of Resignation:

Charles advised Committee of Lesley Morgan's resignation from the Park Committee due to other commitments.

Approval of the Agenda:

Shelby moved, Rob seconded, approval of the agenda. Carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

none

Approval of the Minutes of April 16, 2014

Rob moved, Jane seconded, approval of the minutes of April 16, 2014. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

1. Arts Centre:

Carm reported he made presentation to Council on May 14, 2014 to request the municipality proceed with the air conditioning at the Arts Centre. Council rejected his request, instead asking staff to determine whether or not they could get by with a floor model residential air conditioner.

Shelby moved, Carm seconded, that Council be requested to revisit the decision to remove air conditioning of the Arts Centre from the 2014 budget. Carried.

Park Supervisor Report:

Shannon provided an update on park preparations. Noted damage to the rules sign plexiglass is being repaired, play structure to be repaired May 27, new slushy machine is working out well, changed ice cream suppliers to Reids. Staff has worked extremely well together, Cross training of all staff to the various jobs is working quite well.

New Business:

1. Skate Park Hours

For May June park will be open/staffed:

- 10:00am to 8:00pm Sun. to Thurs.
- 10:00am to 10:00pm Fri/ Sat. (and Sundays on the long weekends)

2. Night Skates

Carm expressed concern with excessive pop cans/ trash being left by the skate pad in the evenings. Discussed possibility of taking away night skates, or moving out the benches. Staff to monitor it for now, park to stay open until 10:00 (Fri/ Sat) as long as good behaviour.

3. Maintenance Projects/ Dates

- Health inspection this Friday May 23
- Cracks still to be repaired, hopefully next week
- Kerr Sprinklers will be in to service May 27
- Play structure to be repaired May 27
- Energy audit to be done May 28
- Parking lot will have calcium applied on May 28
- Water run-off from rental shack to be addressed in June

4. Skate Competition:

Candice and Marjorie to arrange in July, Tyler Peck to M/C, Carm offered to run promo at the theatre.

5. Location/Topographical Map

Charles noted the Economic Development Committee has created visitor maps for various places in Centre Hastings including the skate park. Committee suggested combining a smaller version of it in conjunction with the rules sign that needs replacing.

6. Gate Opened

Staff noted the gate on the north-east corner of park is now being left open to accommodate foot traffic into the park, especially during the construction at the south-east corner. Dale will monitor.

7. True Sport Banner

In 2012 the Centre Hastings Park was declared a True Sport facility, as are most of the recreational sites in Centre Hastings. Shannon noted the True Sport mandate is on display in the park, and committee agreed to continue to put up the True Sport Banner at park events such as the skate competition.

Next Meeting:

6:30pm, Wednesday, June 18th, 2014 Council Chambers

Meeting Adjourned:

Shelby moved the meeting to be adjourned @ 7: 35 pm