



Town of LaSalle
Culture and Recreation/Parks Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday, Jan 19, 2017 9:00 a.m.
Room 236, Town Hall

Minutes - AMENDED

Present: S. Desjarlais, Councillor
M. Akpata, Councillor
K. Miller, CAO
P. Funaro, Supervisor Programming, Interim Director, Culture & Recreation
M. Beggs, Manager, Parks and Roads
P. Marra, Director, Public Works
M. Masanovich, Manager, Facilities
J. Turnbull, Supervisor of Programming
K. Scherer, Assistant to the Director of Culture & Recreation

Regrets: C. Meloche, Councillor

1. S. Desjarlais called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Desjarlais/Akpata

That the minutes of the Thursday October 27, 2016 Culture and Recreation/Parks Advisory Committee meeting BE APPROVED. Carried.

3. Boat Ramp Hut:

M. Beggs presented a Boat Ramp Hut option from the company Euroshed which would cost approximately \$5,400 and would fit within the budget. M. Beggs indicated that the concrete pad with power already exists and that a new hut can be placed on the existing footprint and could be installed in the early spring. M. Akpata requested 2 additional quotes before a final decision is made.

S. Desjarlais/M. Akpata

That a MOTION be made for M. Beggs to obtain 2 additional quotes to bring to the next meeting.

4. Ice Use Allocation Policy & Procedure DRAFT:

P. Funaro presented a draft of the revised Ice Use Allocation Policy and indicated that it has not been updated since 1998. P. Funaro indicated that she has consulted with other municipalities to combine best practices with what has been done in the past.

S. Desjarlais/M. Akpata

That a MOTION be made to recommend the updated policy to Council for approval.

5. Outdoor Sport Surface Use Allocation Policy DRAFT:

P. Funaro presented a draft of the newly created Outdoor Sport Surface Use Allocation Policy and indicated that there has never been a policy in place.

S. Desjarlais/M. Akpata

That a MOTION be made to recommend the policy to Council for approval.

6. Location of Splash Pad:

K. Miller reported that the capital budget for the outdoor splash pad has been approved and that consultation has been underway with Bezaire & Associates. K. Miller indicated that the splash pad may not be ready to be open for July 1 (Canada Day) and that the Town of LaSalle is waiting on an outstanding grant application, which if approved, would mean the splash pad theme would be built around the grant, and otherwise would have a nautical theme.

S. Desjarlais/M. Akpata

That a MOTION be made of general concurrence by the committee to accept the plan.

7. Renaming of Stompers Clubhouse:

P. Funaro reported that the LaSalle Stompers would like to install a plaque at the Stompers Clubhouse in memory of LaSalle Stompers volunteer.

S. Desjarlais/M. Akpata

That a MOTION be made to direct the LaSalle Stompers towards utilizing the LaSalle Memorial Program.

8. Accessible Swing: M. Beggs reported that an accessible swing for Front Road Park will cost approximately \$1,000 and that he has emailed the information to Raquel Rankin to ensure the swing will be suitable for her daughter. M. Beggs indicated that he will follow up with Raquel and ask her to test out the same type of swing at Lucier Park to make sure it will fit their needs.

General discussion ensued and the committee agreed that M. Beggs would bring his findings to the next meeting. Note: no formal Motion was taken.

- 9. Water Bottle Refill Station Location:** J. Turnbull and M. Masanovich indicated that a grant in the amount of \$2,500 has been received from the Healthy Kids Community Challenge which is a partnership with the City of Windsor, to install a water refill station at the Vollmer complex. J. Turnbull indicated that the refill station will be located near the concession/eating area which fits with the criteria of the grant and that installation will be completed by April 2017.

It was generally agreed upon that the above mentioned water bottle refill station information be received. Note: no formal Motion was taken.

- 10. Sponsor Banners on Nets:** P. Funaro indicated that the LaSalle Stompers would like to put their sponsors names on soccer nets during the summer soccer season.

General discussion ensued and the committee agreed that sponsors logo's would remain on the outdoor digital sign located at the Vollmer complex.

S. Desjarlais/M. Akpata

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the request from the Stompers be denied and that the Town follow the current advertising practices.

- 11. Summer Ice:** P. Funaro reported on a recent suggestion that the rinks at the Vollmer complex be opened later into August, but that doing this would mean that some groups may not get the time they would like, to rent the ice. P. Marra indicated that it depends on weather conditions including heat & humidity & that the ice must be ready by Aug 27 for the Vipers exhibition game. K. Miller indicated that we should follow what was done last year and it should be made clear with all users of summer ice that if the Town of LaSalle needs to close the ice due to weather conditions, that is what we will do.

General discussion ensued and the committee agreed to be aware of weather conditions and to follow what was done last year.

S. Desjarlais/M. Akpata

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the Town install summer ice in 2017 for the same period as 2016 and all users be advised that closures may occur as a result of extreme summer heat.

- 12. Old Business:** none to report

13. New Business:

Identifying Walking Trails – S. Desjarlais indicated that she was contacted by a resident who recently fell while walking on one of the trails but was unable to identify where she was. S. Desjarlais indicated that the resident has made an inquiry about putting numbers along the trails for identification purposes. P. Marra indicated that he will come back to the committee with a report.

Glass Barrier – S. Desjarlais indicated that she has been asked about installing glass at the top of the stairs in Rink A, at the Vollmer Complex, to dissuade kids from playing in the area. M. Masanovich indicated that signage can be put up to enforce precaution and safety.

14. Next Meeting Dates:

- Thursday Feb 16, 2017 @ 9:00am
- Thursday March 23, 2017 @ 9:00am
- Thursday April 20, 2017 @ 9:00am
- Thursday May 18, 2017 @ 9:00am
- Thursday June 15, 2017 @ 9:00am

15. Adjournment: S. Desjarlais adjourned the meeting at 10:15am