

VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS
RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2005
7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Village of New Minas Recreation Advisory Committee was held in the conference room of the Village Office on Tuesday, November 1st, 2005 at 7:00 p.m..

In Attendance: Dave Chaulk, Village Commission Chair
Sherry Swanburg, Village Commissioner
Dale Pineo, Village Commissioner
Les Sequeria, Citizen Member
Jennifer Coolen, Director of Recreation
Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer

CALL TO ORDER

D. Chaulk called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion of S. Swanburg, seconded by L. Sequeria, the Agenda of the November 1, 2005 meeting was approved as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED unanimously**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS INTRODUCTIONS/GUIDELINES/CONTACT INFORMATION

Introductions took place. J. Coolen

Discussion took place with regard to the development of Guidelines for the newly formed Village of New Minas Recreation Advisory Committee (RAC). J. Coolen stated that she has already requested copies of Terms of References from other units to be used as guidelines for the VNMRAC. It was agreed that when a draft Terms of Reference is compiled, the Committee members would also receive those submitted by other units, and the former Terms of Reference for the Village of New Minas.

Membership

Discussion took place regarding the filling of a vacancy on the NMRAC. The Clerk will contact the applicant from a recent advertisement, and another ad will be placed for membership.

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It was moved by S. Swanburg, seconded by D. Pineo that the Election of Officers be tabled to the December, 2005 regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED unanimously

NEW BUSINESS**1. Skatepark Update**

J. Coolen gave an update on the Skatepark Project. The project is well underway, with the prefabrication having started several weeks ago. The contractors are on-site as of Thursday last week and the skatepark is shaping up nicely. The projected completion time is another two weeks.

Jennifer stated that the estimated cost came in at \$71,000; however, because of the kind cash donations, in-kind donations, and reduced prices by merchants and contractors, the new estimate is \$57,000. New Minas Rotary Club is kindly donating \$20,000 over three years, the Village of New Minas is donating \$10,000, the Municipality of Kings is granting \$10,000, Sport and Rec Nova Scotia \$15,000, and the skaters are fund-raising \$5,000. Quality Concrete is donating \$2,000 and County Fair Mall is expected to get back to Jennifer any day with a cash donation. She stated that most everyone she has contacted has been very excited and generous.

Jennifer stated that she has received a lot of feedback from New Minas residents, as well as a lot of interest from throughout Nova Scotia. This skatepark is one of the first concrete parks in Nova Scotia, and many other municipalities are interested in the prototype.

The members commended Jennifer for doing such a great job spearheading this exciting project.

DIRECTOR'S MONTHLY REPORT

J. Coolen presented her monthly report (attached to original minutes). Discussion took place on the items included in this report.

Jennifer noted that she was voted on the Recreation Nova Scotia (RNS) Board as the recording secretary. Jennifer was congratulated for this appointment.

It was moved by D. Pineo, seconded by S. Swanburg, that the Director's Monthly Report be adopted as presented. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the NMRAC will be held on December 6, 2005 at 7:00 p.m..

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of S. Swanburg, the motion adjourned.

D. Chaulk, Chair

T. Silver, Clerk Treasurer