

**NEW MINAS RECREATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MAY 6, 2003
7:00 PM**

In Attendance: Ted Nicholson Chairman
Wayne Merrill
Jack Hersey
Steve Dalziel
Les Sequeira

Greg Messom Parks and Recreation
Jennifer Coolen Recreation Director

Absent: Les Barrett

Call to Order: Chairman Nicholson called to meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Approval of minutes: **On motion of Jack Hersey, seconded by Les Sequeira the minutes of April 8th are approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Nicholson introduced Jennifer Coolen to the committee as the new Recreation Director

Report Jennifer Coolen: Jennifer Coolen supplied the committee with a list of things that she has done over the past week.

She stated that the budget was not yet ready and with no actual accounts from last year it would take another couple of weeks to have it ready to present. She stated that she had met with Mr. Ramsay and Greg Messom and they would meet again before having it complete.

Jennifer Coolen presented a budget for summer programs to have approved in order to move ahead with the hiring of summer staff.

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**Jennifer
Coolen's Report**

On motion of Wayne Merrill and seconded by Steve Dalziel the summer program budget for 2003 be approved for a total of \$ 31,845.00. MOTION CARRIED.

Jennifer Coolen stated that she would like to hire an inclusion worker instead of an assistant this year. She stated that this would be more beneficial to the program. The committee agreed.

**Greg Messom's
Monthly Report**

Greg Messom's Parks and Recreation Maintenance report was accepted into the records.

Mr. Messom stated that there was just one applicant applied for the canteen Leonard Dulong and Lynn Hackett. Mr. Messom did a check on Mr. Dulong and found him to be suitable for the position.

On Motion of Steve Dalziel seconded by Wayne Merrill to have Leonard Dulong and Lynn Hackett run the canteen for the summer.

Mr. Messom had Light and Power in to do a scope on the lighting at the park. Mr. Nicholson suggested that it be taken to a Village Commission Meeting to have them pay for the extra lighting. Mr. Merrill will bring it to the Village Meeting.

Mr. Messom reported that Ravine Park was quite a disaster area. Mr Messom has the Garbage Police coming to take a look at it. Greg Messom suggested that the next time a group requests a cleanup group for a donation that they have them clean up Ravine Park.

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Greg Messom's Report

Greg Messom stated that they are waiting for all the funding to be in place before signing the contract with ACL for \$ 90,000.00 for the New Sports Field.

New Business:

Wayne Merrill asked about the status of painting the Civic Center. Mr. Messom stated that he had gotten 3 quotes and had made the phone call to the lowest bidder, which came in at \$2,200.00. Mr. Merrill suggested another color be used in place of the blue.

Chairman Nicholson stated had a lot of call from parents of New Minas questioning why New Minas was not participating in the indoor soccer facility in Kentville. Chairman Nicholson requested Greg Messom and Jennifer Coolen talk to Kentville recreation department and report back at the next meeting.

Chairman Nicholson requested that Jennifer Coolen be able to sit on the committee of the Wellness Center as a representative of the New Minas Recreation. It was agreed that Wayne Merrill would investigate this matter and report back to the Committee next meeting

Approval of Accounts:

On motion of Les Sequeira and seconded by Jack Hersey the accounts be paid in the amount of \$7,436.16 as circulated. MOTION CARRIED.

Date of Next Meeting:

Next meeting scheduled for June 3rd.

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Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

APPROVAL

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY