

**VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS
RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 2003
7:00 PM**

In Attendance

Dave Chaulk	Chairperson
Sherry Swanburg	
Jack Hersey	
Les Sequeira	
Tim Kendricks	
Jennifer Coolen	Recreation Director
Greg Messom	Maintenance Foreman

Absent

Ted Nicholson
Steve Dalziel

Call to Order

Chairperson Chaulk called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

Approval of Minutes

On Motion of Jack Hersey seconded by Sherry Swanburg to approve the minutes of November 4, 2003 as circulated. MOTION CARRIED

**Approval of
Agenda**

On Motion of Sherry Swanburg seconded by Les Sequeira to approve the agenda as circulated. MOTION CARRIED

**Business Arising from
minutes
Operating Guidelines**

Recreation Advisory Committee amendments to the operating guidelines have been passed by the Village Commission at their November 17th meeting.
It was requested to have the Village Commission Appoint a Vice Chair for the Recreation Committee at their next meeting.

**Jennifer Coolen's
Report**

On Motion of Sherry Swanburg seconded by Jack Hersey to accept Jennifer Coolen's report as circulated. MOTION CARRIED

Out of her report it was suggested that she take a look at booking the EMS school for fall programs in advance. This is due to Dave Harris retiring in 1 1/2 years.

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New Business
Security Lockhart
Ryan Park

Greg Messom reported on the security checks carried out at the park as well Jack Hersey stated that the RCMP have asked the Citizen's on Patrol to carry out more checks on there patrols. In conclusion the Recreation Committee feels confident that all necessary safety measures are being taken.

Hanging Flowers

Mr. Messom gave the a committee a run down of flowering cost and suggested we shorten the area to hang the baskets and this year send it out to tender. It was the opinion of the Chairperson that the flowers should not be under recreation but public works and would bring it up at the next Village meeting.

Rink Update

Greg Messom stated the cost for the rink would cost approximately \$6500.00 to have a rink weather permitting. It wasn't budgeted for this year and Jennifer Coolen has talked to the mall owner requesting help with funding. It was agreed to leave it in Jennifer and Greg's hand to look into it.

Park and Playground
update

Greg Messom reported that the buildings are closed for the winter and the park is closed. He stated that the work in Ravine park is coming along nicely. There were railings built, some trees have been removed and they need to build a bridge.

The Christmas decorations have been put up around the village.

Update on RNS
Conference

Sherry Swanburg reported on the RNS Conference. The theme for the conference was Hidden Treasures. The fact that our health concerns are rising and rising most predominantly our children with obesity and lack of activity and what we can do to provide activity. Jennifer Coolen stated a lot of her sessions had to do with issues and trends in the field right now. This gave her contact with the other recreation directors and was able to talk about the real life issues going on now. Over all the conference was very informative.

Carnival plan

Jennifer Coolen stated that the winter carnival should be planned and added to next years budget. Time is limited this year and it has not been budgeted for this year.

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Trails

Correspondence was received from a resident with issues concerning safe walking trails for her children to travel to and from school. The issues were addressed and Sherry Swanburg will respond to her.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8.40 pm

Approval

Chairman

Secretary