

**Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting  
March 29, 2023  
Town Hall Chambers**

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**In Attendance:**

Kris Larson – Chair  
Brian Wright – Council  
Faith Zachar – Member at Large  
Sheena Adamson – Member at Large  
Judy Lee – Member at Large  
La Vonne Rideout – Community Services  
Adam Grose – Recreation Manager (zoom)  
Rhonda Oczkowski – Recreation Programmer

**Regrets:**

Kari Grandoni

**Pincher Creek Minor Soccer Delegation**

**1. Call to Order**

Kris Larson called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

**2. Approval of March 29, 2023 agenda**

Faith Zachar moved the Recreation Advisory Committee agenda, March 29, 2023 be accepted as presented.

**3. Approval of February 16, 2023 minutes**

Brian Wright moved the Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting accept the February 16, 2023 minutes as presented.

**4. Business Arising from the minutes**

**a. Bus Shelter**

The Committee would like to see the install of the bus shelter at Sproule Field

**b. Curling Rink**

Brian Wright updated the Committee that currently a borrowing bylaw to support the funding of the arena build at \$4,000,000 has had its first reading with the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading to come to councils next meeting on April 17, 2023. Curling Club has indicated that they would assume expenses to operate the new facility. A green efficiency grant has been applied for which increase the build to \$5,000,000

**5. New Business**

**a. Trail Maintenance**

Kris Larson felt a limestone tune up at the Ag grounds is needed for the existing path. The proposed trail for east of town is now waiting for further movement from the M.D. of Pincher Creek.

**b. Council presentation April 5, 2023**

Kris Larson and Sheena Adamson will present to committee of the whole to bring focus to the Recreation Master Plan. Points that will be presented are:

- Trails – plowing on all trails, community walkability.
- Arena upgrades
- Open spaces- upgrading existing facilities.
- Curling rink

## **6. Open Discussion/Report**

### **a. Department Report**

#### **i. Programming and Events**

Rhonda Oczkowski updated on the following:

- Spring Registration, March 2. Highest attendance with approx.. 175-200 people checking the 13 tables of activities in attendance
- Pickleball has gone to MHHS with such high participation, allowing for 5 courts to be used.
- Pitch-in is April 17 – May 12. Information has gone out to all the schools and there will be a clean-up campaign.
- Historical Signage Committee has been informed by the Kootenai Brown Pioneer Village that their services for research will now be at a cost of \$30/hour. This committee runs strictly from volunteers and has no money to continue researching for their downtown signage program.
- Volunteer Week is April 17 – 21<sup>st</sup>. Invite all our committee volunteers to the evening appreciation event on April 18. A volunteer recruitment workshop is on April 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Arena ice is closed for the season. 46 private rentals, 9 local tournaments. 2500 family/public skate participants passed through the doors.
- Hosted 2 pop up Learn to Cross Country Ski workshops. 18 people in attendance. Lesson given at the pool park. Syncline Castle Trails Association sponsored the certified instructor.

#### **ii. Pool, Arena & Parks**

Adam Grose reported that the pool staffing is increasing with 7 sr. lifeguards, 6 jr. lifeguards and 3 in waiting. 4 night front desk staff.

### **b. Members Reports**

Sheena Adamson- Skating club finished off their season with a successful ice carnival with having the largest in spectators in attendance. 3 of 4 St Michael's basketball teams made it to provincials.

Faith Zachar – The Mustangs will have 4 players attending the upcoming All Star Games. 8 athletes are trying for the Alberta Summer games.

Judy Lee – Feb 20, SCAT hosted a Family Day celebration at Syncline Castle Ski area. 43 people were in attendance to enjoy hotdogs, a free guided snowshoe. 46 snowshoers participated in the SCAT sponsored hikes for the winter season.

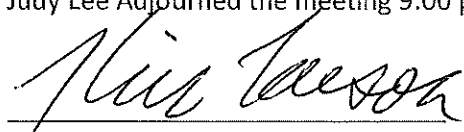
Kris Larson – High School baseball is starting

## **7. Next Meeting**

April 26 at 6 pm

8. Adjourn

Judy Lee Adjourned the meeting 9:00 pm



Approved by Kris Larson – Chair

Aug 23/23

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Date

