

RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 19, 2023
Town Hall Chambers

In attendance:

Kris Larson – Chair
Kari Grandoni – Vice Chair
Judy Lee – Member at Large
Faith Zachar – Member at Large
Sheena Adamson – Member at Large
Adam Grose – Recreation Manager
Rhonda Oczkowski – Recreation Programmer

Regrets:

Brian Wright – Councilor

Minor Baseball Delegation – Carlye Ouelette

1. Call to Order

Kris Larson – Chair
6:25 pm

2. Approval of October 19, 2023 Agenda

Faith Zachar moved the Recreation Advisory Committee October 19, 2023 agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED

3. Approval of August 23, 2023 minutes

Judy Lee moved to approve the Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2023. CARRIED

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

a. **Curling Rink** – No new information

b. **Bus Shelters**

An RFD of recommendations has been submitted but has not gone to council as of yet.

c. **Trail Update**

M.D. still has not been able to contact the one private property owner the trail will cross into yet.

5. New Business

a. **Fee Schedule**

Rec Advisory Committee recommended that there should be an increase in purchases of punch passes.

Punch passes should expire after a year.

b. **Communities in Bloom**

Rhonda presented on the evaluation received from the judging panel in July 8, 2023.

Pincher Creek continues to grow and works toward the 6 areas that CIB evaluates. Pincher Creek increased its final mark evaluation from its last evaluation in 2018. Weeds, trees and

graffiti our weakest area versus Pincher Planters, parks, Climate Risk Assessment our strengths. Pincher Creek has been asked to consider hosting the 2025 CIB Symposium.

c. Terms of Reference *Rec advisory*

Sheena-Adamson moved the Recreation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be updated to include a representative from Operations sit on this committee. Second by Kari. CARRIED

- Reasons:
1. Users of parks and trails should have input for use of trails and sports fields.
 2. Collaboration between Recreation and Operations as per council strategic plan
 3. It is hard to communicate with user groups if we do not know what is intended plan for recreation facilities and parks, trails
 4. To align with councils' strategic priorities we should have good communication

6. Open Discussion

a. Department Report

i. Programming and Events

See attached.

ii. Pool and Arena

Adam reported that the arena concession has an operator – Amanda from the Fox Theater. She has a 3-year contract and will start a soft opening on October 21. The ice plant shut down while in the stages of making ice. Got the plant going again and saved the ice but it is not its best color due to the white paint dispersing when it melted temporarily. Minor Hockey has an extra 3 teams this year. The pool will have some NL courses in November, in hopes of obtaining more lifeguards.

b. Members Reports

Sheena Adamson – Cross Country team had one qualified for Provincials. Strong group of 19 kids this year. Volleyball has a strong team this year with Jr. and Sr's. Skating Club has 10 Jr/Sr skaters. 25 Canskate program – offering semester skates. 9 registered PreCan skaters. Still taking registration and can sign up through a link on their facebook.

Kari Grandoni – A Stomp Scholarship has been set up in memory of Madison Grandoni.

Faith Zachar – Mustangs had 3 teams this season with 2 teams being exhibition only. Felt the football field was in its best shape ever. New coaches on the roster and hope to build the teams with them.

Judy Lee – Syncline Castle Trails Association (SCAT) are finalizing dates for guided snowshoe and cross country ski this year. 4/6 geocache sites were approved by Alberta Parks. Will be purchasing additional youth size skis to add to the ski inventory.


Kris Larson – Minor Hockey has tiering right now.


7. Next Meeting

November 23, 2023 at 6 pm

8. Adjourn

Faith at 7:45 pm


Approved by Kris Larson – Chair


Date