



## CITY OF ORILLIA Recreation Advisory Committee MINUTES

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation Advisory Committee, Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the Brooks Boardroom, Orillia City Centre**

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**Present:** Councillor Jeff Clark in the Chair  
Mark Rousseau  
Paul Sheridan  
Larry Smith  
Michael Underhill  
Amy Wagner

**Absent:** Councillor Ralph Cipolla, Chair  
Racheal Costello  
Dave Mitchell

**Also Present:** Ray Merkley, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture  
John McMullen, Manager of Parks  
Robin Cadeau, Assistant Clerk/Committee Coordinator

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:11 p.m. with Councillor Jeff Clark acting as Chair.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Rousseau, seconded by Sheridan:  
THAT the agenda for the Recreation Advisory Committee meeting held on June 27, 2018 be approved as distributed.

**Carried.**

### **Disclosure of Interest**

None declared.

### **Deputations**

None.

### **Minutes**

1. May 23, 2018.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Sheridan:

THAT the minutes of the Recreation Advisory Committee meeting held on May 23, 2018 be adopted, having been printed and distributed.

**Carried.**

## **Closed Session**

There were no closed session items for this meeting.

## **Correspondence - Information Items**

1. City Policy 7.1.8.1. - re Naming/Renaming of Parks.

Moved by Underhill, seconded by Smith:

THAT the Correspondence - Information Items on the agenda for the Recreation Advisory Committee meeting held on June 27, 2018 be received as information.

**Carried.**

Members suggested that a public process for naming the new park in the Stone Ridge Subdivision, currently in design phase, be undertaken once 2019 budget approvals were in place and the project is closer to construction phase.

## **Correspondence - Action Items**

1. Parks, Recreation and Culture Department - re Survey Results for Hillcrest Park Off Leash Dog Area.
  - a) City of Winnipeg Guidelines for Off Leash Dog Parks
  - b) Larry Smith - re Off Leash Dog Parks

Moved by Underhill, seconded by Wagner:

THAT, further to the correspondence from the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department and member Larry Smith regarding leash-free dog zones, the Recreation Advisory Committee recommends that Council authorize the Committee to undertake a comprehensive review of City-owned properties and alternative policy options and potential locations for leash-free dog zones for a report back in 2019.

**Carried.**

Staff will incorporate the Committee's recommendation into their report to answer a Council request for public consultation regarding a leash-free dog zone in Hillcrest Park.

2. Larry Smith - re Couchiching Waterfront Park – Safety Concerns.

Moved by Smith, seconded by Sheridan:

THAT the correspondence dated June 19, 2018 from Larry Smith regarding Couchiching Waterfront Park - Safety Concerns be received as information and forwarded to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department staff for their information and any available corrective action.

**Carried.**

3. Parks, Recreation and Culture Department - re Notes on Outdoor Rink Operations.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Rousseau:

THAT, further to the correspondence received June 19, 2018 from the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department regarding Outdoor Rinks, the Recreation Advisory Committee provides the following comments:

- consider options for designating a limited number of rinks for early start or priority opening
- support initiatives to extend the outdoor season (such as rink liners, bladders, and boards)

**Carried.**

Staff will incorporate the Committee's comments into their report to answer a Council enquiry regarding outdoor ice rinks.

4. Parks, Recreation and Culture Department - re Design Concepts for Canoe/Kayak/Fishing Pier.

Moved by Sheridan, seconded by Rousseau:

THAT, further to the correspondence received June 19, 2018 from the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department regarding design concepts for a canoe/kayak launch and fishing pier replacement, the Recreation Advisory Committee provides the following comments:

- availability of shade is important
- a sand launch is nice, but not a necessity
- proximity to parking is important
- the Site 3 option provided is favoured for the fishing pier.

**Carried.**

Staff will incorporate the Committee's comments into their report to Council regarding the creation of Centennial/Couchiching Beach Park design plans.

**Reports**

None.

**Date of Next Meeting**

Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the Brooks Boardroom, Orillia City Centre.

**Adjournment**

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Rousseau:

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

**Carried.**

Meeting adjourned - 7:03 p.m.

*[adopted August 22, 2018]*

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J. Clark,  
Chair.