



TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

MINUTES

July 12, 2022

The meeting of Make a Big Splash Spray Park Advisory Committee of the Town of Fort Frances was held in the Memorial Sports Centre

PRESENT: Elaine Fischer, Christine Hampton, Cheyenne Calder, Sandra Tibbs, Sara Noonan

ALSO PRESENT: Travis Rob, Cody Vangel, Glen & Dianne Wood, Paul and Kathy Lawson

1. Call to Order

Meeting Called to Order 5:30pm

2. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof

-None

3. Approval of Previous Committee Minutes

3.1 Approval of the June 20th committee meeting minutes

Tibbs-Fischer THAT the meeting minutes of the June 20, 2022 meeting be approved as circulated

CARRIED

4. New Business

4.1 Confirmation of committee chair

- It was confirmed that the committee chair would be Becky Andrusco with Vice Chair being Sandra Weir

5. Outstanding Items

5.1 Finalization of Committee Terms of Reference

- The amended draft terms of reference were presented to the committee some final discussion was had on meeting times and locations and it was determined that the terms of reference were to be brought to council for approval

Tibbs-Noonan THAT the Make a Big Splash Spray Park Terms of Reference be forwarded to Council for approval as amended.

CARRIED

5.2 Location Discussion and Finalization

- Neighborhood members were in attendance and a wholesome discussion was had on the location of the park and concerns around the development in the Legion Park discussed. The Town took note of the concerns for inclusion in the design phase of the development. The property owners were generally in support of the development in Legion Park as long as their concerns would be considered through the development.

Hampton-Wood THAT the Make a Big Splash Spray Park Advisory Committee recommends that the Council of the Town of Fort Frances Designate the Legion Park for the development of a new spray park.

AND FURTHER THAT the reconstruction of Lillie Avenue from Kings Highway south to the river including the installation of signals at the intersection of Kings Highway and Lillie Avenue be completed concurrently with the splash park development at no additional cost to the residents in this neighborhood.

CARRIED

- 5.3 Follow up on design discussion from last meeting
 - The Town gave an update on design changes that were discussed at the last meeting. The consultant was working on a rendering with a bucket and a mermaid/fishing theme. The Town anticipated some documents in the coming days. Once more information was available the Town would pass that on to the group.
- 5.4 Update on funding opportunities
 - The Town reached out to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund to see what programs were available. There is a funding stream available to a max of \$500,000 or 75% of eligible expenditures. The application is open now and can be submitted any time. The Town outlined their budget for the development maximizing the funding provided and broke out the fundraising goal before any design changes.
- 5.5 Press release/Social Media post
 - The Committee is hoping for a 'virtual tour' of the pad from the designer to use as 'kick off' material for the social media page. The Town is hoping for an update from the designer on that soon.

6. Information

7. Adjourn / Next Meeting Date

- 7.1 Meeting Adjourned - 7:42pm
Next Meeting TBD - Late August or Early September

Tibbs - Wood THAT the Meeting of the Make a Big Splash Spray Park Advisory Committee hereby be adjourned

CARRIED

Advisory Committee Chair

T. Rob, Manager of Operations and Facilities