

Recreation Committee Meeting – February 12, 2024

PRESENT: Chairman Greg Carlson, Mayor Trevor Hay, Councillors Art Garrett, Jason Hunter, Jadwiga Dolega-Cieszkowski, Recreation Director Kelli Emmons, Superintendent of Public Works Bob Bors and CAO Darcy Olson.

ABSENT:

Called to order: Chairman Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

1. In-Camera: An In-Camera session was held prior to the meeting to discuss Long Range Planning.
2. Conflict of Interest:
No Committee members indicated any conflict of interest, at this time, regarding any items on the agenda.
3. Minutes - Recreation Committee Minutes of January 8, 2024:
Minutes were reviewed.
4. Parks and Recreation Department Report:
Recreation Director presented her report for the month of January. Discussion on the poor condition of the outdoor ice surface, new hours for staffing the Arena and the heated seating section of the Arena.
5. Financial Statements – January 2024:
The Committee reviewed the financials for January 2024.
6. Age Friendly Rosetown – January 3, 2024 Meeting:
Committee reviewed the minutes of the January 3, 2024 Meeting of the Rosetown Age Friendly Committee.
7. QR Code – Arena Complaints:
Recreation Director informed the Committee that the QR code used to allow people to access a complaint process for the Arena has an expiry and either rented or purchased for continued use. The cost to rent is approximately \$80/month and the purchase is about \$300. There is signage that directs people that in the event of an emergency there is a phone number to call for immediate assistance and an email address to lodge a formal complaint. The Recreation Director indicated that she had received approximately 4 complaints utilizing the QR code. The Committee agreed that the cost of the QR code was not worth the ease of use considering that there are other avenues individuals may utilize to submit complaints.
8. 2024 Pool Rates:
The Recreation Director provided a new 2024 rate schedule for the Aquatic Centre based on a 2% increase. Committee reviewed the new schedule which had been rounded to exclude penny amounts.

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Recommendation: That the attached 2024 Pool Rates be approved for the 2024 season.

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9. Resignation of Rick McKeil – Friends of the Arena:

A letter of resignation from Rick McKeil was reviewed by the Committee. Rick had been a long-term volunteer with the Friends of the Arena and his presence will be missed. Committee directed that a letter be sent to Mr. McKeil thanking him for his years of service on the Friends of the Arena Committee.

10. Grave Marker (Bylaw Contravention):

A request was made to replace a ceramic border around a flat marker in the Town cemetery. This border does not conform to the current bylaw, but because it was grandfathered in it did not need to be removed. Its replacement however, can not be approved by the staff under the current bylaw. Committee discussed that at the time the monument was installed it conformed to the cemetery bylaw. Committee thought that placing a base under the flat marker might be a better way to protect the monument and would conform to our current bylaw.

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Recommendation: That the family which owns Grave 10, Block 53 of the Roselawn Section of the cemetery be granted a variance to the Cemetery Bylaw to replace the border of the existing monument. That they also be informed that placing a base under the monument, instead of replacing the border, would conform to the bylaw and may afford better protection of the monument.

11. Family Columbariums:

Item is still under investigation and will be brought to the Committee when further information is obtained.

12. Rosetown Cemetery Ground Penetrating Radar:

Item is still under investigation and will be brought to the Committee when further information is obtained.

13. Adjournment: Mayor Trevor Hay adjourned the meeting at 6:33 pm.

Greg Carlson, Chairman

Darcy Olson, CAO