

Recreation Committee Meeting – December 9, 2024

PRESENT: Chairman Art Garrett, Mayor Trevor Hay, Councillors Greg Carlson, Janet Coffey-Olson, Kimiko Otterspoor, Recreation Director Kelli Emmons, Superintendent of Public Works Bob Bors and CAO Darcy Olson.

ABSENT:

Called to order: Chairman Garrett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. In-Camera:
Committee held an in-camera discussion on Human Resources from 6:00 p.m. to 6:10 p.m.
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 September 9, 2024:
Minutes were reviewed.
4. Parks and Recreation Department Report:
Recreation Director presented her report for the month of November. The Recreation Director reported on the outdoor ice and the volunteers who are helping install the ice.
5. Financial Statements – Period Ending November 30, 2024:
The Committee reviewed the financials for November 2024.
6. Rosetown Kid Kare – Rosetown Library Rental (Summer Program):
Committee reviewed a letter from Kid Kare expressing interest in renting the basement of the library for their 2025 Summer Program. Committee would like the Recreation Director to check with the current renter of the facility, Alphabet Owls Playschool, to see if they have any concerns with the area being rented during their off-season. Committee also discussed that there would be room in the Civic Centre that could be rented for a summer program. Item to be tabled until the next Recreation Meeting.
7. Devon Brooks – Rekkers Recreation Hockey Tournament:
Committee reviewed an email from Mr. Devon Brooks regarding a discounted rate for the Rekkers Recreation Hockey Tournament scheduled for December 21, 2024. Recreation Director indicated that a discounted rate is already given for this tournament and the ice rental is charged at the youth rate instead of the adult rate saving over \$400 in ice fees. This tournament has a bar which utilizes the lobby area of the arena long after the actual tournament is completed. Organizations such as the Kinsmen Club and the Ositis Foundation rent town facilities for fundraising events towards community projects and they pay the full rental rate of the facility. Arena rentals only pay for approximately 52% of the costs of running the facility. Committee directed the Recreation Director to inform Mr. Brooks that the rental rate is already discounted and that there would be no further reduction of the facility for the tournament.

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8. Roseview Cemetery Plot Prices:

Administration had recommended a plot price of \$600 for the Roseview section of the cemetery. This is an increase of \$200 from the plots in the Roselawn section. Administration justified the difference from the cost of providing runners for placement of headstones in the Roseview section. This increase in the cost of the plot will be offset by the purchasers not having to provide a base for the headstone saving them \$400 to \$500. Administration indicated that changes will have to be made to the Cemetery Bylaw for the plot pricing and the placement of headstones on the runners of the Roseview section.

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Recommendation: That Administration make the necessary changes to the Cemetery Bylaw to set prices of plots in the Roseview section to \$600 and also to set rules regarding the placement of headstones on the runners provided.

9. RMAA Boardroom Request:

Committee reviewed a request from RMAA to install a smart tv in the boardroom of the rink so that coaches may review hockey footage with team members. This would be an educational tool to teach players. Committee discussed that this may be an item utilized by the figure skating club as well. Concerns were expressed about the tv becoming a entertainment outlet to stream Netflix for kids. Committee directed the Recreation Director to develop a policy for the boardroom and tv's usage and bring back to a future meeting for further discussion.

10. Dressing Room Policy:

Recreation Director indicated that after discussion with the RMAA that more work needs to be done on the Dressing Room Policy before its discussion at the committee level.

11. Adjournment: Mayor Trevor Hay adjourned the meeting at 6:44 pm.

Art Garrett, Chairman

Darcy Olson, CAO