



COMMITTEE REPORT

PARKS AND RECREATION

DATE: February 8, 2022

ATTENDEES: Councillor Holly Hyslop (Chair), Councillor Darren MacKenzie (Vice-Chair), Councillor Pat Septon, Emily Gregory, Sherri Johnston, Asst. Clerk/Treasurer and Dan Martin.

The Parks and Recreation Committee met on Tuesday, February 8th at 7 pm.

Mapping Vacant Land

- We will revisit this in the spring.

Multi Purpose Hard Surface

- Councillor Hyslop provided the following update:
Councillor Hyslop contacted 4 companies, 1 never responded, one said they didn't have the manpower and 2 said they would submit quotes by Feb. 15th. To date only one quote has been submitted. It is from TMC Contracting. Mr. Bernard of TMC provided the following recommendations:
 - Recommends the track around the multi purpose surface be 8 and not 6 feet. This makes it more accessible
 - Recommends the bridge for the swale be constructed using steel beams and wooden surface. Also suggests railings be constructed using metal posts but have a wooden top rail. This would prolong the life of the bridge.
 - Recommended a dry river bed the full length of the swale for drainage.
 - Recommended French drains in front of the vents for the septic to help with drainage. Notes that the septic is on bedrock so water is not able to percolate down causing it to just sit.
 - Recommends digging down 2 feet for the multi-purpose court and then filling with rock and 3 inches of asphalt. Paving companies have suggested digging down 12", filling with 10" of rock and then 2" of asphalt.

Councillor Hyslop sourced 2 paving quotes. (a third company can only provide a quote in the spring, and another never responded)

Councillor Hyslop sourced 2 fencing quotes. (a third never responded)



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Councillor Hyslop has requested that the quotes received be placed on the agenda under the closed session (as it pertains to financial information) at the next Council meeting

Community Planning

- Moonlight Hikes: Due to weather forecast of rain we will be cancelling the hike scheduled for February 12. Staff will post to social media and website.
- Family Day Scavenger Hunt: Staff will look at preparing a scavenger hunt to post to social media and website. All entries will be entered into a draw for a \$25 gift certificate from Scholten's.
- Hanwell Days: This will be brought up at admin session. We need to have a councillor head up the ad hoc committee for this.

Signage on the Trails

- Staff (Dan Martin) will order a second set of the trail signs in the current colours.

Slow Down Children Playing Signs

- Staff will remove the Parking sign (points to parking lot) on Nature Park Drive and replace it with the Slow Down Children Playing sign.

Signs for Play Structure

- The committee decided to order one sign to see if it is what they are looking for.

Site Plan Addition

- No new ideas were brought forward.

Chipper

- Waiting on assessment.

Participation Challenge

- Will be brought to the communication committee. They will prepare the information for website and social media.



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NCCP Level 1

- No one has shown interest in our call out in the Herald. Staff will do a poster for social media and the website. This should be shared by all council on their own pages as well as the Residents of Hanwell pages and the Upper Kingsclear Community Pages. Staff will ensure this is completed.

Upgrades to T-ball field, volleyball court, playground equipment

- Lisa Robichaud will provide her recommendations by March. The T-Ball field will need some attention once the snow melts and it dries up. The shed may need some minor repairs.

Dementia Friendly Possibilities

- Councillor Hyslop reached out to Samantha Hachey and she provided Councillor Hyslop with some information. Importance of proper lighting and friendly use of signage (signage overload can be very confusing for individuals suffering from dementia). Ms. Hachey also sent contact information for a recourse in BC. Councillor Hyslop contacted them and is waiting to hear back on dementia initiatives as it pertains to Parks and Recreation.

Warming Shed:

- Councillor MacKenzie provided a concept for the warming shed and attached space. Contractors won't even consider providing quotes without a concept. Councillor MacKenzie will be bringing his concept to the admin session.

Business Arising

- Upgrade to Rec Park Trails – Councillor Hyslop will contact a few contractors to get quotes on upgrading outer loops. Issues of concern are muddy areas and trip hazards.

Building Maintenance Officer Report

- Dan Martin built a sliding hill behind the building. The kids using it really seem to enjoy it.

Next meeting will be March 8 at 7:00pm.



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Meeting Adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Sherri Johnston (Assistant Clerk-Treasurer)