

Wellness Centre & Pool Citizens Advisory Committee

MINUTES

Date: Monday, December 9, 2019

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Location: Bobby Orr Community Centre Hall, 7 Mary Street, Parry Sound

Members Present: Joan Conn, Richard Culverwell, Larry Fleetham, Dave Fullerton, Bob Griffiths, Ron Harrison, Mac Kirk, Dana Labrie, Cathy Lamb, Tom Lundy, Sarah Mahon, Ryan Purdy

Members Regrets/Absence: Chuck Baker, Glen Barnden, Becky Pollock

Other Attendance: None

1. Agenda Additions and Approval

Chair called for any additions to the agenda. None raised.

Moved by Dave Fullerton, seconded by Mac Kirk, that the agenda for the meeting Monday, December 9, 2019 be approved as circulated.

2. Approval of Minutes

Chair called for approval of the minutes from last meeting.

Moved by Bob Griffiths, seconded by Ryan Purdy, that the minutes for the meeting November 27, 2019 be approved as circulated.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest

None disclosed.

4. Nominations and Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

Tom Lundy nominated for Chair by Dave Fullerton, seconded by Joan Conn. No objections. Motion carried.

Ryan Purdy nominated for Vice-Chair by Dave Fullerton, seconded by Bob Griffiths. No objections. Motion carried.

5. Municipality of McDougall Offer of Support

The Municipality of McDougall has offered use of its Council Chamber for future meetings, (Mondays or Tuesdays, 4:00 to 6:00 P.M.) The clerk for McDougall, Lori West, has volunteered to serve as Recording Secretary.

Moved by Sarah Mahon, seconded by Larry Fleetham, that future meetings of the Community Advisory Committee will be held at the McDougall Council Chamber with Lori West serving as Recording Secretary. Dates to be determined. Motion carried.

6. Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Priorities

After the last meeting, the word “sauna” was removed from page 5 of PowerPoint presentation. The feature was considered unnecessary by committee. Information was provided during this meeting regarding how extra revenue is generated with “steam rooms/saunas”. Suggested that we leave the matter of the “sauna” alone and refer the matter to the Steering Committee. Moved by Bob Griffiths, seconded by Dave Fullerton. Motion carried.

Clarification of the purpose of the CAC was done by reviewing the Terms of Reference. Noted that funding of the suggestions brought forward not the objective of the committee. The Steering Committee will address funding concerns. Additionally, concerns about site selection are also beyond the scope of this committee.

To optimize use and success, it was recommended that the facility include a pool, conditioning room, gym, and space to rent (multi-purpose rooms).

Committee will use a “living document” of priorities and their respective rationales that will be submitted once finalized – **referred to Tom Lundy**

Top Priority → 6-lane, 25m, competitive pool

- Brought forward by the most committee members during a survey done following the last meeting

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- Concerns raised regarding support; YMCA's support for more than 4 lanes, ability for the Parry Sound area to financially maintain a facility with more than 4 lanes
 - Additional lane costs approx. \$300 000 for construction alone
 - YMCA experience has found that 4-lanes vs. 6-lanes makes very little difference to the recreational members
 - Noted that Henvey Inlet is building a full-size, 6-lane, 50m, Olympic pool and recreation centre which may impact the number of members from the northern part of the area
- 6-lane competitive-style pool will allow area to host swimming competitions
 - Noted that Dana, Joan, Mac, and Richard have backgrounds in competitive swimming for future discussions regarding making the pool suitable for training and competitions
- 6-lanes (whether competitive or leisure) will provide more versatility such as:
 - Larger shallow end for water aerobic-type classes
 - Ability to have many different activities occurring simultaneously
 - Scuba diving certification
 - Water rescue certification (for Fire Dept.)
- Accessibility to the pool should be addressed in committee's feedback
 - Ramp v. chair lift at pool edge
- Bradford Wellness Centre (BWC) suggested an example of a 25m, 6-lane pool with competitive blocks on deep end and an infinity design in shallow end

Priority #2 → Reception area with snack bar

- Snack bars are only really used in facilities with arenas

- Most facilities only open snack bar when the arena is open due to lack of demand from those using the conditioning rooms, gym, and pool
- Recommended that the Parry Sound facility include a “common area with vending machines” instead of a snack bar

7. Public Consultation Meetings

Suggested that a few meetings be held in various municipalities to allow public input for the list of priorities being brought forward by the CAC.

Proposed locations for meetings:

- Carling – ***referred to Richard Culverwell***
- Parry Sound (BOCC) – ***referred to Ron Harrison***
- Humphrey – ***referred to Sarah Mahon***
- First Nations – ***to be discussed with Chuck Baker***
- Pointe au Baril – ***referred to Tom Lundy***
- McKellar – ***referred to Ron Harrison***
- Add other locations as needed

Focus and Goals of meetings:

- Desired concepts and program recommendations from the public/rate payers
- Have as many CAC members as possible at each meeting to ensure a consistent message and provide support to each other
- Give presentation of “This Is Where We Are At”
- Use a large board to collect data
 - Attendees would place stickers next to their top priorities

- Suggestions of priorities on board based on programs offered in YMCAs and from other recreational facilities – ***referred to Tom Lundy and Ryan Purdy***
- Also include a board titled “What Did We Miss?” for further input
- Do not include members of the Steering Committee to avoid meetings focusing on funding/finances

8. Other Business

None raised.

9. Next Meeting

Suggested that a consistent date every month be picked for meetings. The second Monday of each month appears to be best but will be confirmed at each meeting.

Next meeting: January 13th, 2020; 4:00 to 6:00 P.M.; McDougall Council Chamber

10. Motion to Adjourn

Moved by Ron Harrison, seconded by Richard Culverwell, that the meeting be adjourned at 5.57pm. Motion carried.