

LACOMBE AND DISTRICT RECREATION, PARKS AND CULTURE BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 5 p.m.

Present: Ashley Morrison, County Representative
Jonathon Jacobson, City Councillor
Dani Ducross, City Representative
Teresa Johnson, City Representative
Diana Wiebe, City Representative
Kirstin Bouwsema, *County Representative*
Ameerah Geisbrecht, Student Representative
Sandi Stewart, Recreation and Culture Manager
Sonya Beauclair, Recreation & Culture Assistant

Regrets: Emma Vockeroth, City Representative
Paula Law, Reeve, County Councillor

Guests: Carlene Wagner – Senior Services Coordinator FCSS
Susan MacDonald – Executive Director FCSS
Don Derowin – Bike Skills Park Group
Corey Gish – Bike Skills Park Group
Lewis Rice – Bike Skills Park Group

1. Call to order/Introductions

Sandi called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Went around the table and everyone introduced themselves and shared a little of their background

2. Additions to / Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Kirstin Bouwsema that the agenda for February 11, 2020 be adopted as presented

CARRIED *unanimously*

3. Adoption of November 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Moved by Diana Wiebe that the minutes of the November 19, 2019 meeting of the Lacombe and District Recreation, Parks and Culture Board be approved as presented

CARRIED

Teresa Johnson, Ashley Morrison, Dani Ducross Abstained

4. Presentations/Correspondence

Opening Minds through Art

- Susan and Carlene from FCSS thanked the Board for the Recreation and Culture Grant they received in 2019 for the program. They explained what the program did and gifted the Board one of the pieces of art from the program. They raised about \$2500 from their art sale to help sustain the program.
- In 2014 they were gifted \$2500 from the Recreation and Culture Grant for the Program Admissions Sport Subsidy (PASS) program which has been sustained by annual donations of \$2500.
- The Facility Rental Assistance Grant helped fund the Backyard Friends Supper for 7 years and they are now included in the Facility Use Fee Waiver Roster and are very grateful.

Bike Skills Park

- Customers of Red's Sports have expressed interested in a bike park so Red's has initiated development of a Bike Park in Lacombe
- See attached presentation

Jonathan arrived at 5:33 p.m.

- Corey Gish is developing the Lacombe Community Projects Society so that groups in the future don't have to keep creating new societies for various projects.
- They are wanting to build a beginner to intermediate bike facility which would complement the more advanced park in Blackfalds.
- Lewis has been to the Blackfalds bike park and met youth from a number of surrounding communities. He has travel to Whistler, Penticton and other areas to use similar facilities.
- The Board questioned how the hotels in the area feel about the bike park? The committee will consult with them on the project.
- Burmans Outdoor Pursuits might be another user and the committee will reach out to them.
- There will have to be some courtesies for the various users, walkers and bikers sharing the trail.
- The Board wondered if there is drainage in place to help prevent flooding and if there is a possibility of reusing the water on the tracks for dust control.

Ammerah left at 5:40 p.m.

Orientation

- Sandi reviewed the new orientation package highlighting the definition of recreation, supporting documents provided to the Board (Recreation and Culture Master Plan, Procedural Bylaw 370, etc.) and other important information. Sandi explained what a conflict of interest is and let the Board members know it is up to them to self-regulate and excuse themselves from that portion of the meeting.

5. Election of Officers

5.0 Chairperson

Sandi called for nominations for chairperson.

Jonathan Jacobson nominated Kirstin Bouwsema

Kirstin Bouwsema accept the nomination

Sandi made a second call for nominations for chairperson. Hearing none

Kirstin Bouwsema is acclaimed Chairperson for the 2020 year

5.1 Vice Chairperson

Sandi called for nominations for vice chairperson

Jonathan Jacobson nominated Emma Vockeroth

Emma Vockeroth had let Sandi know that she would accept the nomination

Sandi made a second call for nominations for vice chairperson. Hearing none

Emma Vockeroth is acclaimed Vice Chairperson for the 2020 year

6. Ongoing Business

Jonathan left meeting at 6:17 p.m. and returned at 6:21 p.m.

Diana left at 6:22 p.m.

6.0 Facility Rental Assistance Grant (\$6000)

- There is \$6,000 to be used for the 2020 year.

6.0.1 FCSS Family Day Weekend Event

Moved by Jonathan that the Board approve the request from FCSS in the amount of \$411 for their Family Day Weekend Event

CARRIED unanimously

6.0.2 FCSS 50th Anniversary Community Open House

Moved by Kirstin Bouwsema that the Board approve the request from FCSS in the amount of \$723 for their Anniversary Community Open House event.

CARRIED unanimously

6.0.3 Rotary Club Bites and Bevies

Moved by Jonathan Jacobson that the Board approve the request from Rotary Club of Lacombe Daybreak in the amount of \$639 for their Bites and Bevies Event.

CARRIED unanimously

6.1 Recreation and Culture Grant

- Sandi reviewed the final reports from Opening Minds Through Art, Begging for Beginners, and Youth Athletic Development Series. for the Board

Moved by Jonathan Jacobson that the Board accept the Recreation and Culture Grant Final Reports as information

CARRIED unanimously

7. New Business

Bike Skills Park

- The Board really liked the idea of the Bike Skills Park.
- The Board was concerned about the water and drainage in the area. Standing water increases mosquito population.

Moved by Jonathan Jacobson that the Board recommend to Council to support in principle redevelopment of the Michener Bowl Park as a Bike Skills Park, and direct Administration work with the group to develop the concept further and return the matter to the Lacombe & District Recreation, Parks and Culture Board with additional information.

CARRIED Unanimously

8. Information

8.0 Recreation Service Monthly Report

- Sandi reviewed some of the highlights from the report.

8.1 Trails Update

- Westview Trail and Elizabeth Lake trail improvements have been budgeted for 2020.

8.2 Kinsmen Aquatic Centre 2019 Final Stats

- These are the final 2019 stats

Moved by Kirstin that the Board accept the reports as information

CARRIED *unanimously*

8.3 Other/Round Table

- CLLLA is doing a psychological first aid course through Red Cross

9. Next Meeting

Monday, March 16, 2020 5 p.m., City Hall Conference Room

10. Adjournment

Moved by Kirstin B to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.