

**The Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays
Parks, Recreation & Trails Committee Meeting Minutes – September 23rd, 2009
Minutes**

There was a regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Trails Advisory Committee held at 4:00 p.m., on September 23rd, 2009 in the Council Chambers of the Township of Lake of Bays Municipal Office, Dwight, Ontario.

Attendance

Chair	Margaret Casey
Co-Chair / Councillor	Ben Boivin (<i>left at 6:10 p.m.</i>)
Members of Committee	Patricia Doyle
	Shane Baker
	Earle Northover
	Stella Neilson
	Linda Keown (<i>arrived at 4:20 p.m.</i>)
Public Works Supervisor (Facilities)	Morris Bryant
CAO/Treasurer	Don Chevalier
Deputy Clerk	Carrie Sykes

Regrets

Mayor	Janet Peake
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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. on September 23rd, 2009 by Chair Margaret Casey.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #2/09/23/09

Stella Neilson and Earle Northover

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee Agenda dated September 23rd, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Nil

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution #4(a)/09/23/09

Stella Neilson and Earle Northover

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee Minutes dated July 8th, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. DELEGATIONS

- a) 4:15 p.m. Herb Hickling, President
Paint Lake Ratepayer's Association
Re: Paint Lake Boat Launch & Covered Bridge

Mr. Hickling spoke to the committee about the concerns the Paint Lake Ratepayer's Association has with respect to the present condition of the Paint Lake Boat Launch and requested that the necessary repairs be considered for inclusion in the 2010 budget.

In addition, Mr. Hickling notified the committee that the Paint Lake Covered Bridge also required structural repairs and requested that they too be considered for inclusion in the 2010 budget.

Committee advised Mr. Hickling they supported his request but would first require more information on the estimated costs of completing the required repairs.

Resolution #5(a)/09/23/09

Ben Boivin and Earle Northover

WHEREAS the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee has received the concerns of the Paint Lake Ratepayer's Association with respect to the Paint Lake boat launch and the covered bridge (parkette).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee hereby directs staff to bring forward a report on the estimated costs of completed the required repairs.

- a) 4:30 p.m. **Carried**
Brad Johnson & Melissa Alfano
Dorset Park Committee
Re: Dorset Park

Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Alfano provided committee with an update on the improvements to Dorset Park and indicated that the engineering company preparing the feasibility study has suggested that preliminary soil testing be conducted. It was noted that the results of the soil testing could help determine what surface type will be supported by the land.

Committee requested Mrs. Alfano to provide a copy of the quote for our records.

Resolution #5(b)/09/23/09

Stella Neilson and Patricia Doyle

WHEREAS the Dorset Park Committee wishes to develop a concept with respect to proposed improvements to the existing skating rink located on Concession A, Lot 30, Ridout Ward, in the Township of Lake of Bays and requires testing of the soil;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Table "B" of the Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Algonquin Highlands, any expenditure towards the capital improvements of these facilities must receive approval from both the Township of Lake of Bays and the Township of Algonquin Highlands;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby recommends that Council support the capital expenditure to be allocated from the Dorset Rink Reserve account for the cost of the required soil testing.

Carried

6. REPORTS

- (a) Miscellaneous**

- (i) Report re: Volunteer Recognition Policy

Resolution #6(a)(i)/09/23/09

Stella Neilson and Earle Northover

WHEREAS volunteer involvement is vital in strengthening our communities. It fosters civic responsibility, participation and interaction, It promotes change and development by identifying and responding to community needs.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays recommends to Council that the attached Volunteer Appreciation Policy be implemented as a means of recognizing our dedicated community volunteers and organizations for their outstanding contributions within the municipality on an annual basis.

Carried

- (ii) Report re: Application for Request of Municipally owned Land/Buildings (Friends of the Dwight Library – The Community Book Nook)

Resolution #6(a)(ii)/09/23/09

Stella Neilson and Earle Northover

WHEREAS the Parks, Recreation & Trails Advisory Committee receives the staff report “Application for Request of Municipally owned Land/Buildings (Friends of the Dwight Library – The Community Book Nook)”, dated September 23rd, 2009 for use of lands adjacent to the Dwight Library.

AND WHEREAS the Community Book Nook project will require no municipal funding and will promote cultural and literacy appreciation in the community of Dwight.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby recommends to Council that the request for use of municipally owned lands adjacent to the Dwight Library for the development of the Community Book Nook project be approved.

Carried

(ii) Report re: 911 Civic Addressing Update

Resolution #6(a)(iii)/09/23/09

Patricia Doyle and Shane Baker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee receives the staff report, "911 Civic Addressing Update", dated September 23rd, 2009.

Carried.

(b) Recreation

Nil

(c) Trails

Nil

(d) Parks

Nil

(e) Facilities

Nil

(f) Water Access Points

(i) Resolution #6(f)(i)/09/23/09

Shane Baker and Patricia Doyle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays recommends to Council that the attached draft water access point signage policy be implemented for all public waterfront access within the municipality.

Carried

7. DISCUSSIONS

(a) Discussion re: Newly Installed Water Access Point Signage

The Supervisor of Parks & Facilities reported that new signs had been installed at Rabbits Bay, South Portage, Hillside, Norway and Glenmount water access points.

Committee directed staff to maintain sign size relative to the size of the water access point. (e.g. smaller access points won't require large 4' x 8' signs).

(b) Discussion re: Norway Point Parking and Docking

Chair Casey advised committee that Council has initiated a task force to investigate and develop potential solutions to the current parking and docking issues at this site.

A future public meeting will be held to obtain public input.

(b) Discussion re: Baysville Kitchen Renovation Update

The Supervisor of Parks and Facilities advised committee that the renovations to the Lake of Bays Community Centre kitchen have begun but are behind schedule for completion.

(c) Discussion re: Chimney Park

The Supervisor of Parks and Facilities advised committee that the repairs to Chimney Park and the installation of stairs are well underway.

(d) Discussion re: G8 Community Projects

Chair Casey advised committee that a number of community groups received approval for funding. The Baysville Riverfront Group for their bandstand and public washrooms project proposal; the Baysville Horticultural Society for their historical signs project proposal and the Baysville Community Group for their landscaping and streetscaping project proposal.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Katie Tyler Pellerin, Regional Trails Coordinator, Muskoka Trails Council, re: Trails Passport – Fall 2009.

Resolution #9(a)/09/23/09

Patricia Doyle and Shane Baker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays receives correspondence from Katie Tyler Pellerin, Regional Trails Coordinator, Muskoka Trails Council, re: Trails Passport – Fall 2009.

Carried

The Parks, Recreation & Trails Advisory Committee agreed to participate in the Trails Passport and the Chair is to reply to the Muskoka Trails Council.

- (b) Randy McNaught, President, Paint Lake Ratepayer's Association, re: Paint Lake Municipal Boat Launch.

Resolution #9(b)/09/23/09

Patricia Doyle and Shane Baker

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays receives correspondence from Randy McNaught, President, Paint Lake Ratepayer's Association, re: Paint Lake Municipal Boat Launch.

Carried

- (c) Muskoka Trails Council, re: Near North Look at Active Transportation Event, October 15th, 2009 at Kirrie Glen Golf Course, Muskoka.

Resolution #9(c)/09/23/09

Ben Boivin and Stella Neilson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays receives correspondence from Muskoka Trails Council, re: Near North Look at Active

Transportation Event, October 15th, 2009 at Kirrie Glen Golf Course, Muskoka.

Carried

- (d) Ken Prentice, Dundee Wealth Management, re: Creation of a “smoke free” public beach.

Resolution #9(d)/09/23/09

Stella Neilson and Patricia Doyle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays receives correspondence from Ken Prentice, Dundee Wealth Management, re: Creation of a “smoke free” public beach.

Carried

10. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution#10/09/23/09

Shane Baker and Stella Neilson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays adjourn at 6:17 p.m. to meet again on October 21st, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Dwight Municipal Office, Dwight, Ontario.

Carried.

Chair

Clerk