

**The Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays
Parks, Recreation & Trails Committee Meeting Minutes – May 5th, 2010
Minutes**

There was a regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Trails Advisory Committee held at 4:00 p.m., on May 5th, 2010 in the Council Chambers of the Township of Lake of Bays Municipal Office, Dwight, Ontario.

Attendance

Chair	Margaret Casey
Co-Chair / Councillor	Ben Boivin
Members of Committee	Patricia Doyle Shane Baker
Supervisor of Parks & Facilities	Morris Bryant (<i>left at 6:15 p.m.</i>)
Deputy Clerk	Carrie Sykes

Regrets

Mayor	Janet Peake Linda Keown Stella Neilson Earle Northover
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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. on May 5th, 2010 by Chair Margaret Casey.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #2/05/05/10

Shane Baker and Patricia Doyle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee Agenda dated May 5th, 2010 be adopted as amended.

Agenda to be amended as follows:

Additions

7. DISCUSSIONS

- (ii) Discussion re: Highway 60 Class Environmental Assessment Handout

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**(a) Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
– April 7th, 2010.**

Carried

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Nil

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nil

5. DELEGATIONS

Nil

6. REPORTS

(a) Miscellaneous

**(i) Report re: Revised Date and Time for 2010 Lake of Bays
Mayor's Walk**

Resolution #6(a)(i)/05/05/10

Shane Baker and Patricia Doyle

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails
Advisory Committee hereby receives the Chair's report "Revised
Date and time for 2010 Lake of Bays Mayor's Walk", dated May
5th, 2010; and**

**FURTHER THAT the Mayor's Walk has been rescheduled to
Tuesday, May 25th, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at the Paint Lake Covered
Bridge Walking Trail and all public are invited to attend.**

Carried

(b) Recreation

Nil

(c) Trails

(i) Report re: Trail Signs

Committee members reviewed the trailhead sign trail descriptions and made the following amendments:

- Baysville Historic Walking Trail – Lake of Bays Community (should read Lake of Bays Community Centre)
- Ronville Hiking Trail – omit “follows the shoreline road allowance and”

Resolution #6(c)(i)/05/05/10

Shane Baker and Patricia Doyle

WHEREAS the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby receives staff report “Trail Signs”, dated April 26th, 2010; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee direct staff to order and install the trailhead signs reflective of the trail descriptions as amended on page 2 of this report and to acquire and arrange for installation of the brown public service announcement trail signs on the adjacent District Roads or provincial highway for all 7 township trails as per the January 6th, 2010 report, “Map Clip Update and Installation of remaining Signage.”

Carried

(d) Parks

Nil

(e) Facilities

(i) Report re: Dwight Rink Repairs

Chair Casey advised committee that staff was awaiting a draft Shared Users Agreement from the Trillium Lakeland District School Board for the capital and operational costs and maintenance of the Dwight rink.

Concerns were raised over who would be responsible for the winter maintenance if the municipality did spend \$28,000 to make the necessary repairs to the facility.

Resolution #6(e)(i)/05/05/10

Shane Baker and Councillor Boivin

WHEREAS the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby receives the staff report “Dwight Rink Repairs”, dated April 26th, 2010; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee recommend that Council approve the upgrades for the Dwight rink from the Parks Reserve Fund for approximately \$28,000 subject to a written winter maintenance agreement to be signed by all parties (i.e. snow removal and flooding).

Carried

(f) Water Access Points

(i) Report re: Rabbits Bay

Councillor Boivin provided committee with an update on the progress of the Andrew Daniels Fish Stewardship Group and the rehabilitation of the stream located at Rabbits Bay.

The following was also noted:

- Study conducted by the Ministry of Natural Resources has shown an increase in fish spawning this year over last year;
- Department of Fisheries and Oceans have approved the project subject to the installation of armour rock beside the big dock to prevent shoreline erosion and to strengthen the barging area.
- Volunteer group will be working over the long weekend in May – all interested parties are welcome to participate.
- Status of the transfer of land from Harry Edgar – if held up, why.

Resolution #6(f)(i)/05/05/10

Councillor Boivin and Shane Baker

WHEREAS the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby receives the staff report “Rabbits Bay Landing Rehabilitation”, dated April 26th, 2010 on the rehabilitation of the stream located near the municipal dock and boat landing known as Rabbits Bay Landing; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee recommend to Council that this project be approved with funding from Bigwin Fish Fund and the approved 2010 budget allocation of \$5,000.

Carried

7. DISCUSSIONS

(a) Miscellaneous

(i) Discussion re: Review of Progress on 2010 Work Plan

Discussion was held regarding the progress of the 2010 Work Plan and the items still outstanding.

The following items were noted:

• Parks:

- Dwight Beach increase in boat docking – Dwight Improvement Group Community Plan meeting on May 11th at 7p.m. at the Township Office (*In progress*);

• Water Access Points:

- Installation of appropriate signage – Chair to report on progress at July meeting (*In progress*);
- Norway Point – Norway Point Advisory Committee resolving parking and docking conflicts – amendments to parks By-law as per Council decision (*In progress*);
- Rabbits Bay – Rehabilitation in progress – Councillor Boivin to report on progress at July meeting (*In progress*);
- Tasso Bridge and Toad Lake – investigate municipal ownership opportunities through MNR – staff to report on progress at July meeting (*In progress*);
- Relocation of Bella Rebecca access – Councillor Boivin to report on progress at July meeting (*In progress*);

Trails:

- Implementation of trail signage – Chair to report on progress at July meeting (*In progress*);
- Black Lake canoe route – Land Use Permit assigned (*Completed*);

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- Active Transportation trail in Baysville – Chair to report on progress at July meeting (*In progress*);
- Review of Trails By-law – Chair to report on at August meeting (*To be Initiated*);

Facilities:

- Dorset Park Upgrade – update to joint request for quotation between Algonquin Highlands and Lake of Bays for upgrades to the Dorset rink – Chair to report on status at July meeting (*In progress*);
- Dwight Rink Improvements – awaiting agreement from school board – Chair to report on status at July meeting (*In progress*);

General:

- Ironman Triathlon – require volunteer assistance for 2010;
- Volunteer Appreciation Reception – staff to report on status at September meeting (*To be Initiated*);
- G8 Projects in Baysville (*In progress*).

(ii) Discussion re: Highway 60 Class Environmental Assessment

Chair Casey and Councillor Boivin provided committee with an overview and handout of a presentation held at District Council from Ministry of Transportation with respect to the proposed improvements to Highway 60.

Committee members were advised that a public consultation meeting was to be held on May 13th from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at Hidden Valley. Comments are to be emailed to the Municipal Planner, Stefan Szczerbak.

(b) Recreation

Nil

(c) Trails

(i) Discussion re: Muskoka Trails Council

- Discover Muskoka's Natural Playground
- Trillium Funding Announcement

Discussion was held with respect to the Muskoka Trails Council press release and upcoming funding announcement. A copy of the "Take the Trail Challenge – Trail Passport" was distributed to everyone.

(ii) Discussion re: Installation of Trail Markers

Chair Casey advised that 2,000 trail markers had been ordered.

Committee member, Shane Baker will install the necessary trail markers along the Dwight Beach trail and Chair Casey will install the necessary trail markers along the Paint Lake trail next week.

(d) Parks

Nil

(e) Facilities

(i) Discussion re: Donation of Fitness Equipment for the Baysville Community Centre

Committee members discussed the donation of fitness equipment

Staff noted supervision concerns (proper use of equipment and if someone needed immediate assistance) and anticipated the need for a camera to monitor the weight room.

The Supervisor of Parks and Facilities will work with the Lions Club in the purchase of equipment.

(f) Water Access Points

(i) Discussion re: Andrew Daniels Fish Stewardship Program – Rabbits Bay

Discussion held under agenda item #6 Reports, (f) Water Access Points, (i) Rabbits Bay.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a). Minutes re: Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – April 7th, 2010.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

10. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution#10/05/05/10

Councillor Boivin and Patricia Doyle

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Committee of the Township of Lake of Bays adjourn at 6:18 p.m. to meet again on July 7th, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Dwight Municipal Office, Dwight, Ontario.

Carried.

Chair

Clerk