



MINUTES
MANSFIELD PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
February 27, 2024 6:00 PM

Present: Emerson Pendleton, Chair
Gavin Longmuir
Mandy Little
Andrew Cunningham
Krista Harley – Thomson Trail Ice Rink Volunteer
Roseann Knechtel – Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE SECRETARY

The Secretary called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIR

Moved by Longmuir and Seconded by Little

THAT Emerson Pendleton be appointed Chair of the Mansfield Parks Committee for the year 2024.

CARRIED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Longmuir and Seconded by Little

THAT the agenda be approved.

CARRIED.

4. PREVIOUS MEETINGS MINUTES

Moved by Longmuir and Seconded by Little

THAT the minutes of August 30, 2023 be approved.

CARRIED.

5. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS - NONE

6. ADMINISTRATION

6.1 Thomson Trail Park

Ice Rink: Krista Harley updated members on the 2023-2024 ice rink season, noting challenging weather and approximately 1 month worth of usage to date.

Members discussed the recent improvements of the new shovels, puck boards and hot water system for flooding. Future improvements were discussed including the purchase of a new hockey net, relocation of signage, repainting the back board, replacing the lock box, and possible installation of netting.

The rink continues to remain a hit in the community. The Committee thanked Krista and the volunteers for all of their hard work.

Parking Lot (Verbal Update): The Secretary provided a verbal update that the development of a parking lot at Thomson Trail has been temporarily put on hold pending the southern subdivision application.

Spring Maintenance: Item deferred. To be discussed at the next meeting with the Director of Infrastructure.

Other – None

6.2 Mansfield Community Park

Spring Maintenance: Members requested another order clay supply to be kept at the diamond for the upcoming season and that netting be installed on batting cage by end of April. Further maintenance is to be discussed at the next meeting with the Director of Infrastructure.

Andrew Cunningham arrived at 6:32 p.m.

Spring Community Baseball Tournament: Members discussed the organization of a 2024 Community Baseball Tournament, noting the following:

- Date: June 29th with rain out of June 30th to bring back the historic Dominion Day tournament.
- Number of Teams: 5 team round robin with no finals.
- Umpires: Volunteers.
- Rules and Regulations – Sponge ball. Additional rules and regulations to be considered at a future date.
- Price for Entry - \$200 per team. No cash prizes.
- Food and Drink – Mansfield Minor Ball to run the canteen/food, 50/50 draw, and will look into Smart Serves to run the bar. The Township will assist with securing the liquor licence.
- Profits: All funds to go towards supporting Mansfield Minor Ball.

2024 User Fees: Members reviewed the existing rate schedule and requested fees remain the same.

Other: The Secretary provided an update on the AED system being installed at the Mansfield Community Park and the Honeywood Baseball Diamond Grant Application submitted through Jays Care Field of Dreams.

6.3 Maes Cres Park

Item deferred. To be discussed at the next meeting with the Director of Infrastructure.

6.4 2023 Annual Reporting

Members reviewed the annual report to be submitted to Council.

7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

7.1 Spring Maintenance

7.2 Baseball Tournament

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Pendleton and Seconded by Longmuir

THAT the Committee adjourns the meeting at 7:05 p.m. to meet again on March 19, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at the Mansfield Community Park, or at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED.