

**TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS**  
**PARKS, RECREATION & WELLNESS AGENDA**  
**Wednesday, October 28, 2019 – Park Centre**

- 1 Open meeting
- 2 Approval of Agenda
- 3 Disclosure of pecuniary interest
- 4 Adoption of Minutes September 23, 2019 meeting
- 5 Delegation
- 6 Council Update Report
- 7 Old Business
  - (a) Outdoor rink policy re Council approval
  - (b) Euchre funds recommendations
  - (c) Garbage cans at Smelt bridge recommendation to Council
  - (d) Site visit to Carter property re usage possibilities
- 8 New Business/Round Table discussion Asset management
  - (a) Land and recreational infrastructure (provided to members via email following September 23 meeting)
  - (b) tree planting
  - (c) community garden
- 9 Correspondence
- 10 Information
- 11 Recommendations to Council
- 12 Adjournment until next meeting Monday, November 25, 2019

Parks, Recreation and Wellness  
Committee Meeting  
September 23, 2019

PRESENT: Sharon Alkenbrack, Nora Bath-Haring, Sharon Jackson (Chair), Diane Larocque, Kathy McDonald (staff) and Shannon Smith

- 1) Open  
The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Sharon Jackson.
- 2) Approval of the Agenda  
Shannon asked to have Smelt Season garbage cans added to the agenda  
Motion by Sharon Alkenbrack, seconded by Shannon Smith  
That the agenda for the September 23, 2019 meeting be accepted as presented.  
Carried
- 4) Adoption of Minutes  
Motion by Nora Bath-Haring, seconded by Sharon Alkenbrack  
That the minutes of the August 26, 2019 be accepted as presented.  
Carried
- 5) Code of Conduct  
Sharon Jackson discussed the Code of Conduct and asked everyone who had not signed the form to complete it and return it to Kathy.
- 6) Old Business
  - a) Outdoor Rink Policy. The committee discussed the outdoor rink policy and the code of conduct for the rink. It was decided to have one code of conduct for the rink area.  
Motion by Shannon Smith, seconded by Nora Bath-Haring  
That the volunteer outdoor Rink Policy and the Code of Conduct be accepted for approval for Council.  
Carried
  - b) Rink Usage for 2019-2022 season re maintenance & volunteers. We can put up signs looking for volunteers. Sharon Alkenbrack will contact the fire department.
  - c) Fitness Centre snow removal/sanding possibilities. Brad MacKay will shovel the snow and sand as long as the township's insurance will cover him. Currently the insurance company has added him to the policy.
  - d) Swim program (local) user stats. There were 31 children receiving lessons, of which 10 were local.
  - e) Baseball/soccer field funding opportunities. Sharon Alkenbrack talked to Bill about locating a ball diamond at the top of Graham Hill. The lot would have to be leveled, rocks picked and fencing. If it is flat rock fencing will be difficult. Fill would have to be hauled in, and a road and parking area developed. The best place for the ball diamond is the location where the dog park is currently. If the ball field is located at the dog park a new location will need to be found for

the dog park. Discussion regarding how often the dog park is used. Nora said that there are a lot of people going to Sandy Beach that are afraid of dogs. It was suggested that a sign in sheet be put up at the dog park to get numbers from now until December.  
Discussion regarding funding for soccer field at the top of the hill.

-Sharon A, Sharon J and Shannon are to visit the site on Sunday.

#### 7. New Business

a) Parks Recreational infrastructure (re asset management). Sharon will send the committee a list of the assets.

b) Recreation refer to Old Business item (d). No discussion, discussed earlier in meeting

c) Wellness potential partnership opportunity with EDC re Seniors Forum – Seniors Forum will be held on November 24, 2019. It will be a general sit-down discussion. The committee will support it.

d) Wellness Public Health Letter re: Parity of Esteem. Discussion

e) Funds Collected – input from members of Billings Township. Discussion regarding what to use the funds from the euchre tournaments for. Sharon Jackson is not sure how much money has been made. Suggested items for purchase for the park centre include

- a baby change table
- more tables for upstairs
- coat hangers

f) Smelt Season Garbage Cans. Shannon requested that garbage cans be put up down by the river for smelt season. Garbage cans are not put near the river during smelt fishing because when they are placed by the river they are thrown into the river. Discussion regarding putting one of the wooden ones down by the river for smelt season as they are heavy. Shannon said she would empty the garbage can every day.

8. Council Update – Sharon Jackson brought everyone up to date regarding Council.

9. Business Arising – Action Items. Previously discussed during the meeting.

10. Adjourned. Meeting adjourned on a motion by Nora Bath-Haring at 8:35 p.m. Next meetings Are Monday, October 28 and Monday November 25.