Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Council Chambers Pembroke, Ontario October 15, 2024 6:05 p.m.

Note: Due to technical difficulties, the meeting was recorded only. The livestream connection for the YouTube platform was unavailable from approximately 6:05 p.m. - 6:20 p.m. At 6:20 p.m. the livestreaming capability was restored.

1. Land Acknowledgement

2. Call to Order

Present: Councillor Lafreniere, Chair Mayor Gervais Deputy Mayor Abdallah Councillor Jacyno Councillor Kuehl Councillor Plummer Councillor Purcell

Also Present:

David Unrau, Chief Administrative Officer Victoria Charbonneau, Municipal Clerk Jordan Durocher, Director of Parks and Recreation

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interests disclosed.

4. Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah Seconded by Councillor Plummer That the agenda of the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting of October 15, 2024, be approved as amended. **Carried**

5. Approval of Minutes

• Parks & Recreation Committee – September 17, 2024

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the minutes of the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting of September 17, 2024, be approved.

Carried

6. Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

7. Presentations/Delegations

a. Pembroke Pickleball Presentation Introduction

Mr. Durocher introduced Sandra Keon and Donna Stokell, members of the Pembroke Pickleball Club were in attendance to make a presentation to Committee regarding the Pembroke Pickleball Club.

8. New Business

a. Integrity Commissioner Contract Extension

Clerk Charbonneau presented the report. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

- The absence of an annual report from the Integrity Commissioner and some potential conflicting information within the current Code were noted
- Additional comments regarding the process for Code of Conduct complaints and need for consistency across the province were made
- Clarification was made regarding timeline of a new code of conduct by the CAO. Should committee direct staff to enter into the bid process to obtain Integrity Commissioner services, a code of conduct would be drafted under the Integrity Commissioner for Council approval.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the Committee recommend Council to direct staff to go out for competitive bid for Integrity Commissioner Services

Furthermore, that Council direct staff to work with newly appointed Integrity Commissioner to draft a revised Code of Conduct that focuses on matters provided under the Municipal Act, egregious behaviours on parts of Council and Committee while respecting the taxpayer and to prevent the use of code of conduct to be used as a political weapon.

Councillor Jacyno called for a recorded vote.

Yea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors, Kuehl, Plummer, Purcell Nea: Councillors: Jacyno, Lafreniere, Mayor Gervais **Carried 4:3**

9. Adjournment

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the October 15, 2024, meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee adjourn at 6:55 p.m. **Carried**