



**The Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Minutes**

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

4:30 pm

Video Conference

Meetings may be viewed live on the City's Youtube channel
<https://www.youtube.com/user/SaultSteMarieOntario>

Present: D. Greenwood, J. Flood, M. Kontulainen, T. McClelland, P.
McDonald, Brenna Tomas, Graham Young
Absent: C. Alfano, M. Scott
Officials: J. Pihelgas, B. Lamming, V. McLeod

2. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: T. McClelland
Seconded by: P. McDonald

Resolved that Minutes of Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting of December 5, 2023 be approved.

Carried

4. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: T. McClelland
Seconded by: Brenna Tomas

Resolved that the Agenda for Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting for February 6, 2024 as presented be approved.

Carried

5. Business Arising

5.1 Election of Officers for 2024

Moved by: D. Greenwood

Seconded by: J. Flood

Resolved that nominations be open for the position of Chair of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for 2024.”

Carried

Moved by: Graham Young

Seconded by: T. McClelland

Resolved that Deane Greenwood was declared Chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for 2024.

Carried

Moved by: P. McDonald

Seconded by: M. Kontulainen

Resolved that nominations be open for the position of Vice-Chairperson of Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for 2024.

Carried

Moved by: T. McClelland

Seconded by: Brenna Tomas

Resolved that Jennifer Flood was declared Vice-Chairperson for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for 2024.

Carried

5.2 Park Development Updates

Pointe Des Chenes - door actuators, partitions and stalls will be installed to make bathrooms more accessible. Pathway to be installed for fall. Movi mats and a water wheelchair have been ordered and a booking reservation system will be implemented. Shelter will be ready to go for summer months.

West End Splash Pad - will be opened this summer. Change stalls are being built. Shelter and benches to be installed.

6. Sub-committee / Task Force Updates

6.1 S.T.A.C.

Executive meeting on Jan 10th. 8-10km of new trail to be built at Hiawatha. A trail to connect 3rd and 4th Line will be built and a RFP will be sent out to build bridge over the Root River in February. Waterfront design plan open house in January occurred and a meeting at the end of February will occur with city staff to continue discussions.

7. New Business

7.1 Participaction Grant

Grant will be applied for to hold a Try a Sport Day in June 2024.

7.2 Pump Track Event

Event will be held in June. PRAC members have been asked to assist in the event.

7.3 Park and Recreation Master Plan Update

Notices and open houses have been used to provide feedback. Currently in a draft format that will be circulated to staff and posted to the public for input. It will then be presented to council for approval and used as a guide for the next few years to come.

\$300,000 has been approved this year for park revitalization for 2024. \$50,000 will be used for immediate repair. The remainder will be used for 2-3 parks to revitalize this year.

7.4 NCC Related Questions

Walking track around arena is accessible at all times except for during special paid admission events. The walking track is available 85% of the time. There are challenges with keeping the NCC turf open but running has been provided Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. The turf is booked through large chunks of the days by Korah and senior programs. The track being blocked off by user groups is at their discretion for special events.

8. Correspondence

9. Next Meeting

10. Adjournment

Moved by: T. McClelland

Seconded by: P. McDonald

Resolved that this Committee now adjourn.

Carried

Chair

