

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Municipality of Middlesex Centre Recreation and Facility Services Committee held this date at the Municipal Office, Coldstream.

**PRESENT**

Al Edmondson, Mayor  
Frank Berze, Councillor  
John Brennan Councillor  
Brian Ritchie, Councillor  
Heather Greig, Public Representative  
Allan Lamont, Public Representative  
Janice Silver, Public Representative

**ABSENT WITH REGRETS**

Joe Meyer, Public Representative  
Bruce Waddell, Public Representative

Also attending from staff were:

Greg Watterton, Acting Manager Recreation & Facility Services  
Rick Sinclair, Community Centre Co-ordinator  
Jim Maguire, Recreation & Facilities Supervisor  
Claudia Thar, Secretary, Recreation & Facility Services

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Greg Watterton called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**2. APPOINTMENT OF 2009 COMMITTEE CHAIR**

Greg Watterton requested nominations for Chairperson of the Recreation and Facility Services Committee for the current term. John Brennan was nominated by Al Edmondson and Al Lamont. Mr. Brennan accepted the nomination. Brian Ritchie moved the nominations be closed, seconded by Heather Grieg.

Resolution RFC/#01/2009

Moved by Al Edmondson  
Seconded by Al Lamont

**THAT, John Brennan be appointed as Chairperson of the Recreation and Facility Services Committee for the term ending December 31, 2009.**

– Carried –

Committee members agreed to appoint a Vice-Chairperson to act in the absence of the Chairperson. Heather Greig was nominated by Brian Ritchie and Al Lamont. Ms. Greig accepted the nomination.

Resolution RFC/#02/2009

Moved by Brian Ritchie  
Seconded by Al Lamont

**THAT, Heather Greig be appointed as Vice-Chairperson of the Recreation and Facility Services Committee for the term ending December 31, 2009.**

– Carried –

**3. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

6.2 Proposed Naming of Deer Haven Soccer Park

**4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

**5. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 15, 2008 MINUTES**

Resolution RFC/#03/2009  
Moved by Frank Berze  
Seconded by Brian Ritchie

**THAT, the minutes of the December 15, 2008 regular meeting be approved as presented.**

- Carried -

**5.1 Business Arising from the Minutes**

None

**6. RECREATION (PARKS)**

**6.1 Park Inquiries**

None at this time.

**6.2 Proposed Naming of Deer Haven Soccer Park**

Members reviewed correspondence from the Optimist Club of Ilderton seeking consideration of the club's request to have Deer Haven soccer park formally named 'Optimist Park'. Greg Watterton provided Staff Report RFD004/09 entitled "Proposed Naming of Deer Haven Soccer Park" and Middlesex Centre policy GG-1.17 "Naming of Parks/Open Spaces, Buildings or other Municipal Facilities".

Brian Ritchie stated his opinion that the location of the facility should be included in the name. Members agreed the amended name "Deer Haven Optimist Park" would be an appropriate recommendation.

Greg Watterton outlined the procedure for naming parkland and confirmed community circulation of the proposed name change would consist of flyers delivered to households within Ilderton. In addition, Mr. Watterton stated the municipality would notify the sub-division developer and local service groups of the proposed name change.

Resolution RFC/#04/2009  
Moved by Brian Ritchie  
Seconded by Janice Silver

**THAT, Report number RFD004/09, dated February 10, 2009 entitled "Proposed Naming of Deer Haven Soccer Park" be received and;**

**FURTHER THAT, the Recreation & Facility Services Committee supports the renaming of the parkland in Ilderton, informally known as Deer Haven soccer park and legally known as Plan M359 Blocks 51 to 52, to "Deer Haven Optimist Park" and,**

**FURTHER THAT, staff be directed to circulate the proposed name change for public input from within the community of Ilderton in accordance with Policy GG.1-17, prior to providing a recommendation to Council for consideration.**

- Carried -

Discussion continued regarding Middlesex Centre's policy on naming parkland and other municipal facilities, specifically with regard to levels of financial contribution that would be considered 'significant'. Options for recognizing differing levels of contribution were discussed. Staff was requested to conduct an informal survey, to determine if similar policies exist in neighbouring municipalities and if any prescribed minimum level of contribution is articulated, and report findings back to Committee at a later date.

## 7. **RECREATION (Facilities)**

### 7.1 Community Centre Coordinators Report

Rick Sinclair provided Staff Report RFC #01/09 and responded to members inquiries on the rationale for various community centre needs listed in the report attachment. Frank Berze suggested user groups be consulted prior to future facility renovations. Mr. Berze also requested the refrigerator in the bar area of the Delaware Community Centre be serviced.

In response to an inquiry from Al Edmondson, Jim Maguire advised the 'yellow hue' sometimes apparent in the Ilderton Community Centre main hall results from the high intensity lights reflecting off the floor which has been stained a yellow shade and finished with a high gloss. It is not possible to raise the light fixtures from their present position and the bulbs are correct for the application. The only way to minimize the colour wash in the hall would be to change the colour of the stain used the next time the floor is refinished.

Members inquired if tighter restrictions on alcohol events in neighbouring communities have impacted Middlesex Centre hall rentals. Mr. Sinclair advised there have been a few more calls for information regarding potential Stag & Doe events. Brian Ritchie requested statistics on actual community centre hall rentals over the last two years be provided at a future meeting.

#### Resolution RFC/#05/2009

Moved by Heather Greig

Seconded by Janice Silver

**THAT, Recreation & Facility Services Report RFC#01/09 be received.**

- Carried -

### 7.2 Arena Storage Room Renovation Costs

### 7.3 Arena Meeting Room Rentals

The above agenda items were discussed concurrently. Staff provided some background information on construction of storage areas and provision of meeting room facilities for user groups at the Ilderton arena and history relating to previous cost sharing arrangements. Members also discussed provision of comparable facilities and cost sharing arrangements with other minor sports organizations in the community.

After further discussion, members agreed it would be advisable to meet with representatives of the Ilderton Minor Hockey Association (I.M.H.A.) before proceeding with the matters in question. The above-noted agenda items were deferred until the next regularly scheduled meeting and staff was requested to invite representatives from the I.M.H.A. to attend the March 10, 2009 meeting.

7.4 Middlesex Centre Family Doctor Teaching Clinic – Verbal Update

Greg Watterton provided an update on the Middlesex Centre Family Doctor Teaching Clinic. A tender call will be going out in early March with construction anticipated to begin in early April.

7.5 Community Wellness & Recreation Centre – Verbal Update

Greg Watterton provided a verbal update on the Community Wellness & Recreation Centre. Mr. Watterton stated the building sub-committee met with four firms; Spriet Associates, Cornerstone Architecture, Tillman Ruth, and Malhotra, Nicholson, Sheffield Architects Inc., on February 4, 2009, to review Request for Proposals regarding architect services.

7.6 Facility Inquiries

Al Lamont received a complaint regarding lack of garbage pails at a recent Komoka Community Centre function. Staff will ensure this deficiency is addressed prior to future rentals.

**8. RECREATION (Programming)**

8.1 Programming Inquiries

None at this time.

**9. FACILITIES (Libraries)**

9.1 Library Inquiries

None at this time.

**10. OTHER FACILITIES**

10.1 Other Facilities - Inquiries

It was noted that some Christmas trees dropped off at municipal facilities for recycling still have not been picked up. Staff will make arrangements to have the trees removed.

**11. OTHER**

11.1 2009 Draft Capital Budget

Greg Watterton provided a copy of the 2009 Recreation & Facility Services Draft Capital Budget which will be presented to Council on February 11, 2009. Greg Watterton and Jim Maguire responded to members' questions regarding several of the capital budget items.

Brian Ritchie inquired regarding the Poplar Hill Log Cabin Improvements Project. Heather Greig advised that plans include the installation of a gas fireplace, electricity and flooring. The Treasurer advised funding for this project will come from an Ontario Trillium Fund grant and municipal reserve fund.

**12. INFORMATION ITEMS**

Members reviewed the information items provided.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on a motion duly carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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John Brennan – Chairperson

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Claudia Thar – Recording Secretary