

Digby Area Recreation Commission
Wednesday, July 18, 2018
6:30PM - Digby Arena

Present: Jean Brittain, Linda Gregory, Peter Turnbull, David Mac Nutt, Margaret Morgan, Bob Powell, Cindy O'Neil

Regrets: Matt Ross

1. Meeting called to order at 6:30PM by Chair, Jean Brittain. The Chair expressed condolences to David MacNutt.
2. Adoption of Agenda
Linda Gregory moved and it was seconded by Peter Turnbull to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.
3. Acceptance of May16, 2018 Minutes
Linda Gregory moved and it was seconded by Margaret Morgan to accept the minutes of the March 21, 2018, board meeting as circulated. Motion carried.
4. Business Arising from Minutes
 - a. Digby Senior Games. The Digby Senior Games were held May 22-June 1, 2018. The games went well. DARC assisted in the planning of the games; registration, booked facilities and arranged for lunches.
 - b. Arena ice surface doors: The work is not complete. We had to put Monarch Enterprises on hold as the arena has some rentals. We have paid 75% of the invoice and holding the remaining 25% until the work is complete.
5. Approval of Accounts Payable
Peter Turnbull moved and it was seconded by Linda Gregory, that DARC approve the amended June payables in the amount of \$29,569.42. Motion carried.
Peter Turnbull moved and it was seconded by Linda Gregory, that DARC approve the amended July payables in the amount of \$43,807.07. Motion carried.
6. Acceptance of Financial Reports:
Margaret Morgan moved and it was seconded by David MacNutt to accept the income statement as circulated. Motion carried.
7. Recreation Reports:
Linda Gregory moved and it was seconded by Peter Turnbull to accept the recreation reports as circulated. Motion carried.
Updates/discussions:
 - The bus trip to the NS International Tattoo was a success. There were a couple last minute cancellations and we were not able to fill those spots on short notice. Played BINGO on the way to Halifax, had lunch at Swiss

Chalet in Bedford and stopped in Coldbrook on the way home. The group expressed interest in more bus trips and gave some ideas!

- Last month the Recreation Director indicated that DARC is applying for a grant for a trailer to transport 15 mountain bikes and the Tri-County Regional Centre for Education was purchasing forty Five mountain bikes. This is no longer happening.
- The Recreation Director expressed his concern that our facility is not used during Wharf Rat Rally and is thinking of ways it can be used and DARC to host something. One idea is a craft beer & food event.
- VRCDA hosted a summer staff training day for day camp counsellors and special events in the Valley. This year aquatic training was incorporated and conducted by Nova Scotia Royal Lifesaving Society. Fifty two lifeguards throughout the Valley participated and it was very well received.

8. New Business

- a. Telescope. When DRHS was built a telescope was included. It is still in the crate at DRHS. A few years ago Bob Powell and Gordon Wilson tried to have the telescope put at the Digby Airport. At the time Tri-County Regional School Board did not approve. Gordon Wilson has recently been in conversations with Paul Ash, the Regional Director of Tri-County Regional Centre for Education. It was agreed by the members that DARC would take the lead in this and Linda Gregory suggested a letter be sent to the Municipality of Digby. **Linda Gregory moved and it was seconded by Peter Turnbull that Digby Area Recreation Commission support the telescope project and take the lead. Motion Carried.**

9. Additions to Agenda:

- a. Christmas Party. The municipal councillors are starting to get notice of Christmas parties for various committees they sit on. It was advised that DARC look at the calendar and discuss with staff as soon as possible.

10. Next Meeting: September, 2018, 6:30PM at the Digby Arena, 2nd floor. There will not be an August meeting unless there is a need for it.

11. Peter Turnbull moved and it was seconded by Linda Gregory to adjourn the meeting. 7:35PM. Motion carried.