

HORNING'S MILLS COMMUNITY PARK BOARD
Meeting Minutes - Monday, May 15, 2023

The Horning's Mills Community Park Board held a meeting on the 15th day of May 2023 at 6:00 pm at the home of Nanci Malek. Members present were Deputy Mayor James McLean, Councillor Bill Neilson, Jim Hill, Nanci Malek, and Lynn Hodgson.

CALL TO ORDER:

Deputy Mayor/Chair McLean called the meeting to order at 5:58 pm.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Deputy Mayor McLean recited the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

ADDITIONS:

None

DELETIONS:

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Approval of the agenda was moved by Malek, seconded by Councillor Neilson. Carried.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

None

APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES:

The draft minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, were reviewed and approved as circulated – moved by Malek, seconded by Hill. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

None

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Melancthon Day – June 24, 2023:

The Board members proceeded to discuss the hippy-themed 2023 Melancthon Day celebrations.

Draft Agenda

2:30 pm Yoga in the Park

- Louise Marcoux Phillips has been confirmed
- will be volunteering her time and talent

3:00 pm Live Music

- "The People" band (Alicia Janssen-Thayer) has been confirmed
- charging \$200.00 for 2 hours

3:00 pm Bouncy Castle

- the Board reviewed options from Inflatable Fun, Utopia, and We The Bounce, Shelburne
- it was decided to hire We The Bounce and purchase the "Blue Corporate Package" at \$1,695.00 (includes We the Crayola, We the Slide, We the Super 3 Lane, and a large Connect 4 party game)
- delivery, set up, and take down would be included in the price
- requested that inflatables be set up and ready for use at 3:00 pm and then be dismantled at 9:00 pm

- all inflatables are TSSA approved, and the company is insured
- in addition, there will be the rental of a popcorn machine, the purchase of 200 servings of popcorn in total, 1 onsite attendant, and the rental of the necessary generators
- Deputy Mayor McLean and Hodgson will secure the arrangements with We The Bounce
- Hodgson to inquire about the inclement weather policy, how many generators will be needed, the number of attendants needed, and set-up location requirements, and will request a written detailed quote to submit to Melancthon Township

3:00 pm Vendors' Market

- the market is being organized by members of the Horning's Mills Community Hall Board
- 4 private sector vendors have been confirmed
- Deputy Mayor McLean to follow up as to who is coming
- Malek will reach out to those such as Dufferin County Waste Services to see if they are interested in attending

4:00 pm Kids' Activities

- EarlyOn Mobile Unit is interested in providing children's activities for a 2-hour period, and will be getting back to the Board to confirm; Malek will follow up
- the group that organized the bean bag races, etc., is unable to attend this year; the Board felt that races were not needed this year
- the Board felt that a children's entertainer/cosplayer is not needed, as inflatables and EarlyOn should be sufficient; Malek will reach out to make them aware

5:00 pm BBQ

- will be organized and ran by the Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department

5:00 pm Live Music

- the Dufferin County Line band has been confirmed
- will perform for 4 hours at a cost of \$800.00
- may set up and play on the ball diamond
- Deputy Mayor McLean will have a contract signed this week

7:00 pm First Responders' Challenge

- Dufferin County Paramedics and the Mulmur-Melancthon Fire Department have been confirmed
- Deputy Mayor McLean has reached out to other departments and will follow up
- the Dufferin OPP detachment has declined

9:00 pm Yoga in the Park

- Louise Marcoux Phillips will plan a fun and energetic session for children and adults

Dusk:

- fireworks
- Deputy Mayor McLean has confirmed and will follow up

Miscellaneous:

- Board members will make 50-75 candy kabobs to sell; Hodgson to purchase the necessary supplies
- Board members will make flower headbands of paper/artificial flowers, to be distributed for a donation; Malek to obtain supplies
- members will meet at the Community Hall on June 17 to make the kabobs and headbands
- popcorn, sparklers, and glow sticks will be handed out at no charge
- donations will be welcome at both entrance gates, with a portion being donated to the Shepherd's Cupboard Food Bank in Shelburne

Once all events and activities have been confirmed, they will be added to the event poster. The poster will display the logos of the bands, food bank, and EarlyOn. Cash only and donations welcome will also be visible. Malek will finalize the design, and Hill will do the colour printing of the posters.

Upgrades to the Park:

Walking Path

Deputy Mayor McLean and Denise Holmes, AMCT - CAO/Clerk, met with Steve Murphy from the County of Dufferin to discuss the construction and accessibility of the walking path at the Horning's Mills Community Park. The development of the pathway will require a significant amount of planning and potentially the involvement of an engineer. The incline from the ball diamond to the pavilion would need to have a gradual zigzag pathway, and benches would need to be located at resting points along the entire pathway. The Board discussed applying for a project grant through the Ontario Trillium Foundation and/or Hydro One, as well as seeking feedback from community members. The walking path project will be postponed until next year.

Ball Diamond – Power

Deputy Mayor McLean reported that Mike Hofman of Hofman General Contracting had completed the project of running electricity from one of the light standards to the pitching mound at no expense. As a result, the Mansfield Cubs will be able to better utilize the ball diamond. The diamond is currently being used for practices, and games will start at the end of the month. Hofman will be receiving a formal written thank you from Melancthon Council and will be verbally recognized during the Melancthon Day celebrations.

Mansfield Minor Baseball Signage

An update was provided regarding the new sign to be ordered and installed at the park, displaying "Welcome to Horning's Mills Field - Second Home of the Mansfield Cubs". Deputy Mayor McLean obtained some verbal quotes from various sign companies, with all being relatively comparable at a cost of \$500.00 to \$600.00. The Board decided to proceed with Dunwood Signs & Textiles Inc. of Dundalk.

Advertising Signage:

A delegation with Councillor Ruth Plowright was held during the previous meeting on April 5, 2023, concerning advertising at the park. Local companies would pay a sponsorship fee, which would vary depending on the size of the sign and its location of installation at the park. The topic was open for discussion, and it was decided that signs should be posted on the perimeter fence only. Concern was expressed about how the posted signs would alter the visual appearance of the green space at the park. Deputy Mayor McLean suggested discussing in the future if Board members expressed further interest.

OTHER/ADDITIONS:

None

DELEGATIONS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL:

None

CONFIRMATION MOTION:

Moved by Malek, seconded by Hodgson. Carried.

ADJOURNMENT AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be decided upon at the call of Deputy Mayor/Chair McLean. Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm. Moved by Hill, seconded by Malek. Carried.