CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Township of Melancthon Parks and Recreation Board held a meeting on April 7, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Chair Ruth Plowright, Vice-Chair Doug Read, Members Darren White, David Thwaites, Jessica Plowright, Lynn Hodgson and Bill Neilson, also present was Becky Cunnington, Parks and Recreation Board Secretary. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair (Conducted by Secretary)

Moved by White, Seconded by Hodgson that Ruth Plowright be appointed as the Chair of the Parks and Recreation Board of the Township of Melancthon. Carried.

Moved by White, Seconded by Hodgson that Doug Read be appointed as the Vice-Chair of the Parks and Recreation Board of the Township of Melancthon. Carried.

Land Acknowledgement

Chair Plowright shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

Additions/Deletions/Approval of Amended Agenda

Additions

Riverview- Added by Chair Plowright

Deletions

None

Approval of Agenda

Moved by White, Seconded by Neilson that the agenda be approved as amended. Carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

No declaration declared at this time.

General Business

1. **Discussion – Terms of Reference – Mandate of the Board – Objectives and Goals Moving Forward**

   A discussion was had and some preliminary ideas were shared, samples of Terms of Reference from other Municipalities will be circulated to the Board to review and come back to the next meeting with items they want to be included.

2. Meeting Format

The Members agreed that meetings will be in person

3. 2025 Meeting Dates and Locations

The frequency of meetings was discussed and it was suggested that in preparation for Melancthon Day activities the next three meetings be scheduled for Monday April 28th at 7:00 p.m., Monday May 26th at 7:00 p.m., and Monday June 9th at 7:00 p.m. Also discussed was that meetings may be held at various locations including the Township Office, Corbetton and Horning's Mills Parks and the Horning's Mills Hall

4. Other/Additions

The Board discussed several initiatives and improvements for the parks and activities which included:

Horning's Mills Park
- addition of something to the bottom of the backstop to stop stones from flying back onto the bleachers and spectators at the diamond
- repair/replacement of the Horning's Mills Community Park Sign
- removal of the "Bus" playground equipment
- inquire about the cost to fix the existing well or drill a new well

Corbetton Park
- Complete the fence, drainage for low area in front of the Pavillion, erect a Community Message Board, sign for the Pavillion
- possible history plaque to be displayed, in the future finish the inside of the Pavillion.

Riverview
- Brainstorm ideas for development

Melancthon Day – 3 Day Event
- June 20th – BBQ in Corbetton
- June 21st – Melancthon Day – Suggestions: Activities for kids, Food Vendors, Beer Gardens, First Responder Challenge, Fireworks
- June 22nd – Breakfast in Riverview

Direction was given to Township Staff to obtain information on the lots owned by the Township in Riverview including overhead maps showing property lines to be reviewed at the next meeting. The Board also requested Financials, Park Rental Fee Schedule, and information on the well at the Horning's Mills Park.

Recommendations to Council

Request Funding for Melancthon Day

Public Question Period

None.

Confirmation Motion

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Neilson that all actions of the Members and Officers of the Parks and Recreation Board with respect to every matter addressed and/or adopted by the Board on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; and each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the Board Members at the meeting held on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed. Carried.

Adjournment

7:30 p.m. - Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Neilson that we adjourn this Parks and Recreation Board meeting to meet again on Monday, April 28, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

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CHAIR   SECRETARY