



County of Grande Prairie No. 1

Recreation Advisory Committee

Start time Thursday, September 14, 2017, 10:00 AM

End time Thursday, September 14, 2017, 3:00 PM

Council Chambers

AGENDA

1. **Attendance**
2. **Call to Order**
3. **Delegations and Appointments**

3.1. **10:00 a.m. Alberta Environment & Parks Update**

Dion Lawrence & Jack McNaughton, AEP & Jim Hammond, Project Manager Planning & Development Services , AT 10:00

Summary:

Representatives from Alberta Environment & Parks will be in attendance to follow up on June 2017 RAC items, present an update on County related topics, and answer questions as required.

3.2. **11:00 a.m. 2018 Alberta Summer Games Update**

Lionel Robbins, Chairman & Lindsey McNeil, Games Manager , AT 11:00

Summary:

2018 Alberta Summer Games Chairman Lionel Robbins and Games Manager, Lindsey McNeil will provide an update on the Games status to date.

3.3. **11:30 a.m. Bad Heart Straw Church**

Karen Strid, County Resident & Caretaker , AT 11:30

Summary:

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To date, the Bad Heart Straw Church is \$847.90 in arrears for power transmission fees, despite the fact that Ms. Strid de-energized the building in May 2016. Direct Energy is also requesting that \$200.00 be paid to enroll with their services, even though Ms. Strid does not want to resume electricity supply to the building. The total amount outstanding to Direct Energy is \$1,047.90.

County resident Karen Strid was unable to attend the June RAC meeting but is present today to answer questions. Ms. Strid is requesting that the County take over responsibility for the historic site, but is willing to continue to conduct tours on demand.

3.4. **1:00 p.m. Grande Prairie Sports Council Update**

Karna Germshied , AT 13:00

Summary:

Executive Director, Karna Germsheid will present an update on the Grande Prairie Sports Council's recent activities and upcoming events.

3.5. 1:30 p.m. Recreation Fee Assistance Program

Lisa Watson, FCSS Team Lead , AT 13:30

Summary:

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3.6. 2:00 p.m. Crosslink County Sportsplex Update

Ramona Rollins, General Manager , AT 14:00

Summary:

Crosslink County Sportsplex General Manager, Ramona Rollins will provide a quarterly report for the period April - June 2017.

Note: Additional financial information presented in Section 2 as requested by Parks & Recreation Manager.

4. Unfinished Business

5. New Business

5.1. Sportsplex Arena Lights LED Conversion

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

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Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

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The FCSS department have indicated that they would like to dedicate a memorial bench to their former colleague Jody Evans. Both departments felt it would be a fitting way to launch a new County initiative.

6. **Sponsorship Requests**

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Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

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6.2. **Sunrise Rotary Club - 10th Annual Scarecrow Festival**

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

Request for sponsorship for 10th Annual Scarecrow Festival happening October 20-22, 2017.

6.3. **Suicide Prevention Resource Centre - Chair Extraordinaire**

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

Sponsorship request for Chair Extraordinaire, October 14, 2017.

6.4. **GPRC President's Ball**

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

Sponsorship request for President's Ball, happening October 21, 2017.

7. **Information Items**

7.1. **Recreation Master Plan Update**

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

The Grande Prairie Regional Recreation Committee held its third meeting on September 7th, 2017 in Beaverlodge. Four of the seven municipalities had elected officials present; administrative staff were present for all seven. Councillor Corey Beck represented the County of Grande Prairie.

The final version of the committee's Terms of Reference have been approved and will be brought

forward to each municipality for ratification.

To date, four of the seven municipalities have responded with a positive vote on the funding model for the Administrative Coordinator 0.5 FTE position. The other three will bring forward their decision to the December 2017 meeting. Once the Administrative Coordinator is in place, the Committee can focus on implementation of the Master Plan strategies.

7.2. Campground Reservation Software Update

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

An update on the impact of the pilot reservation system at Pipestone Creek Campground.

7.3. Glen Leslie Church Sign

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

The final step in the Glen Leslie Church Restoration Project has been completed with the installation of a new sign and landscaped flower bed.

See photograph on screen.

7.4. Pending RAC Projects

Christine Rawlins, Manager of Parks & Recreation

Summary:

Status update or revised timelines for pending Recreation Advisory Committee projects.

8. **Notice of Motion**

9. **Council Inquiries**

10. **Addendum**

11. **Committee Member Reports**

12. **Administrative Reports**

13. **Adjournment**

3. Delegations and Appointments

- 3.1. 10:00 A.M. ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT & PARKS UPDATE
- 3.2. 11:00 A.M. 2018 ALBERTA SUMMER GAMES UPDATE
- 3.3. 11:30 A.M. BAD HEART STRAW CHURCH
- 3.4. 1:00 P.M. GRANDE PRAIRIE SPORTS COUNCIL UPDATE
- 3.5. 1:30 P.M. RECREATION FEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
- 3.6. 2:00 P.M. CROSSLINK COUNTY SPORTSPLEX UPDATE



Issue Summary Report

3.1. 10:00 a.m. Alberta Environment & Parks Update

#20170821006

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Scheduled Time : 10:00

Executive Summary

Representatives from Alberta Environment & Parks will be in attendance to follow up on June 2017 RAC items, present an update on County related topics, and answer questions as required.

Background

1: Follow up items from the June RAC meeting:

(a) Three wetlands policy implementation questions:

- Council to make motion to explore the County becoming restoration agents to manage the spending of wetlands compensation funds > COMPLETE

- Who pays wetlands compensation for wetlands impacted by the Evergreen Learning and Innovation Society (ELIS)? >

- Are research funds available from wetlands compensation sources for ELIS activities?

(b) The history of, and options considered by AEP concerning a weir on the Beaverlodge River > To be handled separately with Councillor Brock Smith.

(c) The term of the County's disposition at Kleskun Hills Park once the area becomes a Provincial Park >

(d) The proposed 4 hectare staging area south east of Mandalay Estates:

- Can the disposition be issued in the name of three municipalities?

- If not, could a MOU between the Municipalities suffice?

- This topic to be discussed at a future regional recreation group meeting > Added to December 7, 2017 agenda

(e) Wapiti Dunes Development Society (WDDS) 17 kilometers of trails. A separate meeting to be set up between Reeve Beaupre, County Parks & Recreation, AEP and WDDS to discuss the various options available > PENDING Fall 2017.

(f) An update on the County's application to expand DML800162 (the County's disposition in the Evergreen Park area).

(g) An update on the three Bezanson dispositions > COMPLETE

2: Public Land Use Zones (new from AEP)

3: Update on Municipalities becoming restoration agents in the the Province

Alternatives

For information and discussion

Recommendation

For information and discussion



Issue Summary Report

3.2. 11:00 a.m. 2018 Alberta Summer Games Update

#20170821007

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Scheduled Time : 11:00

Executive Summary

2018 Alberta Summer Games Chairman Lionel Robbins and Games Manager, Lindsey McNeil will provide an update on the Games status to date.

Background

For information

Alternatives

For information

Recommendation

For information



Issue Summary Report

3.3. 11:30 a.m. Bad Heart Straw Church

#20170906010

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Scheduled Time : 11:30

Executive Summary

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County resident Karen Strid was unable to attend the June RAC meeting but is present today to answer questions. Ms. Strid is requesting that the County take over responsibility for the historic site, but is willing to continue to conduct tours on demand.

Background

The Bad Heart Straw Church was built in the mid 1950's and is designated as a Provincial Historic Site. The church was originally managed by the Bad Heart Culture Association until its demise in 1975. The Association still holds the land title for the 4 acre parcel that the church is located on.

County resident Karen Strid and her family have been overseeing the church for over fifteen years on a volunteer bases. They currently mow the yard and maintain the interior and exterior of the building. The Strid's are finding it increasingly challenging to manage the historic facility, and there are no other local interested parties who could assume the role. The building is considered to be structurally sound (the floor was replaced approximately ten years ago), with some repairs to required to the windows on the front to avoid further water damage (see photos attached).

During the summer months the Church currently receives three seniors bus tours on average, and daily individual visits. The Bad Heart Straw Church is identified and promoted as a day trip destination in the "A Visitor's Day in the County" publication (see attached). It has also been used as a polling booth in recent years.

The County currently owns the Glen Leslie church which does not have power or water. Following the restoration project, the County has not incurred an operating expenses for Glen Leslie. There was discussion as to whether or not the Preservation Group was responsible for liability insurance but this matter has not been resolved. To date in 2017, the Glen Leslie Church has generated \$95.23 in rental revenue.

If the County were to assume responsibility for the Bad Heart Straw Church, it could opt to reconnect the power (\$50 / month including transmission fees) or not. Recreation grants could be used to cover the cost of essential repairs although there is not an active community group to oversee this work.

Alternatives

Option 1) Approve funding to cover the \$1,047.90 owing to Direct Energy from Grants Reserve and accept Karen Strid's request to have the County of Grande Prairie take over the ownership and operation of the Bad Heart Straw Church.

Option 2) Approve funding to cover the \$1,047.90 owing to Direct Energy from Grants Reserve and decline

Karen Strid's request to have the County of Grande Prairie take over the ownership and operation of the Bad Heart Straw Church.

Option 3) As RAC directs

Option 4) Take no action

Recommendation

As RAC directs



Issue Summary Report

3.4. 1:00 p.m. Grande Prairie Sports Council Update

#20170901003

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Scheduled Time : 13:00

Executive Summary

Executive Director, Karna Gernsheid will present an update on the Grande Prairie Sports Council's recent activities and upcoming events.

Background

For information

Alternatives

For information

Recommendation

For information



Issue Summary Report

3.5. 1:30 p.m. Recreation Fee Assistance Program

#20170901001

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Scheduled Time : 13:30

Executive Summary

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Administration was also tasked with formalizing a partnership with an existing local organization on a pilot project basis, and grant a specific amount to be administered to County children during a calendar year.

The proposed Recreation Fee Assistance Program (RFAP) is a two-fold approach that combines a new County initiative with enhanced financial support of KidSport to ensure that both low income adult and youth residents of the County receive an opportunity to engage in recreation opportunities. The one year pilot RFAP program would have a budget of \$10,000 (to be included in the 2018 Final Budget), and KidSport would receive an additional \$5,000 in addition to its current \$1,000 annual County Community Assistance recreation grant.

Background

Recreation Fee Assistance Program proposed format:

- **Launch date:** January 1, 2018
- **Budget:** \$10,000
- **Application process:** Online via County website, in person at FCSS or through FCSS caseworker / liaison/ community programmer.
- **Application form:** Will include links and reference to KidSport and JumpStart to encourage cross application
- **Applicants:** Must be a resident of the County of Grande Prairie (including Hamlets).
- **Age Range:** Open to Youth, Seniors, Adults & Families
- **Qualification process:** Current recipient of AISH, meet the low income cut off threshold (LICO), provide previous year tax assessment, be a newcomer to Canada or refugee (within one year of landing), provide Alberta Health Benefits card, or as deemed "in need" by County FCSS personnel.
- **Recreation Options:** One x 10 visit punch card to facility of their choice: Crosslink County Sportsplex, Beaverlodge Recreation Centre or Eastlink Centre valued at between \$60 - \$200 per card depending on the activity and facility.
- **Administration:** FCSS personnel to accept and review applications, purchase punch cards and, replenish as required within budget allowance and track recipients
- **Anticipated Reach:** With an anticipated average value of \$125, 80 punch cards could be issued = \$10,000.
- **Evaluation & Reporting:** Each recipient will complete an evaluation form; a year end summary will be presented at the December 2018 Recreation Advisory Committee
- **Communication:** A strategy would be coordinated with the County Communications department requiring an additional \$850 budget built into the 2018 FCSS operating budget to include the cost of brochure printing and marketing
- **Program Capacity:** Once the \$10,000 has been allocated, the program would be closed for the year

KidSport Enhanced Funding (proposed):

- **Launch date:** January 1, 2018 (as per grant funding calendar year timeline)
- **Budget:** \$6,000 total (current \$1,000 plus new funding of \$5,000 through this initiative)
- **Application Process:** Accepted and coordinated by Kidsport
- **Application Form:** Online via KidSport website
- **Applicants:** Children under 18 years of age
- **Qualification Process:** As determined by KidSport
- **Recreation Options:** Registered programs and lesson facilitated by a trained facilitator in the field (see range of activities in attached report)
- **Administration:** County issues one time grant cheque to KidSport; KidSport pays sports organization \$200 maximum per child per year.
- **Anticipated Reach:** The County's \$1,000 grant currently supports five children; a \$6,000 (total) grant would support 30 x County children.
- **Evaluation & Reporting:** KidSport are amenable to track and report how many County children accessed the program each year
- **Communication:** The County's enhanced relationship with KidSport would be communicated and coordinated with the launch of the new Recreation Assistance Fee Program.
- **Program Capacity:** To be determined by KidSport total budget.

Alternatives

Option 1) Approve \$15,000 in new funding for the launch of a one year pilot Recreation Fee Assistance Program (\$10,000) and enhanced KidSport (\$5,000) funding as part of the 2018 Final Budget, plus an additional \$850 operating budget for a Communications strategy.

Option 2) Approve an alternative amount of new funding for the launch of a one year pilot Recreation Fee Assistance Program and enhanced KidSport funding as part of the 2018 Final Budget, plus an additional \$850 operating budget for a Communications strategy.

Option 3) Take no action

Option 4) As RAC directs

Recommendation

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Issue Summary Report

3.6. 2:00 p.m. Crosslink County Sportsplex Update

#20170821008

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Scheduled Time : 14:00

Executive Summary

Crosslink County Sportsplex General Manager, Ramona Rollins will provide a quarterly report for the period April - June 2017.

Note: Additional financial information presented in Section 2 as requested by Parks & Recreation Manager.

Background

For information

Alternatives

For information

Recommendation

For information

5. New Business

- 5.1. SPORTSPLEX ARENA LIGHTS LED CONVERSION
- 5.2. MEMORIAL BENCH / TREE PROGRAM



Issue Summary Report

5.1. Sportsplex Arena Lights LED Conversion

#20170912015

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

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Rather than replacing the ballasts, the Facility Management Review Team (FMRT) have recommended that the Sportsplex take the opportunity to convert the light fixtures to the more energy efficient LED bulbs.

Three quotes were obtained by Facilities Specialist, Herb Weber, the lowest being \$82,785.00 + GST. The project should receive a rebate of approximately 30% through the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre (MCCAC) rebate program, resulting in a net expense of \$57,949.50 approximately.

Background

Quotes received (see attached):

- \$82,785.00 = AECOM (Flint)
- \$85,600.00 = Braveheart
- \$146,450.00 = Gray Electric

Herb Weber will oversee the project and administer the rebate program as per similar County projects this year.

Alternatives

Option 1) Approve the LED light replacement project for \$82,785.00 at the Sportsplex using funds to be determined by Administration, and apply for a MCCAC rebate to offset part of the expense.

Option 2) As RAC directs

Option 3) Take no action

Recommendation

Option 1) Approve the LED light replacement project for \$82,785.00 at the Sportsplex using funds to be determined by Administration, and apply for a MCCAC rebate to offset part of the expense.



Issue Summary Report

5.2. Memorial Bench / Tree Program

#20170821016

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

The Parks and Recreation department is seeking approval from the Recreation Advisory Committee to proceed with the development of a Memorial Bench / Tree program similar to those found in other municipalities.

The FCSS department have indicated that they would like to dedicate a memorial bench to their former colleague Jody Evans. Both departments felt it would be a fitting way to launch a new County initiative.

Background

Under the new program, memorial benches or trees could be purchased and placed in approved locations throughout the County e.g in County Parks, campgrounds, or on Municipal Reserve.

Installation dates would be dictated by seasonal considerations. Total cost of the memorial item would include future maintenance requirements based on a cost recovery model.

Administration would bring back a program outline to the December 2017 RAC meeting, and the new services could be included in the 2018 Schedule of Fees.

Alternatives

Option 1) Approve the Parks and Recreation department's request to develop a County wide Memorial Bench / Tree Program and bring it back to the December 2017 RAC meeting for approval.

Option 2) As RAC directs

Option 3) Take no action

Recommendation

Option 1) Approve the Parks and Recreation department's request to develop a County wide Memorial Bench / Tree Program and bring it back to the December 2017 RAC meeting for approval.

6. Sponsorship Requests

- 6.1. COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR Q4 2017
- 6.2. SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB - 10TH ANNUAL SCARECROW FESTIVAL
- 6.3. SUICIDE PREVENTION RESOURCE CENTRE - CHAIR EXTRAORDINAIRE
- 6.4. GPRC PRESIDENT'S BALL



Issue Summary Report

6.1. Community Assistance Funds for Q4 2017

#20170831002

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

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The current Community Grants Reserve balance is \$229,158.34. The Municipal Infrastructure Reserve has \$1,870,000 to date.

Background

In 2016 from September to December, \$8,850 was approved for sponsorship requests, with Sexsmith being a special one time ask.

2016 Community Assistance - Last Quarter

Clairmont AG Society	1000	
PARDS	1000	
Grande Spirit Fdn	550	
Town of Sexsmith	5000	100th anniversary celebration
Valhalla Heritage Society	1000	
Odyssey House	300	
Total:	\$8,850	

Alternatives

Option 1) Transfer \$5,000 from Municipal Infrastructure Reserve or Community Grants Reserve to the 2017 Community Assistance grant program.

Option 2) Transfer alternative amount from Municipal Infrastructure Reserve or Community Grants Reserve to the 2017 Community Assistance grant program.

Option 3) As RAC directs

Option 4) Take no action

Recommendation

As RAC directs



Issue Summary Report

6.2. Sunrise Rotary Club - 10th Annual Scarecrow Festival

#20170907002

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

Request for sponsorship for 10th Annual Scarecrow Festival happening October 20-22, 2017.

Background

Event info:

October 20 - 22, 2017

Day 1 - Shindig - Dinner, Dance Auction

Day 2 -Fest-of-Ale - Craft beer tasting, entertainment

Day 3 - Family Fun Day

Funds raised will go towards a "Wellness House" at the new hospital site.

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Platinum - \$10,000

Gold - \$7,500

Silver - \$5,000

Family Fun Day - \$4,000

Friends of Rotary - \$2,500

Stage - \$2,000

Shindig Wine - \$2,000

Table - \$1,000

Family Fun Day - \$250

Past Support:

The following motion was made in 2014:

MOVED by B. SMITH that the County of Grande Prairie provide the barbeque and an employee for the event, but take no action on the monetary request. Carried.

Community Assistance:

Alternatives

1 - Sponsor for an amount determined by RAC

2 - Take no action.

Recommendation

As RAC directs.



Issue Summary Report

6.3. Suicide Prevention Resource Centre - Chair Extraordinaire

#20170907003

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

Sponsorship request for Chair Extraordinaire, October 14, 2017.

Background

Event info:

Saturday, October 14, 2017

Jackpot Grill

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Event Sponsor - \$5,000

Chair Sponsor - Donation of an accessorized chair

Platinum Sponsor - \$3,500 - \$4,999

Gold Sponsor - \$2,000 - \$3,499

Silver Sponsor - \$1,500 - \$1,999

Bronze - \$1,000 - \$1,499

Table - Purchase a table for \$580/8 tickets or \$725/10 tickets

Supporter - Contributions of \$999 or less

Past Support:

2016 - Table - \$580

2015 - Table - \$500

2014 - 2 tickets - \$130

Community Assistance:

Alternatives

1 - Sponsor for an amount determined by RAC.

2 - Take no action

Recommendation

As RAC directs.



Issue Summary Report

6.4. GPRC President's Ball

#20170907004

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

Sponsorship request for President's Ball, happening October 21, 2017.

Background

Event info:

Saturday, October 21, 2017
Entrec Centre, Evergreen Park

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Titanium - \$15,000
Platinum - \$7,500
Gold - \$5,000
Silver - \$3,500
Bronze - \$2,000
Friend - \$1,500
GIK, Auction Item

Past Support:

In the past, tickets have been purchased through Council's Initiatives budget.

Alternatives

- 1 - Sponsor for an amount determined by Council
- 2 - Take no action

Recommendation

As RAC directs.

7. Information Items

- 7.1. RECREATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE
- 7.2. CAMPGROUND RESERVATION SOFTWARE UPDATE
- 7.3. GLEN LESLIE CHURCH SIGN
- 7.4. PENDING RAC PROJECTS



Issue Summary Report

7.1. Recreation Master Plan Update

#20170911003

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

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To date, four of the seven municipalities have responded with a positive vote on the funding model for the Administrative Coordinator 0.5 FTE position. The other three will bring forward their decision to the December 2017 meeting. Once the Administrative Coordinator is in place, the Committee can focus on implementation of the Master Plan strategies.

Background

The Grande Prairie Regional Recreation Committee was formed as a recommendation of the 2016 Grande Prairie Region Recreation Master Plan.

Points raised at the September 7th meeting include:

- The Grande Prairie region is "ahead of the curve by 2+ years" compared to other municipalities across the province (Mike Roma)
- City and County are both interested in hosting the Administrative Coordinator position
- A sub committee will be struck to hire the Administrative Coordinator and ensure its transparency
- Regional scheduling approach will force municipalities and residents to think of facilities in the entire region, and avoid duplicating services.
- Uniqueness of a facility will determine how far people are willing to travel; many layers to the criteria on what is considered regional
- Different municipalities could have similar facility (e.g. bmx track) but at different skill levels - better serves entire region
- Master Plan is not just about the new and shiny! Important to look at existing facilities and future economic load of maintaining them
- Next steps: Collecting feedback on the definition of Regional Amenities and Regional Initiatives
- Next meeting: December 7, 2017 in Hythe.
- Meeting notes will be distributed September 13th.

Alternatives

For information & discussion

Recommendation

For information & discussion



Issue Summary Report

7.2. Campground Reservation Software Update

#20170906004

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

An update on the impact of the pilot reservation system at Pipestone Creek Campground.

Background

2016

Pipestone Creek camping revenues (to October 15) = \$114,914.50

2017

Pipestone Creek camping revenues (to September 10) = \$163,124.82

Difference: **\$48,210.32** or 42% increase in revenues

A complete report will be brought forward to the December 2017 RAC including net revenues after all software processing fees and monthly subscription fees have been taken into consideration.

Alternatives

For information and discussion

Recommendation

For information and discussion



Issue Summary Report

7.3. Glen Leslie Church Sign

#20170906012

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

The final step in the Glen Leslie Church Restoration Project has been completed with the installation of a new sign and landscaped flower bed.

See photograph on screen.

Background

The Glen Leslie cemetery group received a \$5,000 Cemetery Improvement Grant from the County in 2017 that was used to purchase and install the sign.

The Restoration group had approximately \$5,000 left over from the original project and used it to pay a contractor to perform landscaping work around the new sign.

The project is now considered fully complete and all groups involved are very satisfied with the outcome.

Parks & Recreation department employee Terry Dueck played a key role in the coordination of this project.

Alternatives

For information

Recommendation

For information.



Issue Summary Report

7.4. Pending RAC Projects

#20170906007

Meeting : Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting Date : 2017/09/14 10:00

Meeting Type : Recreation Advisory Committee

Executive Summary

Status update or revised timelines for pending Recreation Advisory Committee projects.

Background

- **Wapiti Dunes Development Society** (trail management status) > meeting Fall 2017 > December 2017 RAC
- **Cemetery Bylaw** > Fall 2017
- **Cemetery Grant Budget** > Final 2018 Budget
- **Splash Park Policy Input** (pending financial information) > December 2017 RAC
- **Commercial Activity in Parks Policy** > December 2017 RAC
- **Operating Assistance for Facilities** (utility data from groups) > Council Fall 2017

Alternatives

For information

Recommendation

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