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Neustadt Recreation Committee
Municipality of West Grey
Neustadt Community Centre
183 Enoch Street, Neustadt ON N0G 2M0
Sept. 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present Scott Foerster, Chair, Mayor Christine Robinson, Michael Dinkel, Rheo Machina, Brian Zettler

Regrets Gerry Lynch, Audrey Filsinger,
Councillor Geoffrey Shea

1. Call to order

Chair Foerster called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Robinson advised that she is attending the meeting because Councillor Shea is unable to attend.

2. Declaration of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof

None

3. Adoption of previous minutes

Moved: R. Machina

Seconded: M. Dinkel

That the draft minutes of June 7, 2022 be approved, with the following amendments:

- Item 8 – correct the spelling of the name Foerster.

Disposition: Carried

4. Roller Skating Update

Friday night roller skating began on July 22nd. There have been seven sessions so far, with between 60-85 skaters. Admission and skate rentals total \$2,310.75. Skating will be cancelled on Friday Sept. 16th, Friday Oct. 21st and Friday Nov. 4th due to other bookings on the arena floor on those weekends.

Volunteers are needed from 6:30 to 9:15 pm. S. Foerster has a list of names of the committee members who have offered to help. He will co-ordinate the scheduling.

ACTION: S. Foerster

5. Pickleball Report

B. Zettler reported that pickleball stopped play for the 2021/2022 season on Wed. May 18 and will resume play on Saturday Oct. 1, 2022 until mid May, 2023. May, 2022 revenue was \$209.00. The 2022/23 season will be played Monday nights from 7 to 9:30 pm, Wednesday afternoons from 2 to 4:30 pm, Thursday evenings from 7 to 9:30 pm, and Saturday mornings from 10 am to 12:30 pm. Fees will be the same as last season. Pickleball will also be played Tuesdays but the group would like to have their old time back (10 am to 12:30 pm) as was their time before Covid cancelations. They feel the change of times on Tuesday led to a reduction in attendance. B. Zettler will discuss this further with T. Culliton. **ACTION: B. Zettler**

6. Soccer Report

R. Machina reported that Neustadt Soccer resumed play in May with all teams (U6, U8 and U10) practising Monday nights. The U10s played their games on Tuesday evenings. The U8s played their games on Thursday nights. After a 12-week schedule, the U8s participated in a Year End Festival on August 13. The U10s wrapped up their season the following day. On August 15, the Soccer club held their 13th Annual Banquet night at the Neustadt Lion's Park pavilion with over 90 people attending. Pizza, veggies, water, drinking boxes and ice cream were served for supper. Following the meal, sponsors, refs and volunteers were recognized. The coaches followed with the introduction of players and highlights of their team's progress. Neustadt Soccer is proud to have continued this tradition of hosting a banquet. Soccer remains the only organized sport for children in Neustadt and the surrounding area!

7. Fall Craft Show

The fall craft show will be held on Saturday, Nov. 5th. S. Foerster reported that all spaces within the arena are fully booked and waitlist is being accumulated. Given the interest, some spots will be expanded onto the hall side. As of now, approximately 15 spots will be added (mixture of hydro and non-hydro). However, staff first need to complete a walk-through to determine the spacing. It is hoped that notification to vendors about the additional spots available will be sent in the next two weeks.

Volunteers will be needed on Thursday, Nov. 3rd to help set up tables. This will be arranged at our next meeting.

8. Possible Uses for Fundraising Revenue

The balance in our fundraising account is currently \$39,253.88. A decision has not yet been made regarding uses of the money. A possible use is the purchase of new chairs for the arena. This will be discussed further at our next meeting.

Mayor Robinson advised that when the committee lands on a decision, it must be sent to council in the form of a recommendation for council's consideration. Staff will require a resolution from council to release the funds.

9. New Business

Mayor Robinson thanked the volunteers for serving on the committee and for their continued efforts during the difficult COVID times.

10. Next Meeting

To be confirmed.

11. Adjournment

Moved: M. Dinkel

Seconded: R. Machina

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Disposition: Carried

Chairperson _____ Secretary _____