



Municipality of West Elgin

Minutes

Recreation Committee

March 19, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Electronic Participation Meeting via Zoom

Present: Councillor T. Tellier
Cindy da Costa
Megan Bartlett
Karen Booth
Heather Dougherty

Regrets: Courtney Kreamer
Lori Beckett

Staff Present: Terri Towstiuc
Jenn Vanesse

1. Call to Order

Chair Taraesa Tellier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved: Cindy da Costa

Seconded: Megan Bartlett

That West Elgin Recreation Committee hereby adopts the agenda as circulated.

Carried

4. Minutes

Moved: Karen Booth

Seconded: Megan Bartlett

That the West Elgin Recreation Committee adopts the minutes of January 15, 2025 as printed and circulated.

Carried

5. Business Arising from Minutes

No business arising from the minutes.

6. New Business

6.1 2025 Pool Operations

Staff is working on scheduling and lesson plans to be brought forward when available.

6.2 Arena Update

March 31st the ice came out. Dehumidification plans are hopeful for this year, just waiting to hear back from a grant that was applied for last year. Some interest in programming would be indoor ball hockey. Also inquiring about the hockeyville funds, and an open house to be scheduled.

6.3 2025 Summer Students

Staff had a great selection this year from applicants. All are returning students with 1 new addition to the pool.

6.4 Recreation Position Update

This position is going to council with budget. There was an ad out for clerk/CA assistant which is completely separate from this position. The position would be recreation based but with communications added to it. Once a decision has been made a job description would be brought back to the committee if the position is approved. Postings are generally out for a month, and we could potentially have someone in place this year. If it is not approved, then the committee may look at being on hold.

6.5 Canada Day Sub-Committee Update

Meeting on Friday at 11:30 to go over details. Bouncy castles are reserved but will have times to them later. Looking for volunteers and timelines.

7. Round Table Items of Discussion

Many ideas were brought forth to look towards. Grants for basketball nets (Rodney before skate park and West Lorne by tennis courts). Work with the park

revitalization group. Make a master sheet of West Elgin recreation assets and how they are used. Youth member recruitment has been tough, so looking to a guidance councilor for someone that might be interested. A multipurpose court for 2026. Wish list items to add to the asset list. How we could fundraise as a committee. Pool donations.

8. Adjournment

Moved: Karen Booth

Seconded: Cindy da Costa

That West Elgin Recreation Committee hereby adjourn at 7:48 p.m. to meet again on May 21st, 2025 at 7pm.

Carried

Taraesa Tellier, Chair

Jenn VanEsse, Recording Secretary