

Regular Meeting of the Iroquois Waterfront Committee

April 19, 2023 7pm Iroquois Civic Center

Present:

- John Ross Chair
- Peggy Gemert
- Keith Poore
- Pierrette Racine
- Tammy Thom
- Lisa Gibbons (Member of Public)

Absent:

Jason Broad (Mayor)

Staff Present:

- David Jansen- Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities
- Marc St. Pierre Deputy Mayor

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at the Iroquois Civic Center.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The agenda was corrected. (Update attached to Minutes).

Changes to the Agenda moved by Pierrette and Seconded by Keith.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Last meeting with Old Committee was October 6, 2022 No adoption required for Minutes as this is now a New Committee.

Not Applicable for the first meeting. THAT the minutes of the DATE meeting of the Iroquois Waterfront Committee be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATIONS**

a. Wild Flower Meadow

a. Seeds already purchased, need to determine plans for planting.

ACTION: If Keith does not hear from Stephen, David to follow up on status. Plan for Keith to carry and report next meeting.

b. Iroquois Map Installation

a. Maps printed last year and need to be installed

ACTION: David will follow up on Status at next meeting.

c. Sign at Gallop Canal viewed from Boats (NEW)

a. Faded and needs replacing

ACTION: David will investigate and see if the sign needs replacement.

d. Church Plaque and Grass around Plaque at Carmen House

- a. Church plaque was sent back last year for correction. Need to know status.
- b. Plaque is visible but the representation n of the plaque is not visible as grass is not maintained

ACTION: John to send photos to David. David to investigate issue and report at next meeting. (Pierrette sent a picture to David)

e. Drainage Problems near Path

a. Issue with drainage affecting the integrity of the walking path

ACTION: John to prepare a request and recommendation to council using council templates. Provide an explanation and a simple sketch with cost estimate to Council for further assessment.

f. Potholes near Boat Launch

ACTION: David to investigate this and report at next meeting.

g. Benches, Plaques and Concrete Pads

ACTION: John to provide a writeup on benches including documents for South Dundas, Costs and what he recommends.

h. Water Access for Aircraft Campers

ACTION: David to investigate Pumphouse for Water Access for Aircraft owners who want to clean their plane. Follow up for next Meeting

i. Charcoal BBQ Fires at the Beach

ACTION: Municipality to investigate issue and follow up with Committee.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS AND REPORTS

• John Welcomed the group and Lisa as Member of the Public and provided her some guidance on what she can and cannot do.

a. Budget for Iroquois Committee - Marc/David

- a. No Budget per se.
- b. Clerk notified that 2150 in ledger for purchase of water fountain near (at) the beach.
- c. Will address costs item by item using requests/recommendations of council.

b. Intro to Committee Business Planning/Roadmap Worksheet - Peggy

- a. Shred worksheet to track proposed and planned activities.
- b. Will align status to Agenda and Minute items.

Review Current Business

c. Wild Flower Meadow - Keith

- a. Seeds were supposed to be planted Fall 2022.but grounds were too wet.
- b. Estimated Cost was \$8,500, \$4000 was spent for seed.
- c. Keith to contact old Mayor and Jason on this. If does not hear from Jason, David will follow up.
- d. It was decided to do a smaller area Approx. 1 hectare by airport.
- e. David notified that seeds have been purchased. Need to get planted as soon as the ground dries up.
- f. Takes approximately 2 weeks to plant.

d. Signs and Maps

- a. Maps were printed in 2022 and with South Dundas and ready for installation.
- b. Campground and Marina will be the first and second installed.
- **c.** Tammy mentioned that Sign only visible by boat at the Gallop Canal is very dated and hard to read. Seen at end of point. Very faded says" Gallop Canal". (New Item)

e. Grass near Carman House and Church Plaque - Pierrette

- a. Small section grass near Carman House Museum hides plaque. People cannot see plaque walking by. Jim was looking into this but now not part of the Committee. He sent plaque back to be corrected and should have been switched last year but is not replace yet.
- b. Told too land rough to maintain. John has offered to fix lawn and refinance. On the East side.
- c. South Dundas already spends over 20Kper year to maintain the grass by the waterfront.
- d. John to send photos to David. David to investigate this.

f. Drainage Problems near Path

- a. Washout on path in spring. Path between parking lot and beach has poor drainage. There is no French Drain there and it is damaging the pathway
- b. Drainage to the North is Good.
- c. John to prepare Recommendations to Council using Council template.

- **d.** Tammy also mentioned that there are potholes on the way to the boat launch. South Dundas to investigate this. (**New Item**)
- e. Add to Agenda for next meeting

g. Parking Lot Expansion/Overflow Parking

- a. Could move to upper part of Elizabeth Drive or just before reaching runway
- b. Move to next meeting

h. New Issue with people driving cars onto/near beach

- a. Would like to block Car Access to Beach on east Side.
- b. Discuss at next meeting.

i. Update from Council Member - David

- a. Tree Pruning will be happening soon.
- b. Have a budget for sand to be added to the beach. Iroquois not as affected as Morrisburg.

j. Benches, Plagues and Concrete Pads

- a. John assumes this will be an ongoing task for the Committee.
- b. All benches are with David, South Dundas. Have 2 Slats.
- c. John has new plaque.
- d. John discussed plaques and about supplier out of Toronto who he thinks is better.
- e. Talked about life cycle of benches and what other municipalities are doing.
- f. John would like to provide a writeup on benches. He will provide documents for South Dunas and Costs, Benches and Plaques and what he recommends. He offers to handle plaques. Needs to send South Dundas information on Costs. South Dundas will handle procurement. This is part of their policy.
- g. David mentioned that the Committee is responsible for the location of the benches. Would order from the same supplier. John offered \$200 per plaques.

k. Trees for the waterfront

- a. Committee should go ahead with this. To discuss further study at next meeting and who will do this.
- b. David mentioned that they are due for another Tree inventory around the Waterfront. Should be performed this year.
- c. Iroquois Committee still need to propose types of tree and locations. Have Recommendations before next budget planning cycle to implement next year.
- d. Further discussion and action at next meeting.

I. Pathway Lighting

- a. John will be preparing a proposal this year.
- b. Marc says lights for Morrisburg were from \$2500-400 per light.
- c. John says he can get a light for \$500 per light. Wiring not huge cost. Can run from beach.
- d. Marc suggested the Committee to reach out to the community and do a survey on lighting at the Waterfront.
- e. John will be testing and demonstrating lighting. He has prices and preliminary quotes.

- f. Lights in Prescott are solar.
- g. Further investigation will end with recommendations and proposal to committee before budget planning for next year.
- h. Keep on agenda for next meeting. Need to discuss Survey. To support proposal.

m. Disc Golf

- a. Off the table for the Iroquois Waterfront.
- b. Keith suggests that the best place for this in Iroquois is Haldane Park. He will send contact info to David for further consideration with South Dundas recreation.

New Business (Review proposed from Work Plan Document)

n. Water Access for Aircraft Campers

- a. There is no water access for Aircraft (AC) Camper site and no access for aircraft owners to wash their planes.
- b. Taps at campground bathrooms are not designed for large buckets.
- c. John said he knows someone who would run waterline for free.
- d. John would like this done this summer without taking money from the budget.
- e. Could also run line from Pumphouse
- f. David suggested to wait a year to see on the demand for water at the AC camping site.
- g. John also says there is an interior tap at the pumphouse but it is not turned on. David will investigate is as an option to clean AC.

o. Review other Ideas for Iroquois Waterfront

a. Ran out of time. Add to Agenda for next meeting.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Charcoal BBQ Fires at the Beach

- a. Pierrette raised issue about people charcoal BBQing at the beach and there is nowhere to place hot coals. Concerned that people may start fires in garbage or other area near the beach
- b. Suggested to have BBQ permanently set at certain locations near the beach or have a disposal area/container for charcoal.
- c. This is a potential fire/safety issue
- d. Municipality to discuss

9. CLOSED SESSION

10. NEXT MEETING

- Joint Iroquois-Morrisburg Committees May 17, 2023
- Next Iroquois Waterfront Committee June 21, 2023

12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 1

THAT Iroquois Waterfront Committee can now adjourn to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Motion to Adjourn by Peggy Gemert

John Ross	
CHAIR	
STAFF LIAISON	