



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Iroquois Waterfront Committee

**June 21, 2023 7pm
Iroquois Civic
Center**

Present:

- John Ross – Chair
- Peggy Gemert
- Keith Poore
- Pierrette Racine
- Tammy Thom

Absent:

- Jason Broad (Mayor)
- David Jansen- Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities

Staff Present:

- 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).

Agenda moved by Pierrette and Seconded by Tammy.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. *THAT the minutes of the **17-May-2023** meeting of the Iroquois Waterfront Committee be adopted as circulated.*

Motioned by Pierrette and seconded by Tammy All in favor.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS

6. GENERAL BUSINESS AND REPORTS

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Review Current Business

a. Wild Flower Meadow and Geese Issue - Keith

i. 2023 Meadow

1. Keith mentioned that Wild Flower Meadow Tractor did try to go out. Was like rototilling concrete. Tried to use drill seeding. As far as Keith knows it worked.
2. Wild flower seed with oats and wildflower. Half was done. Will not see results until it rains. Will not see good results until spring. Some seeds need to be frozen to germinate. Used half the seed.
3. Get update for next meeting.

ii. Update to Plan/Recommendations re: Geese issue –Keith/Marc

1. This is a follow up from last meeting. Request to Municipality needs to be sent with recommendations to Council with sketch attach to minutes as a formal request (See Attachment)
2. John did not send map to Keith on where he would like to see tall grass to address the geese issue. John can prepare a schedule for council on this. Marc/David will address at next meeting.
3. Note" we need to do something as seen people walking across runway, people walk their dogs and Keith saw one guy jogging on the runway.

b. Sign at Gallop Canal – Tammy

- i. Lisa Gibson is looking after this and they are painting the sign and it looks good.
- ii. This issue is now resolved. This issue is now closed.

c. Installation Signs/Map -Maps Printed– David/Marc

- i. Been a year now waiting for this to be updated. Would be nice to have all up before the Fly-I breakfast in July. Marc to follow up with David on this.

d. Parking Lot pot hole fixes by boat launch – Tammy/Marc

- i. Tammy has not seen many changes there. Does not think anything was done. David was to investigate this. Marc to follow up on this.

e. Benches and Trees/Shrubs Study – Tammy/Pierrette/Peggy

i. Plaques on new benches – John

1. John and David have not had a chance to get together on this. will be done shortly

ii. Bench Study Map and Observations - Pierrette/Peggy/Tammy

1. Pierrette created a large map with location of current benches and their photos along with location of proposed future benches.
2. Discussed bench for near Marina. Pad is there but the temporary bench still has not been installed. John advised

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the pad needs to be drilled and the bolts installed. Then bench installation is easy. Left with Marc for follow-up with David.

3. John talked about materials and advised again on structure of benches including requirements.
4. Talked about linking path at north end of Elizabeth drive to campground. People walk across the field all the time. Good to keep kids off the road on their bikes.
5. Path to Ross bench was suggested so people can use that lone bench.
6. John suggested to hold off on new benches until lights are in.
7. Suggested picnic tables in places where there are pads and no benches.
8. Keith says we have temp benches. We could put the pads in and put temp benches there later.
9. John says no one wants to donate a bench that has been there for 5 years.
10. Asking for 6 bench pads this year. Pierrette will provide a smaller map with bench pads at next meeting.
11. Start with pads. Want picnic table if on a pad.
12. John suggested the bench donation should include in fee to cover bench maintenance for the donation term. This makes it easier to initially offer a ten- or 20-year term. John will provide info on study he did on other committees and cost of maintenance. He will pass this information on to David/Marc.

iii. Tree/Shrub/Plant Recommendations – Pierrette/Tammy

1. Tammy has done some research on shrubs, no trees.
2. Will discuss at next meeting in August as need time for further investigation.
3. John asked about what would like to see for each season and what are native species. He advises to focus on how it should look in various areas of the park.

f. Pathway Lighting

i. Public Forum – Tammy/Pierrette/Marc/John

1. Impressions on lighting demonstration: Went well. Most were concerned about safety and would love to use the path in the early evening hours in the fall/winter/spring when it is dark. One was undercover cop and was interested in the change as there are lots of police issue in the area including transportation of humans and drugs in the area. He mentioned cameras and was suggested maybe that is something to be sponsored and managed by the Police force. Overall response quite Positive.
2. Only one lady was against.
3. After session, Pierrette did survey for all of Elizabeth drive. They were all for it except for one. This person was concerned money and taxes going up and that Council could be spent on better projects. This person did attend the

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demo. Did not want light pollution. Only 1 person out of 28 people on Elizabeth drive was against lighting.

ii. Proposal/Engineering Drawings Submission Update-John

1. After public forum John Met with David/Marc to discuss proposal further. Discussion went well.
2. As a result, John prepared a costing proposal with recommendations (Attach to these minutes)
3. John discussed about wiring and there are a few areas where wire will cross a ditch but not a problem.
4. He is proposing to donate \$110,000. Total project cost is \$121,496. Things that are custom he will donate.
5. John had discussions with 2 contractors that he will provide all the rebar and bolts. This makes it easier for the guys. They gave a good estimate. Thousands of dollars were cut out because of this.
6. John has already ordered one prototype post and one rebar Cage.
7. Johni Ross wants to be appointed as Design Manager for the project. He approves changes.
8. The Iroquois Committee recommends to Council to proceed with projects in accordance with 2 documents provided. The Committee also notes, we are in favor of John Ross to be appointed design manager for the project. Motioned by Peggy and seconded by Pierrette

g. BBQ Hot Coal Disposal Receptacle Proposal Update – Marc

- i. Council approved the request.
- ii. When the receptacle will be ordered and delivered still pending.

h. Water Access for Aircraft Campers – John/Keith

- i. Keith mentioned there are a few hoses in storage that could be used for Aircraft campers if installed on the Airport/Campground building.
- ii. John will look into this.
- iii. Issue could be temporarily resolved.

New Business

a. Reserving the Beach

- a. Pierrette asked if the Committee is responsible for reserving beach for party. Most likely no. Marc to investigate with David. No supervision. Marc will reach out to David on this one.

b. South Dundas Waterfront Plan – John/Keith

- a. Move this to the beginning of the agenda for the next meeting in August.
John did not have time to prepare for this.

c. Drainage Issues along Waterfront Trail – John

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- a. Need to address this with the lighting. Move this under the lighting project as another task.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. CLOSED SESSION

10. NEXT MEETINGS

- Joint Waterfront Committee Wednesday July 19, 2023
- Iroquois Waterfront Committee Wednesday August 16, 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 Keith with seconded by Tammy/Pierrette. All in Favor.

John Ross

CHAIR

STAFF LIAISON

Minutes prepared by Peggy 21-June-2023 Reviewed by John Ross 28-June-2023