



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Iroquois Waterfront Committee

18-Sept-2024 7pm
Iroquois Civic Center

Present:

- John Ross – Chair
- Peggy Gemert – Co-Chair (notes)
- Tammy Thom
- Chuck Saddlemier
- Nathalie Pagé

Public Members and Delegations:

- Zach Anderson (Public)

Staff Present:

- Marc St. Pierre – Deputy Mayor
- David Jansen- Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities (Teams Conference)

Absent:

- Pierrette Racine
- Keith Poore

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Tammy and Seconded by Nathalie All in favor.

3. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

THAT the minutes of the **28-Aug-2024** meeting of the Iroquois Waterfront Committee be adopted as circulated.

Motioned by Chuck and seconded by Peggy. All in favor.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATIONS**

- Member of public Zach Anderson is with us and has some skills as biologist to share with the Committee.

6. **GENERAL BUSINESS AND REPORTS**

- a. Current Business
1. United Empire Loyalist Ass. Of Canada –Update (David)
 - i. – Association did get approval from their committee. Waiting for location of Plaque (David)
 - ii. Obtain update for next meeting
 2. Lighting Project Update (John)
 - i. Re: Light out along Path, Chuck contacted Amy. Have not hear back yet
 - ii. John has no further update.
 - iii. Update again next meeting
 3. Drainage Project Update (John)
 - i. John does not think this has gone ahead. Have not heard back from Lloyd McMillan
 - ii. Keep on agenda for next month
 4. Christmas Tree Bob Fire Update (Tammy)/David
 - i. Nothing so far from Morrisburg Committee
 - ii. David says they are confirming first Saturday after New Year's. Nothing confirmed yet.
 - iii. Keep on agenda for next month.
 5. Cameras (Marc/John/Keith)
 - i. John asked about request to council.
 - ii. Marc says we can continue to pursue options.
 - iii. John and Keith will work to prepare plan and have for next meeting. Contact Officer Jim Blanche. John wants to meet with OPP before preparing proposal.
 - iv. Keep on agenda for next meeting.
 6. Benches Update (David)
 - i. Finalized location with Pierrette and will be set up next few weeks. Just installing 2 Bench Pads and plan to install 2 temporary benches on them.
 - ii. John asked if benches need to be touched up. John will ask campground to touch up paint. He will supply the paint.
 - iii. Add to agenda to next meeting
 7. Horticultural Society Update/ Wildflower Planting/Flowerbed Update (Tammy/Chuck/Nathalie)
 - i. Tammy shared report to Committee. Had good meeting with Zach and Kyle from Conservation Authority.
 - ii. Conclusion came to start small with some test flower beds.
 - iii. Peggy suggested engaging community in spring to share perennials. Fall for seeds and spring for propagated plants.
 - iv. Tammy thinking oval flowerbeds.
 - v. Will be slightly raised from ground.
 - vi. Tentative date to create flowerbeds between Parking Lot and boat houses. Bring rakes shovels etc., seeds (Black Eyed Susan, Echinacea, bee balm. **Oct 19th Meet at Beach Parking Lot. 10am** (Nathalie, Peggy and husband John , Tammy and Husband Dave, Zach , Chuck)
 - vii. Natural Barrier for geese – looking for dog wood, Black-eyed Susan, Echinacea etc.
 8. Real World Learning Update (David)

- i. Dave met with new Principal at Seaway and talked about Real World learning. Will be providing list of options and projects that can be done. Educators will need to put into curriculum. They look to work with local businesses. Zach is interested in this.
- 9. Planning for 2025
 - a. Items noted under current Business if not completed in 2024
 - 1. Tree and Shrubs for 2025 (Tammy, Nathalie, Pierrette, Zach)
 - a. Have not yet finished along waterfront path. Preliminary review for next meeting. Take a map and mark up what should do.
 - 2. Movies in the Park (TBD) Establish proposed dates. (Nathalie)
 - a. Need to reach out to Candace if she is doing this next year. Worked in Parking lot.
 - b. Maybe we won't do. We just support it.
 - c. Maybe have one in the park and one in parking lot.
 - 3. Man-made shades for benches (Peggy)
 - a. Look into cost and bring to next meeting. Bench near beach road
 - 4. Accessibility Mats/ Wheelchair for Beach (Keith)
 - a. Keith was looking into grants.
 - b. Marc thinks we should do this next year.
 - c. Need to investigate cost of this.
 - d. John asked about making bathrooms at beach more accessible. Can do for Iroquois. Dave will have to look into the cost of the door. Cost for Morrisburg as 30-40K. In John's opinion we should pursue this.
 - e. Wait till Keith is back next meeting to discuss proposal accessibility for beach and cost to present to Council.
 - 5. Support Autism type fundraising event 2025 (Nathalie)
 - a. Tammy suggested to support fundraising events like Autism.
 - b. If Candice does an event how do we tie to the event? Nathalie will look into this. Anyway to do fundraising at the beach.
 - c. Nathalie to ask Candice to come to our next meeting to answer our questions on her plans and how can we integrate with the Businesses in the area.
 - 6. Historical/Educational Plaque for First Iroquois Power plant end of Boat house road. (Chuck /Tammy/Pierrette)
 - a. All you can see is the original floor. Current plaque not in right location. Railings are not safe and not to current standards
 - b. Tammy would also like to add to improve the area.
 - c. Marc says OPG may have some grants for this. Tammy would like to see displays on the generators and how they worked.
 - d. Ask Pierrette if Historical Society visuals and for historical information
 - e. Marc says can bring in OPG rep for the November

- meeting. Add to agenda for Nov meeting.
- f. Add to agenda to next meeting to confirm rep for Nov and any investigation results.
- 7. Public garbage trash cans as art (Peggy)
 - a. Maybe get schools/kids to paint cans. Locally theme like boats, local flowers.
 - b. Could have a contest with submissions.
 - c. David says did have a contest 3-4 years ago for garbage cans. 2 have been done.
 - d. Consensus something we want to do. Do over winter. Set something up for January....
 - e. Peggy to do a little write-up proposal for next meeting.
- 8. Improve Marina and beach parking lots
 - a. What is the issue for the Marina? A lot of people don't know where to park trailer. Not aware that there is a grass parking by the hangers.
 - b. Should there be a sign for trailer parking? There is a sign people driving by don't notice it.
 - c. John sees RVs at beach. Still some issues at beach parking lot.
 - d. How did the outhouse work this year? Tammy has not heard anything. David has not heard too much. Tammy will give Lisa a call and look into this. Question is, do you continue next year. Needs to be closer to the path next year.
- 9. More Garbage cans for next year. Most complaints are about garbage cans.
- 10. Grant Opportunities
 - a. Definitely need to look at for beach accessibility
 - b. Arboretum at park (Add to trees and Shrubs above)
 - i. Tie into trees and shrubs above. Plant species with plaques along pathway. Catalog species. There are a lot of grants out there for this. Conservation area does donate trees every year. Will look into this for next meeting.

a. New Business

- i. Lawn Bowling
 - 1. Request for letter of support for lawn bowling club for a grant. Have a need for equipment and supplies.
 - 2. What we need to know is can a Committee of Council provide support? Marc says there are legalities around letters of support. Marc asked David to look into to see if the Iroquois Waterfront Committee letter of support. David can technically provide a letter of support. John has copy of letter asking for missing document. For New Horizons Senior Programme. Deadline is this Friday. David will follow-up on this. The Municipality has applied for a New Horizon Grant in the Past.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

8. OTHER BUSINESS

- Schedule to End of 2024

Month	Date
October	Wednesday Oct 16, 2024
November	Wednesday Nov 13, 2024
December	Wednesday Dec 18, 2024

9. CLOSED SESSION

10. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will occur 16-Oct-2024.

1. ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion to Adjourn by Nathalie and seconded by Tammy. All in Favor.

CHAIR

STAFF LIAISON

Minutes prepared by P.Gemert 19-Sept-2024 Reviewed by J.Ross 26-Sep-2024