



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Iroquois Waterfront Committee

17 January 2024 7pm
Iroquois Civic Center

Present:

- John Ross – Chair (skype)
- Peggy Gemert – Co-Chair (notes)
- Keith Poore
- Pierrette Racine
- Tammy Thom
- Nathalie Pagé

Absent:

- Marc St. Pierre – Deputy Mayor

Staff Present:

- David Jansen- Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Agenda moved by Nathalie and Seconded by Tammy.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THAT the minutes of the **23-November-2023** meeting of the Iroquois Waterfront Committee be adopted as circulated by David.

Motioned by Pierrette and seconded by Nathalie. All in favor.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS

6. GENERAL BUSINESS AND REPORTS

A. Current Business

1. From Last Meeting

- a. Update on Budget for 2024 - (Marc/David)
 - i. Budget finished yesterday, Some cuts
 - ii. Both committees 25K each Taxation Money. Need to determine how we should reallocate can re-scope.
 - iii. David encourages to assess how fits into plan.

- iv. John questions on runway and lighting project within this. Get design and repeat process from 1st year.
- b. Dog Dispenser(s) in Park - (David)
 - i. Cost about 400-500\$ per year. Challenge to keep filled.
 - ii. In Morrisburg there are 2 dispensers in park. They spend approx. \$1800 to 2000 per year. This does not look like a priority right now. Revisit if there is public interest and more funding/donations.
- 2. Waterfront Lighting Project (John)
 - a. Suggest performing an additional Lighting Survey for Elizabeth St Residents as the lights must be placed to the east of Adair and the west (campground side) of the path to the marina and will be visible as per current.
 - b. Keith does see the lights on the path. Lights on Adair will be on east side and lights from Elizabeth drive will be on the west side. Keith is not overly concerned now. See the lights at the top of the fixture.
 - c. John suggested to survey for next meeting. John would like feedback now and not in March
 - d. Pierrette will perform survey and ask questions whether lighting is too bright and ask how they feel about lighting on Adair and near campground. **(Action for next meeting)**
 - e. Pierrette to prepare questions and team (Peggy/Tammy/Nathalie/John) to send feedback **(Action before next meeting)**
- 3. Park Accessibility Study (Keith)
 - a. Nothing yet on mat – Investigating No grants yet. Will discuss when he is back from holiday.
- 4. Communications – Updates to Website (Marc)
 - a. Nothing today.
- 5. Benches Update (David/Pierrette)
 - a. Pierrette showed possible locations of benches on Map.
 - b. John asked about cost of concrete. Volume discount 1500-1600\$ per pad installed. ~7500 for all the benches. 5000 for tables
 - c. Would be nice to have bench closer to Elizabeth and tennis courts.
 - d. Picnic Tables will be wood and anchored to concrete. These will be made by students so the cost is about \$250/300/table
 - e. What are the top choices for bench locations:
 - i. Between water and walking path add 2 tables along river walk.
 - ii. One bench at Adair and Elizabeth Drive.
 - iii. One on North side of Tennis Courts add a bench.
 - iv. Proposed – to review at next meeting. Update existing map for existing bench locations.
 - v. Pierrette to update for next meeting and decide then. **(Action for next meeting)**
- 6. Tree and Shrubs Study and Cleanup (David/Tammy/Pierrette)

- a. Plan to come up the landscaping along the riverside path.
- b. First objective to do cleanup path along the waterfront.
 - i. Drainage ditch on boat house road needs to be cleaned up.
 - ii. The Municipality owns it. Wants to know where the line is drawn with Conservation group and Municipality.
 - iii. John says ditch behind trailers and airport on north side of the runway needs to be cleaned out. Does not have drainage issue on path but there is a drainage issue behind the airport.
 - iv. David double check to see if drains are a part of the Drainage Act and where lines are drawn for Municipality. **(Action for next meeting)**
 - v. Also more cleanup needed along the riverside path. There is a plan to clean that up already with the Municipality.
 - 1. Cleanup of land around lights. He will wait till July to clean up. Wait for ground to settle
 - 2. John also mentioned one light post missing dirt. David will address as ASAP. **(Check at next meeting)**
- c. Take pads and trees and consolidate into budget. Plant tree at same time as install a cement pad.
 - i. In terms of exact spot how do we determine? We do a walkthrough a week through and put x on ground and measure. Final deamination in April.
 - ii. Another picnic table close to boathouse road. Put a Hackberry tree,
 - iii. As you come from boathouse road, add 3 crabapple trees that bloom in the spring.
 - iv. Would like to plant midway down riverside path a Red Maple next to picnic table on pad.
 - v. Last item for Native Species planting. Next year go ahead with 3 plantings and see how it goes. Estimate 10x10 bed looking at about 4800\$ per bed. Might only do one bed an assess next year. This is without sourcing from Conservation. Natureaide. 10x10 bed about 600\$. Sourcing the plants is a challenge
 - vi. Keith's preferences would put in 5 pads now.
- d. John asked if there is a horticultural group interested in the flower-beds. David mentioned about an adopt a garden group. There is a garden group near Cardinal.
- e. Good starting point for 10x10 flower bed
- f. Tammy will email Hugh to find out if the plants identified in the proposal need water. Tammy will look into Horticultural groups. **(Action for next meeting)**
- g. Next meeting we should have a recommendation to council with a Budget (Tammy) Tammy asked David for help on the cost of the trees and pads etc. and total budget. **(Action for next meeting)**
- h. Exact location will be determined in the spring during walkthrough.

7. Beach Plantings (Keith and Nathalie)
 - a. 2 new trees on the edge of the sand. Red Maple is being considered.
 - i. One north of ash trees that were removed
 - ii. Other only between parking lot and French drain. Goes in line with a walkway with line of tree
8. Budget for next meeting figures and quotes from actual suppliers needed.
9. John asked David about the swag for Drainage Budget as what we have is an estimate. No actual numbers \$15000. Will put up for another year. John says another year to grow trees. Suggest to start it. Jon Asked David what it would take to adjust the grade 2 % to 3% slope on north side? West of parking lot needs to be graded. John can probably get a quote for next meeting. David send some info to Tammy and Keith for pricing. **(Action for next meeting)**
10. Iroquois Event in the Park for 2024 – Continued Discussion – Team
 - a. Peggy to contact lead of Morrisburg Waterfront on possible joint events for 2024. Bring to next meeting on what was discussed
 - b. John Ross talked about event in 2027. Talked about event with 150 anniversary of founding of Iroquois. Question: Should a village be celebrated? One of the first villages in Ontario to be incorporated.
 - c. Instead of single event Keith suggested Instead of single event why not get a food truck in on Fridays. Keith will investigate for next meeting. **(Action for next meeting)** Tammy also knows someone. Suggest try for the year. Keith would love to see canteen open. Tammy says need to book long in advance.

B. New Business

- a. Meeting Schedule for 2024 was discussed to address Municipal meeting conflicts. Proposed meeting dates are outlined below

Month	Date
February	Wednesday Feb 28, 2024
March	Wednesday Mar 13, 2024
April	Wednesday Apr 17, 2024
May	Wednesday May 15, 2024
June	Wednesday June 19, 2024
July	Wednesday Jul 24, 2024
August	Wednesday Aug 28, 2024
September	Wednesday Sept 18, 2024
October	Wednesday Oct 16, 2024
November	Wednesday Nov 13, 2024
December	Wednesday Dec 18, 2024

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**
8. **OTHER BUSINESS**
9. **CLOSED SESSION**
10. **NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting will occur 28-Feb -2023

11. ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion to Adjourn by John with seconded by Keith. All in Favor.

CHAIR

STAFF LIAISON

Minutes prepared by P.Gemert 21-Jan-2024 Reviewed by J.Ross 25-Jan-2024