



## AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE RECREATION BOARD OF THE TOWN OF TABER, TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ON THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023 AT 5:30 PM.

	<u>MOTION</u>
<b>1. CALL TO ORDER</b>	
<b>2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</b>	X
<b>3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES</b>	
ITEM No.3.1 Recreation Board Minutes	X
<b>4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b>	
<b>5. ACTION ITEMS</b>	
ITEM No.5.1 Information for the Recreation Board	
<b>6. DELEGATIONS</b>	
ITEM No.6.1 Delegation - Mayor Andrew Prokop (Taber Trout Pond Presentation)	X
<b>7. MEDIA INQUIRIES</b>	
<b>8. CLOSED SESSION</b>	
<b>9. OPEN SESSION</b>	
<b>10. CLOSE OF MEETING</b>	

## Recreation Board Request for Decision

**Meeting Date:** June 1, 2023

**Subject:**  
Recreation Board Minutes

**Recommendation:**  
That the Recreation Board adopts the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Recreation Board held on May 4, 2023, as presented.

**Background:**  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Recreation Board held on May 4, 2023

**Legislation / Authority:**  
MGA, Section 208(1)(a)(c)

**Strategic Plan Alignment:**  
N/A

**Financial Implication:**  
N/A

**Service Level / Staff Resource Implication:**  
N/A

**Justification:**  
Approval of minutes is in accordance with the Municipal Government Act Section 208



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**Alternative(s):**

That the Recreation Board adopts the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Recreation Board held on May 4, 2023 as amended.

**Attachment(s):** Minutes

**APPROVALS:**

**Originated By:**  
Marty Planger

**Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or Designate:** \_\_\_\_\_

03/2023

MINUTES OF THE TABER RECREATION BOARD MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON May 4, 2023 AT 5:30 PM.

PRESENT:

Darcy Firth  
Councillor Joanne Sorensen  
Brett McCoy  
Cody Fletcher  
Councillor Brian Hildebrand  
Mayor Andrew Prokop, sat in for Councillor J. Brewin

ABSENT: Taylor Gouw  
Councillor Jack Brewin (Excused)

ALSO PRESENT:

Brian Martin, Recreation Manager  
Marty Planger, Recording Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER**

Darcy Firth called the Regular Meeting of the Taber Recreation Board to order at 5:30 PM.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

RES. 09/2023 MOVED by Councillor B. Hildebrand that the Recreation Board adopt the agenda with the following changes:

**Move:** DELEGATIONS 6.1 and to be moved to prior to 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

**A) Regular meeting – March 2, 2023**

RES. 010/2023 MOVED by Mayor A. Prokop that the Recreation Board adopts the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Recreation Board held on March 2, 2023, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **DELEGATIONS**

### **A) Taber Lacrosse Association**

Jared Capner, President of the Taber Lacrosse Association was at the meeting to introduce their organization to the Board. In 2018 Taber formed its first team which played in Lethbridge and it was in 2019 when the Association was formed and began playing in the Taber Large and Small Arenas. They now are the home of 7 teams and run every night with the exception of Fridays (April-Mid July). Taber has become a central hub for the A division on Sundays. There is also a Jr B program which is now in its 2<sup>nd</sup> year and is performing very well.

The plan is over the next couple of years to start a Field Lacrosse group which would run Mid July through to late October and would require an adapted soccer pitch and they would supply their own nets. The outside game has 10 players instead of 6 and is what is looked at for Collegiate scholarships. The ultimate goal for the Lacrosse would be to have a field house which would allow them to train, run clinics, and leagues all year. Mr. Capner stressed that the Small Arena is vital for their younger programs and without it, would struggle building their sport.

Currently, the club is focusing on building awareness and are hitting the schools and offering "Try Lacrosse" nights and hope to move into the rural areas as well.

The Board thanked Mr. Capner for his presentation and for all he and others are doing to build the sport in Taber. It's great to have options for everyone.

RES. 11/2023 MOVED by Councillor J. Sorensen that the Recreation Board accepts the Taber Lacrosse presentation, as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – None**

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **A) Information for the Recreation Board**

The Members reviewed the items presented and were given the opportunity to ask for any of these topics to be expanded on or to discuss any other topic of interest.



It was mentioned that stocking of the Trout Pond will take place once the pond is filled. It was confirmed that the 2023 Southern Alberta Summer Games has been cancelled. SARA is working with a host committee, will announce soon, and is looking for 2025 and 2026 hosts.

It was noted that the baseball diamonds at KMMSC does not have any bathrooms, which B. Martin reported that the Operations Manager has been working with the new supplier on moving them around and it was supposed to happen this week.

It was reported that the batting cage mesh needs to be patched and hung properly. B. Martin will remind Operations Manager.

Concession at the KMMSC was discussed and B. Martin reported that there has been a push to get it done by the June 2, High School Provincials. The builders are doing their best to make that happen. This will be a great asset to be able to host bigger tournaments in Taber.

Administration discussed the field conditions and the lack of shale and cost to rebuild with shale. The department is bringing in a specialist who is coming out to tour and give some alternatives. More to come on the findings.

The Trout Pond was discussed a bit. The Board would like to see plans for the park. The Trout Pond Committee is working on a Master Plan and will eventually have an updated plan. B. Martin will supply the Board with the current plan, but stressed it will change some. The playground and accessible are great additions. Also, the irrigation added last year for the campsites looks to have saved most of the trees and the plan is to add a few more at the sites.

D. Firth reported the Taber Hall of Fame event in April was a wonderful event and it was great to see the two inductees be recognized for their achievements. Everyone was encouraged to nominate other worthy individuals in the town.

The Board discussed the request for horse riding permission at the Trout Pond area and its status. Administration reported the users have met twice with the Director mediating and will continue to meet until they come to a consensus. The Board stressed that the users all form a group, and the joint user group present at a future Recreation Board, prior to going to Council for decision.

**RECOGNITION AWARDS – None**

**MEDIA INQUIRIES - None**

**CLOSED SESSION - None**

**CLOSE OF MEETING**

RES.12/2023 MOVED by B. McCoy that this Regular Meeting of the Taber Recreation Board is hereby closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:23 PM

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CHAIRMAN

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## Recreation Board Request for Decision

**Meeting Date: June 1, 2023**

**Subject:**

Information for the Recreation Board

**Recommendation:**

"No motion required"

**Background:**

This communication is provided simply as information for the Recreation and no comment is needed. In some cases, thought, the Recreation Board may wish to seek clarification on the matter from Administration, or even challenge the matter through discussion. Placing the information on the Recreation Boards agenda allows these opportunities:

1. Canada Day Committee continues to plan the July 1<sup>st</sup> events
2. Backyard BBQ event has been cancelled for this year
3. Administration is working as a mediator of the trail user groups in hopes of coming up with an agreement to take to Council. Had an initial meeting on May 15 for it's 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting
4. Department researching grants for current projects
5. Annual Kids Can Catch event is to be held on June 18, 9am-12pm. Town if proud to have the MNP as a partner once again this year
6. Staff working on 2023 Capital projects Kiwanis Playground, tennis court resurfacing, pool lockers, irrigation projects, and purchase of equipment
7. The Taber Trout Pond Playground has been completed as well as the Accessible Pad has been installed
8. Playgrounds have all been inspected
9. The Department have been facilitating many Community Special Events being run by a variety of individuals/organizations held this spring and the summer looks to be a very busy one in Taber
10. Spray Park has been opened for the season
11. Planning of the Senior Week events, including the Council Sponsored Breakfast to kick off the week on June 5<sup>th</sup> at 8am
12. The new Electric Ice Surfacers arrived last week
13. Working hard to get irrigation throughout the parks and green spaces

**Legislation / Authority:**

N/A





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**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

General information therefore does not specifically apply

**Financial Implication:**

Costs will be associated with various items listed above as per the 2023-Operating budget

**Service Level / Staff Resource Implication:**

Staff resources to be utilized for all items listed above

**Justification:**

To keep the Recreation Board informed of current municipal information and correspondences

**Alternative(s):**

1. The Recreation Board could seek clarification on any matters from Administration
2. The Recreation Board could discuss, in depth, any of the matters raised by the communication and take action through a resolution

**Attachment(s):**

**APPROVALS:**

**Originated By:**

Marty Planger

Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or Designate: \_\_\_\_\_



## Recreation Board Request for Decision

**Meeting Date:** June 1, 2023

**Subject:**

Delegation - Mayor Andrew Prokop (Taber Trout Pond Presentation)

**Recommendation:**

That the Recreation Board accepts the presentation given by Mayor Andrew Prokop regarding the Taber Trout Pond, for information.

**Background:**

At the May 4, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Recreation Board, one of the members asked for an update on the plans for the Taber Trout Pond Project. Mr. Martin informed the Board that the Taber Trout Pond Committee is currently in the process of coming up with a Master Plan for the area, so the original plans may no longer be accurate. Mayor Prokop offered to visit at a future meeting to discuss the history of the project.

**Legislation / Authority:**

Recreation Board Bylaws

**Strategic Plan Alignment:**

Improve Internal & External Communication

**Financial Implication:**

N/A

**Service Level / Staff Resource Implication:**

N/A



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**Justification:**

Some of the Board Members were not on the Recreation Board or do not know the history of the Taber Trout Pond Area and how the Project came about.

**Alternative(s):**

1. The Recreation Board could request more information.

**Attachment(s):**

**APPROVALS:**

**Originated By:**  
Marty Planger

**Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or Designate:** \_\_\_\_\_