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May 5, 2011

MINUTES OF THE TABER RECREATION BOARD MEETING HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ON May 5, 2011 AT
5:15 PM

PRESENT: Councilor Rick Popadynetz
Councilor Randy Sparks
Councilor Ben Elfring
Danielle Hansen
Tim O'Donnell
Jill Marshall
Luke Wijna (Arrived 5:19)

ALSO PRESENT:

Aline Holmen, Leisure Services Manager
Rob Cressman, Director of Public Services
Marty Planger, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Tim O'Donnell called the Regular Meeting of the Taber Recreation Board
to order at 5:15 pm

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RES. 29/2011 MOVED by Councilor R. Sparks to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1. Regular meeting – April 7, 2011

RES. 30/2011 MOVED by Councilor R. Popadynetz that the Recreation Board adopt
the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Recreation Board held on April
7, 2011 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

A) Sponsorship

A. Holmen presented the sponsorship report, reviewed the options
available to the Town, and requested the Recreation Board consider
making a recommendation to Council.

It was brought up by members several times that it would be nice to not
have anymore delays and move forward.

L. Wijna arrived 5:19 pm

There was discussion on the value of finding someone to work on a commission basis. The board was concerned that this may lead to someone who does fundraising not sponsorship. Discussion as to which way the Board would like to go and they felt sponsorship was more viable. Discussion around fundraising for the Town is not as easy as fundraising for a "cause".

The board expressed their apprehension about spending \$120,000 with no guarantee of a return. The board discussed existing sponsorships such as with Coca Cola Bottling (expires September 30, 11) and the sign at the community centre.

It was questioned as to whether there is currently anyone qualified on staff to do a town wide audit and it was explained that staff can tell you what the property is valued at for insurance purposes however there is no one on staff who can tell you what is valuable to a prospective sponsor and at what amount.

The board expressed concern about the ownership and control of the information that would be collected by a third party. It was explained that since the Town would be a party to any resulting sponsorship agreements, the Town will have access to and "own" such agreements.

The board discussed the Request For Proposal (RFP) process and agreed this may be a way to receive information from these firms who have not provided such information up until this point. Proposals would then come back to the board for review at which time they would decide which one, if any they would recommend Council select. If the RFP process is approved by Council the Recreation Board requested that details of the RFP come back to the board at the June Recreation Board meeting and be released to the public by July. Proposals could then be presented to the Recreation Board at the regular meeting in September.

The board discussed how the money would be allocated. Funds would be entered as operating revenue in the appropriate operating function (such as the arenas, pool, etc..) to offset operating expenses which would then ultimately have an effect on user fees but still allow some flexibility as to how the funds could be utilized.

The Recreation Board cautioned Administration that the RFP not be too limiting as they didn't want to see the Town have to do the process over again.

RES. 31/2011 MOVED by Councilor R. Sparks that the Recreation Board accept the Sponsorship report as presented and that the Recreation Board recommends Council direct administration to undertake a competitive RFP process in accordance with the Towns purchasing policy, structured

in a way to invite consultants in the field to submit their proposals and allowing the option of selecting components of those proposals.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INFORMATION ITEMS

A) Southern Alberta Recreation Association

A. Holmen reported that Medicine Hat is hosting the 2011 Southern Alberta Games and Raymond is hosting in 2012. Registration has begun. Medicine Hat is very well organized and has updated many of the games processes. The Games look to be extremely promising and will be held July 6-9.

RES. 32/2011 MOVED by Councilor B. Elfring that the Recreation Board accepts the Southern Alberta Recreation Association minutes as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BOARD/STAFF REPORTS

I. Reports

A. Holmen highlighted the Rick Hansen event which starts in August and is tentatively scheduled to be in Taber February 18, 2012. The event will mirror the Olympic Torch Relay but with less restrictions.

The Ver-Set Hockey School will run here in Taber July 31-Aug 13 and the ice will remain in following the camp. The organizer has agreed to have it in Taber for the next three years. Main ice user groups have been given the first opportunity to book the extended ice and the remaining will be opened to the public to book. Small ice & Curling parking lots will be rented out for R.V. parking for the duration of the hockey school and the small ice and pool will also be utilized by the participants.

There will be another Rumble in the Cage event in the arena June 4. Taber Boxing Commission meets tonight to formally approve the event and planning is underway.

Skatepark bench is at the shop however the weather has delayed the installation for them as well as the trees. Sportsfields have been the priority. There was also a concern with the overflowing garbage bins. The board was pleased the skaters were utilizing the garbage bins however there may be a need for more in the park. Also, there was a request that the two paths that are being worn by the bikes be paved.

It was discussed that it would be nice to continue with the walking trail plans to go past the graveyard and meet up with the park road. It was reported that the Town and the MD are currently working on this option. There is a concern about bikers coming down too quickly and running into unsuspecting walkers.

The Recreation facilities user survey is going well however it is too early to report any findings as all of the data has not been collected.

RES. 33/2011 MOVED by J. Marshall that the Recreation Board accepts the monthly Board/Staff reports as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Recognition Awards

II. Recognition Awards

RES. 34/2011 MOVED by Danielle Hansen that the Recreation Board recommends that the following team/individuals receive Recognition Awards:

1. Bronze Medal – Brandi Merritt – 2011 ITF World Championship Individual Specialty Breaking
2. Bronze Medal – Brandi Merritt – 2011 ITF World Championship Team Specialty Breaking
3. Bronze Medal – Brandi Merritt – 2011 ITF World Championship Team Sparring

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 35/2011 MOVED by L. Wijna that this Regular Meeting of the Taber Recreation Board do now close.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:40 PM

It was announced that the next meeting will be June 2, 2011 unless you hear otherwise.



CHAIRMAN