



**Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes  
for the May 16, 2022 meeting  
held at 7:00 p.m. in the Arena Board Room**

**Present:** Councillor Linda Seccaspina, Reeve Richard Kidd, John Andrews,  
Todd Boyce, Tom Marshall, Paul Pillisworth, Bill Levesque,  
Manager of Recreation and Culture Joanne Henderson.  
**Absent:** Jan Ferguson (regrets)

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**A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by John Andrews  
Seconded by Tom Marshall  
THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**B. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE  
THEREOF – now or anytime during the meeting**

None at this time.

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Bill Levesque  
Seconded by Paul Pillsworth  
THAT the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held on April 4,  
2022 be approved as circulated and read.

**CARRIED**

**D. PUBLIC MEETING**

None

## E. DELEGATIONS

### 1. Maureen Bostock, Mississippi River Gathering Place

Maureen Bostock, Colleen Gray and Debby Lytle gave a Powerpoint presentation on the proposed Mississippi River Gathering Place. The presentation included the following information:

- The location of the gathering place at the southwest limit of Riverside Park closest to the boat launch;
- Details of the north and south entrances;
- the location of the rock for the fire bowl; and
- the location of the information panel

Members of the Committee were afforded the opportunity to ask questions. After all questions had been addressed, the presenters were thanked for their presentation and they left the meeting.

## F. REPORTS

### 1. Communication 133054

Received from: Lanark County Neighbours for Truth & Reconciliation  
Addressed to: Parks and Recreation Committee  
Date: May 16, 2022  
Topic: Mississippi River Gathering Place Detailed Proposal

#### SUMMARY

The project working group has been working together for the last several months to prepare a detailed plan for the area where the Gathering Place will be located in Riverside Park. The details include the welcoming pillars, ceremonial fire bowl area and an informative panel/plaque. Maureen Bostock will present a power point presentation to the Parks and Recreation Committee depicting the plans for the area.

#### COMMENT

The gathering place in Riverside Park will offer an area where all can come together for ceremonial occasions and will also provide an opportunity for learning and celebration as friends.

**Moved by Todd Boyce**

**Seconded by Paul Pillsworth**

**THAT the Parks and Recreation Committee approve the plans for the Mississippi River Gathering Place as presented.**

**CARRIED**

## G. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.