

PINE TREE PATHWAYS COMMITTEE MINUTES
May 16, 2017

In Attendance: A. Chandler, L. Chandler, J. Brown
J. Poirier, M. Pilipishen, J. MacKenzie

Absent: T. Brown, Kelli Peyser

Gallery:

Recording Secretary: Holly Toews, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Anita Chandler.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED BY: L. Chandler

SECONDED BY: J. Poirier

THAT the Agenda for the Pine Tree Pathways Committee Meeting, Tuesday, May 16, 2017 be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

3. Declaration of Conflict or Pecuniary Interest:

None

4. Approval of Previous Minutes:

MOVED BY: J. Brown

SECONDED BY: M. Pilipishen

THAT the Minutes of the previous meeting of April 11, 2017 be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

5. Old Business

5.1 2017 Budget Submission - Update

Budget has gone to Council for approval at the next Regular Council Meeting.

5.2 Canada 150 tree plant; seedlings from M. Hellsten

A total of 9 Red Maples has been ordered from Schmidt's Greenhouse. The trees will be roughly 5' tall. The public works crew will remove the trees that have been flagged by Lloyd at the waterfront and will prepare the site for planting the red maples.

Lloyd, Anita, Judy and Dennis also obtained 3 sugar maple and about 12 red maple seedlings from Mr. Hellsten's property. The seedlings are in pots at the Community Garden for 1 to 1 1/2 years to keep them safe from deer and allow them to grow proper root balls before planting at the water front.

5. Old Business (con't)

5.3 Picnic Area Ramp Project

The public works crew will use the loader to create a slope instead of the steep climb that is there now. The Committee hasn't decided if they will lay sidewalk slabs, concrete or a wooden ramp up to the flat picnic table area, including a railing to aid access up the slope. Once the slope has been formed, Lloyd will speak to Marcel Pacquin to see what type of ramp he would recommend.

No date has been set yet; it will depend on the public works crew.

5.4 PTP Sign at Waterfront

Anita contacted Burton Penner, he will look at the sign and get back to Anita about what repairs are needed and the cost.

5.5 Katimavik Trail Signage

Would like to get Lillian Berg students involved in doing write ups. The Committee would give the students suggestions for topics: local vegetation, rocks/granite etc., the write up could include a picture of the student. As the school year is almost done this will be a project for next school year. Marcia will ask the teachers if they would be interested in a project like this.

6. New Business

6.1 Correspondence from Forests Ontario

Forests Ontario is marking Ontario 150 and Canada 150 by launching 2 initiatives that celebrate the legacy of our forests and establishing future forests. Correspondence attached to these Minutes.

Lloyd thought a submission to the Heritage Tree Program could be done about the old growth white pine on White Pine Trail. He believes this tree is close to 300 years old.

Also the Red Maples being planted this summer might be a project that could be considered for Ontario's Green Leaf Challenge which maps and tracks the trees planted across the province.

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5. Old Business (con't)

Lloyd and Anita will go on the Forests Ontario website to get more information on both initiatives and report back to the Committee.

6.2 Work Party Date

The Trails are in good shape at the moment. Will wait to set a work party date when ready to plant the red maples.

7. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 20th, 2017, 4:00 pm at Fort Vermilion.

8. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.