

**MACHIN RECREATION AND WOODLAND ARENA COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

March 14, 2019

In Attendance: Garry Parkes, Tony Blair, Peter Moody, Felecia McNally, Norbert Bruyere, Brent Wood, John Bratland, Louis Robichaud

Absent: Sherri Spanjers

Recording Secretary: Tammy Rob, Clerk Treasurer

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Garry Parkes.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED BY: N. Bryere

SECONDED BY: P. Moody

THAT the Agenda for the Recreation Committee Meeting, Thursday, March 14, 2019 be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

3. Declaration of Conflict or Pecuniary Interest:

None

4. Approval of Previous Minutes:

MOVED BY: B. Wood

SECONDED BY: P. Moody

THAT the Minutes of the previous meeting of February 15, 2019 be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

5. Brain Storming

Arena

- Installing new LED lights – The Committee discussed funding for the new lights, could try fundraising. Need to get a cost to change the lights.
- Louis is making up pamphlets to take to the tourist camps in the area. Ask the tourist camps to donate and in return their cliental would have the use of the arena from May to September free of charge (gym, ping pong/broom ball/pickle ball/baseball/basketball) He has 2 camps interested already. This will help to let people know what is in Vermilion Bay like the dock, school, Coop etc.

5. Brain Storming: Arena (con't)

- Louis wants to build walls on either side of the bleachers to help keep it warmer and won't waste heat.
- Tony wants to focus on reducing costs during the six months that the arena is open in the winter. The Committee agreed to work on tightening up the operations that are running now. Hydro bills will be given to the arena each month.
- Norbert brought up alcohol being brought into the arena. The Committee needs to address this.
- Brent suggested turning off ½ of the lights on Friday nights after hockey is finished and while cleaning the ice to help save hydro.
- Canteen person be able to take payments for ice time and close up the arena allowing the other worker to go home.
- The Committee discussed different ways of fundraising for the arena. Summer BBQ/dance.
- The Committee would like to put things in order and introduce new procedures before the arena opens next winter so that the arena runs efficiently and smoothly.
- The Committee agreed that there should be no dogs in the arena.
- Canteen – there are so many new foods introduced which is good but it takes more time for staff to prepare and canteen staff can't leave the kitchen to do other things. Also conflicts with the minor hockey tournaments when the minor hockey league sells chili on a bun at the school. Committee will look at the menu.

Summer Recreation

- Garry would like Felicia to spear head some summer activities for kids and adults within the community. Ball tournaments, etc.
- Arena capacity is 197 people so trying to organize a dance at the arena would not work. Also there would be issues with liquor license and security.

Next meeting April 12, 2019 at 2 pm

Adjourn at 6:16 pm