



## **Corporation of the Township of Chisholm**

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Gail Degagne, Mayor  
Lesley Marshall, CAO Clerk-Treasurer

### **RECREATION COMMITTEE – AGENDA Wednesday, March 4, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m. In Person**

#### **CALL TO ORDER & ACKNOWLEDGE FIRST NATIONS PEOPLES AND LAND**

*“We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe Peoples, in the Robinson-Huron and Williams Treaties areas. We wish to acknowledge the long history of First Nations and Metis Peoples in Ontario and show respect to the neighbouring Indigenous communities. We offer our gratitude for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and our relations. May we continue to honor these teachings.”*

1. Call to Order.
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Approval of Minutes, dated January 7, 2026.
4. Business arising from last meeting:
  - (a) Kids Christmas Workshop
  - (b) Valentines Card Making Workshop for seniors
  - (c) Family Day Event at Orange Park
  - (d) Sunday Cards
  - (e) Signage
  - (f) Orange Park naming contest
  - (g) Chisholm Pumpkin Tour
5. Open Forum.
6. New Business:
  - (a) Memo from Monique re – Family Day
  - (b) Memo from Monique re – Bottle Drive
  - (c) Easter 2026
7. Adjournment.



## MINUTES

### Recreation Committee Meeting @ Council Chambers Wednesday, January 7, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m.

Present: Bernadette Kerr, Gail Degagne, Suad Radwan, Ian Vanblyderveen

Regrets: n/a

Absent: n/a

Staff: Monique Mclsaac (recording secretary)

Guests:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Chairperson, Gail Degagne @ 7:10 p.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Resolution 2026-01 (REC)**

Ian Vanblyderveen and Suad Radwan: Be it resolved that the Agenda for the Recreation meeting, dated January 7, 2026 be accepted as written and distributed.

**"Carried"**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Resolution 2026-02(REC)**

Bernadette Kerr and Ian Vanblyderveen: Be it resolved the Minutes of the Recreation meeting of December 3, 2025 be accepted as written and distributed.

**"Carried"**

4. (a) **Kids Christmas Workshop (Gingerbread House Making):**

The event was very successful with 16 kids, positive feedback and comments. Next year the committee will get a back drop for the Santa pictures, which was a huge hit!

(b) **Valentines Card Making 2026 Workshop (all ages):**

Date: Saturday, February 7, 2026

Time: 1:00 p.m. (no end time to be set).

Materials: Suad will provide the materials.

\*\* No registration required\*\*

Monique to print Valentine card pictures. There will be a basket left at the office with some of the cards for anyone who would like to pick them up for anyone who is shut in.

(c) Family Day Event:

Date: Monday, February 16, 2026  
Time: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Location: Orange Park (tennis courts)  
Events: Skating (outdoor rink – weather permitting), hot dogs, bonfire, hot chocolate.

Monique to provide Bernie with a letter for Hodge's Valu Mart requesting donations (hotdogs, buns, condiments, hot chocolate).

Ian to provide the wood/kindling, firepit and sticks for the hotdogs, and will also bring his own tables for the event.

Misc. Items: Napkins, hand sanitizer, garbage can & recycling box, foil pans (if needed) are all available from the office. Large thermos is at the office as well and will be left out for the event (Monique's tip: 1 large container of the powdered hot chocolate makes 51 cups, but I would add extra 5-6 cups hot water, and when mixing it I would use an electric hand-held mixer (☺)). Paper cups need to be purchased.

Event will be put in the Newsletter and Facebook with "...please watch the website and Facebook pages for any updates/changes".

(d) Sunday Cards:

Start date: Sunday, January 25, 2026 (every other Sunday)  
End date: Sunday, May 3, 2026  
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Monique to check with Lesley to see if she is ok with someone else having keys just to access council chambers, that office that is not staff or council for the card games. It was discussed that the cupboards could be locked (which would need to be purchased).

(e) Signage: Follow up with Lesley to see if she has heard anything further from Kendra re – signage. Brooks Tran did the cement work, Dave Goodwin (Near North) dug the holes. Yes, it is still having a roof.

5. Open Forum

(a) Park naming contest for "Orange Park". This will be a future event and will be piggybacked with the rec's pumpkin tour event (October).

Park naming contest to be advertised in the Newsletters and Facebook page:

"The Recreation Committee is looking for an official name for Orange Park (tennis courts) - please submit to [admin@chisholm.ca](mailto:admin@chisholm.ca). Voting will take place at the Chisholm Pumpkin Tour event" in October.

(b) Chisholm Pumpkin Tour:

Rec. would like to invite Katrina from Adagio and Matt from Fox Fire to attend a meeting and ask them to provide their comments and feedback to help with Chisholm's pumpkin tour event. Bernie will send them a joint message regarding this.

OPP said they would attend this event and set up an information table. Bernie has people who would be interested in setting up craft tables for this event, and it will be advertised as well "looking for vendors". It was discussed that no fee to be charged, but also a minimum donation of \$10.00 would be requested.

**Resolution 2026-03(REC)**

Suad Radwan and Bernie Kerr: Be it resolved that this meeting of the Recreation Committee now be adjourned (@ 8:13 p.m.) and that the next meeting be scheduled for Wednesday, February 4, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

**'Carried'**

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Chairperson

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Recording Clerk

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## Memorandum

**To:** Rec. Committee  
**CC:**  
**From:** Monique  
**Date:** February 20, 2026  
**Re:** Bottle Drive

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Public Works dropped off the bottles from the landfill and an additional \$142.60 was made from the bottle drive.

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**Re:** 2026 Family Day

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Hodge's donated the buns/hotdogs/condiments (ketchup/mustard) & 1 large container of hot chocolate, all of which were used, and the leftover pop and water were finished up as well.

3 bags of marshmallows were provided and 1.5 bags were unused (the opened bag was put in the garbage, and the other unopened bag is in the kitchen cupboard at the office).

The leftover (opened) ketchup/mustard (1 of each) are in the fridge at the office and I have labeled and dated them "rec. comm. – Feb. 2026", and a package of 80 paper cups were purchased, and all but 8 cups were used.

Pictures were provided to Lesley, and were posted on Facebook and Hodge's were acknowledged for their donations as well.