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Gail Degagne, Mayor

Lesley Marshall, CAO Clerk-Treasurer

RECREATION COMMITTEE – AGENDA Wednesday, January 7, 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 December 3, 2025.
4. Business arising from last meeting:
 - (a) Kids Christmas Workshop
 - (b) Valentines Card Making Workshop
 - (c) February – Monthly Event – Cards for seniors
 - (d) Family Day Event at Orange Park
 - (e) Sunday Cards
5. Open Forum.
6. New Business:
7. Adjournment.



MINUTES

Recreation Committee Meeting @ Council Chambers Wednesday, December 3, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

Present: Bernadette Kerr, Gail Degagne (via zoom), Suad Radwan, Ian Vanblyderveen

Regrets: n/a

Absent: n/a

Staff: Monique McIsaac (recording secretary)

Guests:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairperson, Gail Degagne @ 7:03 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution 2025-21 (REC)

Ian Vanblyderveen and Suad Radwan: Be it resolved that the Agenda for the Recreation meeting, dated December 3, 2025 be accepted as written and distributed.

"Carried"

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution 2025-22(REC)

Bernadette Kerr and Ian Vanblyderveen: Be it resolved the Minutes of the Recreation meeting of November 13, 2025 be accepted as written and distributed.

"Carried"

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

Gail will reach out to her contacts at St. Gregory's and Mapleridge to see if there is a way Bernie can leave copies of the Christmas flyer, advertising the event. Monique will leave copies of the flyer in Bernie's mailbox at the office.

Confirmed start time of 1:00 p.m. with no set end time, and Santa will be there to take pictures with. Monique to contact Ray and see if he will be Santa.

(b) Valentines Card Making 2026 Workshop:

Date: Saturday, February 7, 2026

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

Materials: Suad will provide the materials.

"Both young and old are welcome to come and make cards for the seniors home. The Recreation Committee needs your help, need your hands, to make Valentine's Day special for the seniors. Come in for an hour..... come in for a minute! Any help will be appreciated!"

Once the cards are made, a basket will be left at the office for anyone to pick up cards for anyone that is shut in.

5. OPEN FORUM:

(a) Family Day Event:

Date: Monday, February 16, 2026

Time: TBD

Location: Orange Park

Events: Skating (outdoor rink), hot dogs, bonfire, hot chocolate.

Bernie will ask about hot chocolate donations.

(b) Pumpkin Carving 2026:

Discussed piggybacking this with the annual pumpkin tour.

The OPP would be willing to come to the pumpkin event and set up an information table. Games, vendor tables, face painting, chicken BINGO, were also discussed as possible activities to be held that day.

(c) Sunday Cards:

Monique to confirm when they started in 2025.

(d) Signage: Who did the cement? Dave (Near North) dug the holes. What are the next steps? Ian's understanding is that some people backed out. Dave was supposed to do the piers. Still having a roof? This project continues to be volunteered based.

(e) Park naming contest: Future event for "Orange Park".

(f) Website: Monique to add a page on the township website – thanking businesses who have provided donations.

Resolution 2025-23(REC)

Suad Radwan and Ian Vanblyderveen: 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, January 7, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

'Carried'

Chairperson

Recording Clerk