

**Argyle Municipal Recreation Commission
Minutes
September 20, 2007**

Present: Emile Babin Vernon Pothier Peter Hansen
 Bruce Hubbard Arthur Muise Nicole Albright
 Greg Pottier Amy Cottreau Ginette d'Entremont
 Krista Nickerson

Regrets: Kendrick d'Entremont Maurice Babin Greg Cottreau

Absent: Roderick Murphy Jr.

1. Emile Babin, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
2. Emile Babin welcomed everyone to the meeting.
3. There were no declarations.
4. Bruce Hubbard moved to accept the agenda. Arthur Muise seconded. Motion Carried.
5. Bruce Hubbard moved to accept the minutes of June 21, 2007 with an amendment. *"An individual requested assistance in sending her 3 children to Camp Peniel at the cost of \$60.00 each through the Kids First Fund."*
6. Ginette d'Entremont moved her treasurer's report. Vernon Pothier seconded. Motion Carried.
7. Ginette d'Entremont moved her director's report. Peter Hansen seconded. Motion Carried.
8. OLD BUSINESS
 - 8.1. Yet another summer has come and gone with great success. The day camps operated rather smoothly, with Pubnico increasing its numbers during the first couple of weeks and Wedgeport starting off rather slowly. More sports camps were offered with some of them being held for two days. The two day camps were very good as it gave a chance to teach the children the sport and then the second day was spent mostly playing the sport. Changes need to be made for next year in a few areas. Some of the sports camps will not be offered again due to low attendance. The youth pick-up sports need to be looked at to see what changes need to be made to ensure adequate attendance. The day camp attendance sheets also need to be looked at to see whether we need to change the number of staff working at these camps. Staff was great this year. The activities for the seniors included; Carpet Bowling, 9 people attended; Seniors Bus Trip to Annapolis, 2 buses went; Senior's Walk at the Credit Union trail, 8 seniors attended; Senior Games; 140 attended; Picnic at the Glenwood Hall; 55 attended; and Golf in Pubnico; 27 attended.
9. NEW BUSINESS
 - 9.1. Ginette d'Entremont will be attending the South Shore Valley conference on September 26 & 27 and Ginette d'Entremont, Emile Babin, Greg Pottier, Bruce Hubbard, and Roderick Murphy Jr. will be attending the Recreation Nova Scotia

Conference on October 17, 18, 19, & 20. Both conferences are held at the Pines in Digby.

- 9.2.** The Haunted Courthouse will be held on Friday, October 26, 2007. Anyone interested in helping out, please let Ginette d'Entremont know.
 - 9.3.** The 31st Yarmouth County athletic Awards Banquet will be held on Friday, November 16 at the Yarmouth Fire Hall. Information packages have already been sent out so that we can try to get the information needed for the program early this year. If you know of any individuals deserving of the 5 special awards given out please provide us with their names. Last year 4 of the 5 recipients were from the Municipality of Argyle. Amy Cottreau mentioned that Jon Rountree would be a good candidate.
 - 9.4.** The future maintenance of fields within the Municipality should be looked at. At this time we have one more year of a five year contract to maintain the existing fields. Ginette d'Entremont would like to look into the possibility of using the money we spend on all the fields and putting it to maintaining three fields properly within the Municipality. Your thoughts on this matter would be greatly appreciated. These fields that we are maintaining are not being used. If baseball comes back, then we will look into it at that time. Maybe we could contract local people in the summer to mow the fields. We will look at it again in the next year.
- 10.** We received correspondence (post cards) from the 3 children that we sent to Camp Peniel through the Kids First Fund. We also received a thank you card from Jon Rountree. We gave him a donation to go to France for a Power Lifting competition.
 - 11.** The Tennis Court in Pubnico is in bad shape. Ginette d'Entremont contracted out to Gary d'Entremont to repair the tennis court. He took out the old tennis posts and filled up the holes with concrete. He also cleaned the outside of the court and cleaned up the trees growing inside the court. The cost will be approximately \$2000 to repair this. Ginette d'Entremont priced basketball nets and hockey nets that may be put up as well.

Ginette d'Entremont is in the process of organizing another senior's bus trip for October. The cost to rent a bus is \$1460 plus tax. Ginette d'Entremont will contact Austin Saulnier and Steve Adams from both school boards to see if we are able to rent the buses from the school board.

Arthur Muise questioned how much the insurance is for soccer and why is there no banquet. Ginette d'Entremont explained that the insurance for Soccer Skills, Under 08, and Under 10 costs \$14.50 per child and for Under 12 and Under 14 the cost is \$19.50. Ginette also explained that there is no banquet because the kids do not attend it, so instead the soccer club purchased water bottles for each child to have, as well as medals for the tournament winners.

- 12.** Nicole Albright- Washer Tournament at SAR Club on September 29, 2007. There is a fundraiser for the roof of the SAR Church on Saturday, September 22, 2007 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Arthur Muise- Quinan Youth has a dance at ESPB on June 22, 2007. They also had a fundraiser at the Quinan Picnic for 2 pipes and Basketball nets for the Quinan court.
Peter Hansen- Fireman's Cribbage starts on October 5, 2007.

13. The next meeting date will be on October 25, 2007.

14. Arthur Muise moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Vernon Pothier seconded.

Approved by:

Chairperson

Recreation Director

Date