



**ARGYLE MUNICIPAL RECREATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2018  
5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.**

**Present:** Nicole Albright, Scott Surette, Kathy Bourque, Chris Doucette, Lorelei Atkinson, Mariette d'Entremont, Maurice Babin, Aldéric Boudreau, Natalie d'Entremont, Ginette d'Entremont

**Regrets:** Basile d'Entremont, Malcolm Madden

**Absent:** Josh Greene, Roderick Murphy Jr.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Nicole Albright at 5:30pm.

**Welcome:** Nicole Albright welcomed the members of the ARC.

**Review & Acceptance of Agenda/ Conflict of Interest Declaration:** On motion by Maurice Babin and seconded by Scott Surette that the agenda is approved as circulated. *Motion Carried*

**Approval of November 21, 2017 minutes:**

On motion by Maurice Babin and seconded by Kathy Bourque that the minutes are approved as amended. *Motion Carried*

**Business arising from the minutes:**

- ✓ **Comeau's Seafood launch pad:** No news to report.
- ✓ **East Pubnico Walking and Biking Park update:** Eastern Fencing has been working on the shelter in-house and should be completed with the next 2 weeks.
- ✓ **Kayak Policy:** The policy has been reviewed by the solicitor and the insurance company and has been amended with the recommendations given.
- ✓ **Active Transportation Workshop:** The Ecology Action Centre want people to form a Provincial Active Alliance. The workshop will be held on February 6, 2018.
- ✓ **Sledge Hockey Awareness Event:** The event was held on January 6, 2018. The event went very well with 2 minor hockey teams participating as well as politicians and a team from Bridgewater. The Para Sport Coordinator, Paul Tingley was present at the event. There was an unveiling of a plaque. There are still some improvements that are needed for the lips from getting on and off the ice as well as in and out of the benches.

### **Financial Report:**

Ginette read through the financial report. It was moved by Ginette d'Entremont and seconded by Scott Surette to accept the financial report as discussed. *Motion Carried*

### **Director of Programming and Active Living Report/Information Items:**

Ginette went through the her report. A discussion was had on the events listed.

It was moved by Ginette d'Entremont and seconded by Kathy Bourque to approve the Director of Programming and Active Living Report. *Motion Carried*

### **Director of Recreation Services Report:**

Natalie read through her report. A discussion was had on the events listed. It was moved by Natalie d'Entremont and seconded by Mariette d'Entremont to approve the Director of Recreation Services Report. *Motion Carried*

### **Old Business:**

- ✓ **Strategic Plan:** It is time to look at the strategic plan because we are at the end of the 3 years. We want to move our recreation department to be the leading department in the area. Let's look at where we want to be in the next 3 years and what do we want to focus on.

### **New Business:**

- ✓ **Plymouth Boat Launch:** There is a wharf in Plymouth that will be going up at the Tax sale in February. Ginette will be filling an RFD (Request for Decision) for council to see if they would be willing to purchase the land, destroy the damaged wharf and use the area as a recreational boat launch (kayaks, canoes, etc.) as there is none in the area that is municipally owned.
- ✓ **Runny Nose Fun Run:** Natalie would like to once again organize the winter fun run. It was suggested it should remain in the same location. It will be held on Saturday February 17, 2018 in Amirault's Hill.
- ✓ **Resignation:** Basile d'Entremont has resigned from the committee after serving 2 years. Natalie has been in touch with Councilor Glenn Digdon so that he can find a replacement from his district.

**Other Business:** None

### **Area Reports**

- **Mariette d'Entremont:** The Pubnico Point trails were damaged by the storm and they may need funds to repair some of it. The Health Club is doing well. They had counted 34 people using the gym in one day from 5:30am to 10pm.
- **Chris Doucette:** Chris feels that his age group doesn't use the trail in Wedgeport unless they have a dog to walk. The trail was damaged from the storm and they are now working to clean it up. It should be fixed by the end of January.
- **Kathy Bourque:** There was damage to the East Side Community Centre furnace leaving the place full of soot.

- **Nicole Albright:** Chase the Ace is continuing on Wednesday evenings at the Club Acadian in SAR

**Next Meeting: ARC meeting February 15, 2018 @ 5:30 pm**

**Adjournment –** It was moved by Kathy Bourque to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 pm.