



Magnetawan Community Development Committee (MCDC)

Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2021

The meeting of the Magnetawan Community Development Committee was held on Wednesday October 12, 2021 6:00 pm with the following present:

Deputy Clerk Laura Brandt (Secretary)
Cathy Loree Bulych
Dan Raaflaub
Daniel Wilson
Merik Szabunio (virtually)
Diane Szabunio (virtually)

Regrets:
Marilyn Raaflaub
Councillor John Hetherington

Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm.

1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

RESOLUTION 2021-28 Bulych-Wilson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Magnetawan Community Development Committee adopts the agenda as presented and circulated.

Carried.

1.3 Appoint Chair

RESOLUTION 2021-29 Wilson-Bulych

WHEREAS the Municipal Procedural By-law 2020-29, outlines that Committees of Council must appoint a Chair;

AND WHEREAS the Magnetawan Community Development Committee is an active committee or board of Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Magnetawan Community Development Committee appoints Danny Raaflaub as chair for the 2021 and 2022 calendar year.

Carried.

1.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

It was stated that should anyone have a disclosure of pecuniary interest that they could declare the nature thereof now or any time during the meeting.

1.5 Adoption of Previous Minutes

RESOLUTION 2021-30 M. Szabunio-D. Szabunio

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Magnetawan Community Development Committee adopts the minutes from the meeting of September 15, 2021.

Carried.

Items Brought Forward

2.1 Verbal Update Digital Photo Frame Heritage Center

The Committee appreciates that Merik has volunteered to continue with the digital photo frame project. The Committee will continue to get updates at meetings and the Committee hopes that this project will be completed over the winter season so the photo frames can be implemented for use in 2022.

2.2 Verbal Update Current Recreational Programming under COVID-19 Protocols

The Secretary advised the Committee that currently the Nordic Pole Walking Group has still been successfully running Mondays and Fridays. As well Pickleball has been running on Wednesdays in the Pavilion and is very well attended. Pickleball will moving to Tuesdays in the upcoming weeks to accommodate moving the programming into the Community Centre due to the change in season. Currently the fitness classes that occur Tuesdays and Thursdays have been put on hold as the fitness instructor has had to cancel teaching. A call for fitness instructors was put forth on municipal social media platforms and Staff did yield one call from a local resident interested in teaching. Staff has asked for the resident to prepare a short bio as well as information on pricing and classes to forward to Committee and Council for approval.

The Secretary was asked to confirm with the Health Unit whether the indoor gathering limits included members of staff.

2.3 Dinner and a Drive-in Movie Event

The Secretary advised the Committee that the Dinner and a Drive-in Movie Event was very successful, and tickets were sold out. Everything ran smoothly the night of the event. There were very many positive comments in person as well as on social media. The Committee discussed the possibility of making this an annual event and separating it into a two-nights, with Friday night having an adult themed movie and Saturday night having a children's themed movie. The Committee did discuss that if occupancy limits do increase, and if the event were to reoccur that the movie screen be set up with the back facing the library/community centre so that more cars can attend as well as opening it up to attendees being able to sit in lawn chairs for the event. If the event were to expand, the Committee was advised that volunteers at the event would be needed. Staff appreciated the help of Chair Raaflaub on the night of this event.

2.4 Verbal Update Halloween

The Secretary advised the Committee that the Lion's Club had been planning an event for Halloween Day but due to the COVID-19 restrictions they will not be having their annually scheduled Halloween event. However, they will be packaging together loot bags for all the students who attend the Magnetawan Central School. The Secretary advised the Committee that the Municipality has purchased treats to donate to the Lion's Club to be included in the loot bags. The Secretary has booked the Community Centre for the Lion's Club to use so that they have a large enough space to make up the loot bags. The Secretary also advised the Committee that there were also funds available in the recreation budget to hold a virtual Halloween Contest similar to the Canada Day Contest. The Halloween contest would have similar categories for best decorated Home and Business as well as colouring contests for ages 12-17 and 12 and under.

Direction was given to Secretary to move forward with the Virtual Halloween Event.

The Chair offered to speak with Ted from the Ahmic Harbour Recreation Committee about donating prize money to their children's costume contest. The prize money would include prizes from 1st through to 10th at monetary values of \$20 for 1st, \$15 for 2nd and \$10 for the remaining up to \$115. The Chair will discuss with Ted the possibility of contestants entering online through social media by submitting a picture as some possible contestants may not be able to attend in person.

2.5 Update Community Rock Snake

The Secretary advised the Committee that the Community Rock Snake Project is nearly ready to be launched. The sign has been installed at the start of the rock snake, the head has been painted and completed, and the students have completed their rocks. The Principal reached out to the Secretary to advise that Wednesday October 20th would be a suitable day and he will be advising the Secretary in the next few days if all or some of the students will be attending to place their rocks. The Secretary along with Parks Staff will be attending the school to pick up the rocks on the morning of the 20th and will be meeting all or some of the students at the start of the rock snake to place all the rocks. The Secretary also advised that a poster will be posted on Municipal Social Media platforms, website and forwarded to the electronic mailing list in the afternoon when the placement of rocks is finished. The Secretary will also be forwarding information and pictures to a local newspaper in hopes that they will publish an article.

The Secretary was also advised that the Magnetawan Agricultural Society will also be offering the painting of a rock (to be added to the rock snake) to be a category in next years Fall Fair. As well a rock painting table will be set up at the Heritage Museum Centre next season in adherence to any COVID-19 protocols.

New Items for Discussion

3.1 Christmas Tree Lighting

The Secretary advised the Committee that typically the Christmas Tree Lighting has been held the first Friday in December starting at 6:30 pm and has included carolling, fire pit, baked goods, hot drinks, and lighting of the tree. The Committee discussed holding the event on Saturday December 4, 2021, instead of the typical Friday night. The Committee discussed having the whole event outside due to the indoor gathering limits and double vaccination requirements of the Community Centre.

The Committee discussed having hot drinks and treats at the event as well as the possibility of having Santa, Mrs. Claus, and sleigh rides. It was also discussed that at one time the Recreation Committee had a sound system that could be utilized for Christmas music at the event.

The Secretary was asked to contact Santa and Mrs. Claus to confirm their attendance as well as to reach out to Trevor Hammond to enquire about pricing for sleigh rides for the event. The Secretary was also asked to locate the portable sound system. The Secretary will also reach out to committee member Marilyn Raaflaub to ask her to reach out to the church in regard to providing treats and carolling as they have provided this in previous years.

The Secretary will be putting out a call for Volunteers to help available the day of the event.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

4.1 Year End Report Locks and Heritage Museum Centre

Items For Future Meeting

4.1 Newly Proposed Ideas for Recreation List of 10 Things

The Committee discussed that currently due to the COVID-19 restrictions that this item be deferred until such time that restrictions allow for the planning of larger events and recreation programming.

Adjournment

5.1 Adjournment

RESOLUTION 2021-31 D. Szabunio- M. Szabunio

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Magnetawan Community Development Committee adjourns this meeting at 7:40 pm to meet again on Tuesday November 09, 2021 at 4:00 pm or at the call of the Chair.

Carried.

Approved by:

Chair

Secretary