



**TOWN OF AURORA
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Date: Thursday, April 21, 2016

Time and Location: 7 p.m., Holland Room, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Councillor Michael Thompson (Chair), Councillor Tom Mrakas (Vice Chair), Juergen Daurer, Richard Doust, Stephen Kimmerer, Eric McCartney, and Brian Trussler

Member(s) Absent: None

Other Attendees: Al Downey, Director of Parks and Recreation Services, and Samantha Kong, Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Moved by Juergen Daurer
Seconded by Stephen Kimmerer**

THAT the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services be approved.

CARRIED

3. RECEIPT OF THE MINUTES

**Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2016
Special Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 31,
2016**

**Moved by Richard Doust
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 18, 2016, and the Special Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 31, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

None

5. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

None

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

**1. Memorandum from Director of Parks & Recreation Services
Re: Club Aurora Membership Pass Summary Report for February 2016**

Staff provided a brief overview of the report. The Committee inquired about how memberships are calculated, and staff advised that they would provide that information to the Committee.

**Moved by Eric McCartney
Seconded by Juergen Daurer**

THAT the memorandum regarding Club Aurora Membership Pass Summary Report for February 2016 be received for information.

CARRIED

**2. Memorandum from Councillor Thompson
Re: Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference**

The Committee reviewed the Terms of Reference and discussed expanding the Committee name to include “sport” and/or “culture”, as well as expanding the membership to include a representative of culture and an additional representative from Sport Aurora. The Committee expressed interest in the creation of a vision statement to help guide goals and responsibilities.

**Moved by Juergen Daurer
Seconded by Richard Doust**

THAT the memorandum regarding Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be received; and

THAT comments of the Committee regarding the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be taken into consideration by staff; and

THAT staff report back with a revised draft Terms of Reference for review and comment by the Committee.

CARRIED

**3. Extract from Council Meeting of March 8, 2016
Re: Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of
February 18, 2016**

**Moved by Richard Doust
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

THAT the Extract from Council Meeting of March 8, 2016, regarding Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 18, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

Staff proposed the inclusion of a verbal report regarding PRAC related issues on future agendas.

The Committee expressed concern about the effects on health from animal excrement on sport fields and play areas, and requested information on related by-laws or policies at the next Committee meeting.

The Committee expressed concern about cracks and water seepage at the Skateboard Park, and staff indicated that Infrastructure and Environmental Services would be able to provide more information. The Committee inquired about smoking at the Skateboard Park, and staff noted that smoking regulations are set out and enforced by the Province of Ontario.

New Business Item #1
Moved by Richard Doust
Seconded by Juergen Daurer

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommend to Council:

THAT a status report regarding water seepage issues at the Skateboard Park be provided to Council and to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for information.

CARRIED

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Juergen Daurer
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NOT BINDING ON THE TOWN UNLESS ADOPTED BY COUNCIL AT A LATER MEETING.