

**Youth Advisory Committee Meeting  
AGENDA**

Monday, March 20, 2017, 4:30 pm  
Tecumseh Town Hall  
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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE TOWN OF TECUMSEH**

A meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) for the Town of Tecumseh was held on Monday, February 13, 2017, in the Council Chambers at Town Hall, 917 Lesperance Road, Tecumseh at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

(YAC 2-1)

**ORDER**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

(YAC 2-2)

**ROLL CALL**

Members Present:	Chair	- Hannah Ruuth
	Member	- Brendan Froese
	Member	- Ava Ruuth
	Member	- Kristi Koutros

Also Present:	Deputy Clerk	- Christina Hebert
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Absent:	Treasurer	- Andre Ducharme
	Member	- Rachel Haddad
	Secretary	- Paytin Gardner

**Election of Vice-Chair**

The Deputy Clerk opens the floor to nominations for the Vice-Chair for the YAC, for a one (1) year term, ending December 1, 2017. Member Ava Ruuth nominates Member Kristi Koutros, seconded by Member Brendan Froese. The nomination is accepted by Member Kristi Koutros.

Motion: (YAC-07/17) Moved by Member Ava Ruuth  
Seconded by Member Brendan Froese

**THAT** Member Kristi Koutros be appointed Vice-Chair of the Youth Advisory Committee for the Town of Tecumseh for a one (1) year term, ending December 1, 2017.

Carried

(YAC 2-3)

**DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None Reported.

(YAC 2-4)

**DELEGATIONS**

None.

(YAC 2-5)

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Minutes**

a) Youth Advisory Committee Meeting held January 17, 2017

Motion: (YAC-08/17) Moved by Member Ava Ruuth  
Seconded by Vice-Chair Kristi Koutros

**THAT** the Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee meeting held January 17, 2017, be approved.

Carried

(YAC 2-6)

**REPORTS**

None.

(YAC 2-7)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Social Media Update**

Member Brendan Froese shows the Committee the revised designs for a YAC logo. The Committee selects the preferred design which will be used as the Committee's Facebook profile picture and in social media promotion.

**2017 Project Planning**

The Deputy Clerk explains the proposed project under the Ontario 150 Partnership Program (Program) and the role of the YAC. The Program provides an excellent opportunity to engage youth in the community by providing workshops and/or a job fair(s) where youth can meet and interact with leaders from different sectors, such as government, business, education, medical, etc., and learn about employment opportunities and how to develop new skills.

The YAC will act as an advisory on the project and assist with advertising the event using social media and as liaisons between the Town and their respective schools to spread awareness about the project.

The Members provide the following ideas for job fair sector participants:

- Engineering
- Security
- Trades
- Local businesses
- Fashion

A suggestion is made to have an ‘incentive’ for youth to encourage attendance, as well as targeting parents, at the job fair. Partnering with the BIA is also recommended.

Following initial discussion at the last YAC meeting, the Members continue to brainstorm potential ideas; including:

- Hosting a mock council meeting with the local elementary schools. This would be an opportunity to educate youth on municipal government while also providing a forum for young students to voice issues facing youth in the community. YAC would utilize this event for recruitment purposes as well.
- A sponsored skate, ideally a weekend in April, at the Tecumseh Arena. A ‘suggestion box’ at the sponsored skate is recommended to receive input and ideas from local youth. Administration will inquire into availability for rink times and cost.
- Hosting a YAC booth at the Corn Festival for local young entrepreneurs to showcase their projects/ideas and participating in the Corn Festival Parade

The Committee will research other municipal YAC’s for further event ideas.

(YAC 2-8)

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

(YAC 2-9)

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the YAC will be held on Monday, March 20, 2017, at 4:30 p.m.

(YAC 2-10)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: (YAC-09/17) Moved by Vice-Chair Kristi Koutros

Seconded by Member Brendan Froese

**THAT** there being no further business, the February 13, 2017, meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee be adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Carried

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Hannah Ruuth, Chair

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Kristi Koutros, Vice-Chair

Hi Christina

Further to our phone conversation last week, here are some suggested events that the Youth Advisory Committee may consider participating and/or sponsoring...

- Earth Day
  - Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - Lakewood Park
  - The Parks & Recreation Department will be coordinating an event that invites the community to help plant a 'naturalization' area within Lakewood Park.
  - Perhaps the YAC could coordinate activities that promote earth day (recycling programs, etc.); perhaps they can coordinate a 'Scavenger Hunt' in the park that gets families to explore the park
- Rock & Swim Sponsorship at the Tecumseh Leisure Pool
  - On Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, the Tecumseh Leisure Pool will be coordinating a free recreational swim, thanks to the support of *in motion and Healthy Kids Community Challenge*. This date coordinates with the 1<sup>st</sup> day of summer vacation from school, so it is the Summer Kick-Off at the pool
  - To enhance the swim, the YAC may want to consider sponsoring a DJ (approx.. \$300-\$400) so we can have a "Rock & Swim" event. We had one of these at the pool a couple of years ago and it was a lot of fun
- Canada Day Celebrations
  - A weekend celebration starting June 30<sup>th</sup> and continuing to July 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - On Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, a fireworks display will be taking place at Lakewood Park; perhaps the YAC could coordinate some activities for families prior to the show
  - On Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, a number of family-friendly activities will be coordinated at Lakewood Park; we'd welcome the assistance of the YAC in running some of the activities
- Corn Festival
  - The corn festival is always looking for volunteers to help with activities. In particular, the CF has an area of free interactive activities for children at the festival. We need help in the set-up, supervision and clean-up of this area for all 4 days of the festival. The assistance of the YAC would be much appreciated.
- Sponsorship of a Recreational Skate
  - The YAC may want to sponsor a free public skating session during the Christmas break. Fee to sponsor is \$245/hr plus tax. Most skates are 2 to 2.5 hours long

If you require any further details of the above events, please let me know and if Brett or I think of additional opportunities for the YAC, we'll let you know.

Kerri

Kerri Rice  
Manager, Recreation Programs/Events



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