

Youth Advisory Committee

Minutes

Date: Monday, January 20, 2020
Time: 4:30 pm
Location: Tecumseh Town Hall - Sandwich South Room
917 Lesperance Road
Tecumseh, ON N8N 1W9

Present: Member, Jacob Altenhof
Member, Michael Altenhof
Member, Brendan Froese
Member, Tamsyn King
Member, Kurtis Hengl Lachance
Member, Suzie Sawicki
Member, Cameron Skinner

Also Present: Manager Committee & Community Services, Christina Hebert

Absent: Councillor, Rick Tonial
Member, Kristi Koutros
Member, Tia-Lynne McCann
Member, Ava Ruuth

A. Call to Order

The Manager Committee & Community Services calls the meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

B. Roll Call

1. Election of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer

The Manager Committee & Community Services opens the floor to nominations for the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer for the Youth Advisory Committee, for a one (1) year term, ending December 31, 2020.

Motion: YAC - 1/20

Moved By Member Brendan Froese

Seconded By Member Cameron Skinner

That Member Suzie Sawicki be appointed Chair of the Youth Advisory Committee for the Town of Tecumseh for a one (1) year term, ending December 31, 2020.

Carried

Motion: YAC - 2/20

Moved By Chair Suzie Sawicki

Seconded By Member Michael Altenhof

That Member Kurtis Hengl Lachance be appointed Vice Chair of the Youth Advisory Committee for the Town of Tecumseh for a one (1) year term, ending December 31, 2020.

Carried

Motion: YAC - 3/20

Moved By Member Tamsyn King

Seconded By Vice-Chair Kurtis Hengl
Lachance

That Member Kristi Koutros be appointed Secretary for the Youth Advisory Committee for the Town of Tecumseh for a one (1) year term, ending December 31, 2020.

Carried

Motion: YAC - 4/20

Moved By Chair Suzie Sawicki

Seconded By Member Cameron Skinner

That Member Jacob Altenhof be appointed Treasurer for the Youth Advisory Committee for the Town of Tecumseh for a one (1) year term, ending December 31, 2020.

Carried

C. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None reported.

D. Delegations

None.

E. Communications

1. Youth Advisory Committee Minutes - October 21 and November 25, 2019

Motion: YAC - 5/20

Moved By Member Brendan Froese

Seconded By Member Michael Altenhof

That the minutes of the October 21, 2019 and November 25, 2019 meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee as were duplicated and delivered to the members, **be adopted**.

Carried

- 2. Youth Advisory Terms of Reference**
- 3. Procedural By-Law No. 2017-62**
- 4. Youth Advisory Committee 2020 Budget**

Motion: YAC - 6/20

Moved By Vice-Chair Kurtis Hengl
Lachance

Seconded By Treasurer Jacob Altenhof

That Communications - For Information 2 through 4 as listed on the Monday, January 20, 2020 Youth Advisory Committee Agenda **be received.**

Carried

F. Reports

None.

G. Unfinished Business

1. Family Game Night

The Members advise the Air Hockey table, which is widely used by attendees, is in need of repair.

Friday, February 21 is the next FGN and volunteers are needed. A reminder is provided regarding the supervision duties and that it is the Member's responsibility to coordinate coverage of their shift amongst the other Members should a matter arise.

2. Local Government Week

The Manager Committee & Community Services advises the Local Government Week (LGW) school tours saw a record high attendance of approximately three hundred forty-four (344) students. The LGW contest winners were recognized at the December 10 Regular Council Meeting and presented with prize packs.

3. Youth Career Fair

Discussion ensues regarding the successful Youth Career Fair, held on November 7, 2019.

This year's event saw a further increase in participation with over five hundred (500) students attending from area secondary schools. Students were able to visit and dialogue with twenty-two (22) diverse local businesses to gain insight into the educational needs for the respective career opportunities.

The event was held from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm to accommodate students and parents wishing to attend with their child(ren) after work hours. It is noted approximately six (6) persons attended after school hours.

Positive feedback was received from both the students and the vendors, as well as encouragement to continue to host the event annually during school hours.

4. RBC Future Launch Community Challenge Grant

Further to the YAC successfully receiving the RBC Future Launch Challenge Grant in the amount of \$15,000 for the 'Mind Break Before Study Break' initiative, planning will be underway shortly.

The Manager Committee & Community Services reminds the Members as part of the grant, youth must assist in leading the decisions and activities for the project.

The project proposes hosting two (2) Wellness Fairs to emphasize the importance of mental well-being, particularly during exam season by providing skills and techniques to help with related stresses to local secondary students.

The Members are encouraged to share ideas for activities related to mental health exercises, proper nutrition, study habits to make available at the wellness fairs, as well as contacts for persons who provide the service.

H. New Business

1. 2020 Project Planning

Manager Recreation Programs and Events, Email dated December 18, 2019 Regarding 2020 Events.

The Members review the 2020 recreation events outlined in the Manager Recreation Programs and Events email.

It is noted the Earth Day Celebration will take place on a weekday. Further details will be shared as become available.

The Members commit to checking their availability and making themselves available, where schedule permits, to assist.

2. Town of Lakeshore Youth Advisory Committee - Networking Meeting

The Manager Committee & Community Services apprises the Town of Lakeshore's Youth Advisory Committee would like to meet with its counterparts in Essex County to facilitate networking with engaged youth in the region, discuss opportunities to share information and best practices and potential collaboration efforts.

The Members concur with arranging a joint meeting in the spring and are agreeable to meeting at the Town of Lakeshore. The Manager Committee & Community Services will coordinate with the Town of Lakeshore.

I. Next Meeting

February 24, 2020

J. Adjournment

Motion: YAC - 7/20

Moved By Treasurer Jacob Altenhof

Seconded By Member Michael Altenhof

That there being no further business, the Monday, January 20, 2020 meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee **be adjourned** at 5:10 pm.

Carried

Suzie Sawicki, Chair

Kurtis Hengl Lachance, Vice-Chair