

Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee
for the Corporation of The Town of Tecumseh

A meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee for the Town of Tecumseh was scheduled to be held on April 15, 2019, in the Sandwich South Meeting Room at Town Hall, 917 Lesperance Road, Tecumseh at 4:30 pm.

1. Call to Order

The Chairperson calls the meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present:

Councillor
Member
Member
Chair
Secretary
Treasurer
Member
Member
Vice-Chair

Rick Tonial
Jacob Altenhof
Michael Altenhof
Brendan Froese
Tamsyn King
Kristi Koutros
Kurtis Hengl Lachance
Ava Ruuth
Suzie Sawicki

Also Present:

Manager Committee & Community Services

Christina Hebert

Absent:

Member
Member

Tia-Lynne McCann
Cameron Skinner

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None reported.

4. Delegations

None.

5. Communications

a. Youth Advisory Committee Minutes - February 25, 2019

b. Youth Advisory Committee Minutes - March 18, 2019

Motion: YAC - 11/19

Moved By Member Kurtis Hengl Lachance
Seconded By Member Jacob Altenhof

That the minutes of the February 25, 2019 and March 18, 2019 meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee as were duplicated and delivered to the Committee members, are accepted.

Carried

6. Reports

None.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Family Game Nights

The March 22 Family Game Night (FGN) concluded the scheduled FGNs for the winter season.

The Fall and Winter FGNs for 2018 – 2019 were attended by approximately 300 persons. Based on the success, the Committee concurs with continuing the programming initiative for the Fall 2019 and Winter 2020 season.

Dates will be reviewed with the Recreation Department and planning will commence in late summer.

b. Local Government Week

The Members are apprised the school correspondence packages, including details respecting the Local Government Week Tours and Contests are being mailed to area elementary and secondary schools.

Appreciation is extended to the Committee for their contest ideas. As previously discussed, the contest theme this year is centred around the Town of Tecumseh's 20th Anniversary.

The Committee's assistance in promoting the activities on social media and at their respective schools is greatly appreciated.

c. 2019 Project Planning

1. Manager Recreation Programs and Events, Email dated December 4, 2018 Re: Youth Advisory Committee

The Members are reminded of the upcoming Earth Day Celebration taking place at Lakewood Park on April 18 for anyone who is able to attend the weekday event.

The Manager Committee & Community Services reviews the dates for the Outdoor Movie Nights which have been scheduled for July 20 and August 17 at the Town Centre Park and Weston Park, respectively. Appreciation in marking calendars for the July 20 night to assist with distribution of popcorn, etc., is expressed.

The Members will review their calendars prior to the next meeting in regards to sponsoring/assisting with an activity at the Tecumseh Corn Festival.

8. New Business

a. Volunteer Canada

The Manager Committee & Community Services highlights the Volunteer Canada website for the Members interest and awareness. Volunteer Canada provides national leadership and expertise on volunteerism to increase participation, quality, and diversity of volunteer experiences.

b. Soirée Coffee House

The Manager Committee & Community Services advises the Tecumseh Cultural & Arts Advisory Committee, in partnership with l'Essor High School, will be hosting the annual 'Soirée Coffee House' event on Friday, May 10, 2019, from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm. The Soirée Coffee House will take place in the Tecumseh – l'Essor Arts Centre.

The Committee is excited to be hosting this community event for individuals to share their stage talents with area residents in a coffee house setting. A diverse range of local talent, – vocals, bands, instrumental, etc. – will be showcased during the evening.

The Members are encouraged to help promote the event, including on the YAC social media.

c. Sportsplex Fundraising

Councillor Rick Tonial apprises he would like to organize a fundraising campaign for the Tecumseh Multi-Use Sportsplex with the area schools to support the Town's share of the project costs. Similar in nature to previous OPP youth events, students would participate in an obstacle course as part of the fundraising initiative.

The Members are asked to start brainstorming ideas for the obstacle course that would be suitable for all students to participate.

d. Youth of the Year Award

The Treasurer puts forth a suggestion for an annual 'Youth of the Year' Award similar in nature to the 'Senior of the Year' Award. She will research municipalities who may have a comparable award, including eligibility criteria and bring it back to the Committee for review and further discussion prior to making recommendation to Council.

e. Town Hall Bike Rack

The Chair notes the bike rack at the front of Town Hall is in need of repair. The Manager Committee & Community Services will advise the Manager Parks & Horticulture of same.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee will be held on May 27, 2019.

10. Adjournment

Motion: YAC - 12/19

Moved By	Treasurer Kristi Koutros
Seconded By	Secretary Tamsyn King

That there being no further business, the April 15, 2019 meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee now adjourn at 5:14 pm.

Carried

Brendan Froese, Chair

Suzie Sawicki, Vice-Chair