

**SUNDRIDGE – STRONG RECREATION COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, November 5, 2015**

PRESENT: Sundridge – Ryan Jeffers and Russell Becker

Strong – Kelly Elik, Jason Cottrell (A),
Brandon Schmidt and Betty McLaren

ABSENT: Sundridge – Steve Tompkins and Dorothy Green
Strong – Jeff McLaren and Shirley McGirr

GUEST: Brian McCabe, Township of Joly Councillor

STAFF PRESENT: Bettyann Muir, Joint Recording Secretary/Deputy Clerk
Village of Sundridge

C1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairperson Kelly Elik. Kelly introduced the committee members to Betty McLaren who is the new Strong Township representative on the Recreation Committee. Betty has served on the committee in the past. The committee welcomed her back.

C2 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda had been circulated. It was

MOVED BY: Ryan Jeffers
SECONDED BY: Brandon Schmidt

That the agenda be approved as circulated for the November 5, 2015 meeting. Carried

C3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

C4 VERIFICATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the October 1, 2015 meeting were circulated. It was

MOVED BY: Russell Becker
SECONDED BY: Ryan Jeffers

That we approve the minutes of the October 1, 2015 meeting be adopted as circulated. Carried

C5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

C6 SPECIAL BUSINESS/DEPUTATION

None

C7 SPECIAL COMMITTEE/TASK FORCE REPORTS

None

C8 FOLLOWUP/NEW BUSINESS

SWIM PROGRAM

Bettyann reported that she had spoken to Jocelyn Palm, Glen Bernard Camp, about attending this meeting to discuss the swim program. Jocelyn was not available for today's date but said she thought she would be able to attend the December 3rd meeting. Earlier discussion had taken place with regard to the Recreation Committee donating to Kids in Camp which was formed by Jocelyn Palm. The money goes to families who do not have the means to send their kids to a camp. The committee decided to give a donation to Kids in Camp in thanks for Jocelyn Palm's generosity of offering her swim staff to run the Recreation Swim Program this past summer. Bettyann is to pick up a thank you card and the committee will present this cheque to Jocelyn Palm when she attends the Dec. 3rd meeting. It was

MOVED BY: Ryan Jeffers
SECONDED BY: Brandon Schmidt

That the Sundridge – Strong Recreation Committee make a donation to Kids in Camp in the amount of \$500.00. Carried

CANADA DAY

Will be held on Saturday, July 2, 2016

TREE LIGHTING

Russell suggested that Megan the Marketing Intern be asked to make up small posters to be placed around town. Kelly will do up the larger ones. Brandon will do up a flyer and take it to the businesses. The township will have 2 trucks available with Jeff and Jason Cottrell driving. Jason Cottrell will pick up the wagon and hay from Howard Sinclair on the day of. The Happy Gang will supply and serve the hot chocolate and hot apple cider. It is believed that there are 2 heating mini ovens at the arena. If not Betty McLaren has one. Bettyann will take the letter to Foodland asking if they will donate a cake again this year. Shirley will purchase everything needed. Lawrie Vincer will be Santa again this year. Bettyann had asked Dawn Berry if the Committee could use their sleigh for Santa but Dawn said they were entering a float in the parade and would be using it themselves. Betty McLaren offered to look into a sleigh for Santa. Bettyann will ask Al Raney for the use of 4 pylons and to see if the Christmas lights are ready. The committee will ask Dorothy if she will look after the tickets/stamps for the

hayrides. Kelly will look into obtaining tickets or whatever. Bettyann will order the candy bags. Bettyann had sent a letter out to the OPP asking if they would cross the parade over at Highway 124 to the Arena. No reply has come back as yet. Brian is working at finding a perfect tree. Brian will look after the bonfire and bring wood. Jeff has an old hot water tank set up that has been used for fires. The committee will ask Jeff if it can be used. Jason Cottrell volunteered to weld legs on it. Set up is at 3:00 p.m. for the committee members. There is public skating at the arena from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. that day so the committee may come to the arena during that time to get some of the set up done. The Brownies will make centerpieces and for the tables and be Santa's helpers again this year. Bandon will arrange a truck from Brays for the Strong Township Mayor. The Village of Sundridge council is going to be entering a float. Bettyann will call Montpetit's and ask if the committee could use their generator and powerpac and also see if Turner would like to be a spotter again this year. A chair will be needed at the Arena for Santa to sit on in front of the back drop. Ryan will look into this. Bettyann will ask Chris Ellis at the Post Office if she would like to bring the Santa Mail Box and have the kids do letters to Santa. Brandon will ask Barry Hubbert if he would like to be a judge. Bettyann will ask Barb Belrose and Elgin Schneider if they would like to be one also. Judging of the floats will take place at 4:15 p.m... The prizes will be the same as last year for the floats. Kelly asked if we had any Christmas music. Bettyann had spoken to the Muskoka Dance Academy and they are really excited to participate again this year. They will also be bringing a float. They will need a sound system, a microphone and a stage area. The stage upstairs in the arena is not big enough but they said they could use floor area. Ryan will speak to Myles about the sound system. Bettyann will ask the Dance Academy if they will be using a CD player or an iPod for music. The risers that belong to the Agricultural Society were mentioned. Jeff will ask Jennifer Thompson if the committee could possibly use them for a stage. The committee discussed the idea of having free skating from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. while the other festivities are going on. It might elevate some of the congestion upstairs.

FAMILY DAY CELEBRATION

- Sunday, February 14th, 2016 – Valentine's Day
- Arena has been booked

OTHER PROGRAMS

- Possibility of an event for next March Break
- Make a rink on the lake for next year
- Pond hockey on the lake
- Curling bonspiel outdoors

C9 CORRESPONDENCE

None

C10 NON AGENDA BUSINESS

C11 ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: Ryan Jeffers

SECONDED BY: Jeff McLaren

That we do now adjourn at 8:25 p.m. until the next regular meeting Thursday, December 3, 2015 or at the call of the chair. Carried

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Kelly Elik
Chair

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Bettyann Muir
Joint Committee Recording Secretary
Deputy Clerk Village of Sundridge