

SUNDRIDGE – STRONG RECREATION COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, January 5, 2017

PRESENT: **Sundridge** – Jason Newman, Dorothy Green, John Carney and Rebel Kennedy

Strong – Kelly Elik, Jeff McLaren, Shirley McGirr, Betty McLaren and Stephen Kissoon

ABSENT: Sundridge – Ryan Jeffers

GUEST: Brian McCabe, Township of Joly Councillor

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

 Nancy Austin, Administrative Assistant, Village of Sundridge

C1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Kelly Elik.

C2 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda had been circulated. It was

MOVED BY: Jason Newman
SECONDED BY: Stephen Kissoon

**That the agenda be approved as circulated for the January 5, 2017 meeting.
Carried**

C3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

C4 VERIFICATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the November 24, 2016 meeting were circulated. It was

MOVED BY: Rebel Kennedy
SECONDED BY: Dorothy Green

**That we approve the minutes of the November 24, 2016 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

CANADA DAY

The Canada Day Celebration will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2017. We have confirmation that Pyroworld will be supplying and setting off the fireworks. A grant has been applied for the fireworks. The committee will ask the Cub Club (Amanda Storey) if she would be able to have a craft table at the event. There will be face painting. Kelly is looking into a Tim Horton's truck. Other ideas for food vendors besides the Lion's BBQ were pizza and a fry truck. The idea of starting the festivities earlier than the parade was discussed. Dennis Johnstone will be contacted to see if he is available to provide music from 1:00 until approximately 3:00 p.m. or until the parade arrives at the waterfront. Bettyann will book Northern Lights Steel Band (5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.), Callander Pipe Band (for the parade) and the Shriner's Cycle Unit (for the parade). We will contact the Swamp Donkees to tentatively book them to provide musical entertainment (7:30 until fireworks). Jason will contact both Dennis Johnstone and Davey Meloy. The committee will invite the Muskoka Dance Academy to participate as well. It was decided that the parade would remain at the same time as the past 2 years. The parade will start at 4:00 p.m.

TREE LIGHTING

It was a good evening. There was some confusion with Santa being in the Heritage House. This was a change and it should be better next time as people will be aware of the change. One complaint was it was dark going from the Arena to the Heritage House. Brian McCabe offered to bring a flood light to light up the parking lot area. More Christmas lights could be placed also. For next year it is suggested that Santa be inside the Heritage House and the children can do the walk through. Pam Goodwin, Strong Agricultural Society, will bring some more lights for inside the Heritage House as well. More discussion will take place with regard to this event later on. It was suggested that the date of this event be changed. Sunday is not necessarily a good day. Maybe the event could be changed to a Saturday. Some discussion took place to the event being held on Saturday, November 25, 2017.

TEEN DANCE

A preteen dance (all ages up to age 13) will be held on Friday, January 27, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Arena. Dennis Johnstone will be the DJ. Set up will be at 5:30 p.m. Jason, Kelly, Stephen, Rebel, John and possibly Jeff will be available. Steve and Sarah Hicks will be asked if they wish to volunteer also. Notes will be sent out to the schools.

FAMILY DAY CELEBRATION

This event will be held on Sunday, February 19, 2017. A check list was circulated. The various schools will be asked again to participate in the crafts. The prizes for the crafts will be through the rec budget. John will ask if the Cub Club is interested in helping with the crafts. Brian will look after obtaining Choc Paw Dog Sled Rides. Jeff will speak to the contractor doing the snow removal at the parking lot at the Arena too see if a pathway can be made from the arena to the sled hill. Brian McCabe will speak to the Carving Group to see if they would be interested in doing a sculpture. We will ask the Agricultural Society if they are interested in participating in this event. Jeff will speak to Ron McLaren to see if he would be interested in a taffy pull. Candy Floss and Popcorn

will be available at this event. A fishing derby idea was discussed. Jason will speak to Tuck's Bait and Tackle to see if they might be interested in hosting this idea. An updated check list will be brought back to the next meeting.

OTHER PROGRAMS

Two Physical Activity Nights have been booked. They are Friday, March 3rd and Friday, April 21st, 2017.

C9 CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you letter had been received from the Almaguin Highlands OPP Detachment.

C10 NON AGENDA BUSINESS

C11 ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: Shirley McGirr
SECONDED BY: Jeff McLaren

That we do now adjourn at 8:29 p.m. until the next regular meeting Thursday, February 2, 2017 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