

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Stellarton Memorial Rink Commission was held on Monday, March 29, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT

Chair, Deputy Mayor J. MacLellan, D. Taylor, D. Davidson and S. Mayich. Also present Town Clerk J. Eaton, Recreation Director P. Corbin and Town Engineer B. Funke.

Regrets were received from Mayor J. Gennoe and Comm. K. Francis.

AGENDA

The agenda was approved on motion by Comm. D. Taylor, and seconded by Comm. D. Davidson. **Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

Comm. D. Taylor made motion to approve the January 25, 2016 Minutes, seconded by Comm. D. Davidson. **Motion Carried.**

FINANCE: BRENDA MACKAY –UPDATE FINANCIAL REPORT

The January 2016 Financial Report was presented and reviewed by Commission members. The February and March 2016 Financials are not yet available.

At this time, Town Clerk, J. Eaton informed the Commission that the Financial Advisor, B. MacKay was not able to be in attendance to answer any questions due to a conflicting schedule.

Questions/Comments

Some discussion took place. Comm. S. Mayich asked what repairs had been done to the ice cleaner to make up the \$1,536.00 in repair costs.

Comm. S. Mayich's question was documented and a detailed explanation will be given at the next Commission meeting.

TOWN ENGINEER: UPDATE MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS / BINGO SEASON – UPDATE & OPERATING DATES

At this time, Town Engineer, B. Funke provided an update on Maintenance and Operations for the month of March 2016. With one week left in the month, everything is operating satisfactorily.

Town Engineer, B. Funke said the Town has repaired the leak in the #2 compressor. A seal was ordered from England and repairs were made successfully. The persistent brine leak underneath the ice at the rink is at the top of the priority list. Staff has determined that the leak only occurs when they have to cut the ice down near the Zamboni door. Town Engineer, B. Funke noted that if the brine leak persists, a full floor replacement would be required.

As requested by the Commission, Capital upgrades for long term use of the Rink were included in the report and include:

- replace evaporator condenser coil \$35,000
- replace preheater for reclaim hot water \$8,600
- replace compressor \$32,800
- repair deteriorated boards \$5,000
- repair damaged Stellarton sign \$5,000

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Questions/Comments

During a discussion, Town Engineer, B. Funke noted that the biggest single thing the Town did was put an ice temperature control unit on the compressors. He said, before, in the cold of the winter, the compressors used to run pre-timed, now they do not; if the weather gets cold outside and the ice and ground is frozen, the compressors only need to be run when needed. This is where there would be some savings. He concluded in saying the biggest advantage the Town has now is the temperature control on the ice.

Chair Deputy Mayor J. MacLellan asked if the price listed in the report to replace the compressor was for one or both compressors. Town Engineer, B. Funke said the cost to replace both compressors would be \$32,800 per unit.

Chair Deputy Mayor J. MacLellan asked if staff would be able to assess the brine leak once the ice is out, and will staff be able to know if a full floor replacement is required. Town Engineer, B. Funke said yes to both questions. Comm. D. Taylor said this information would be pertinent to whether or not the Town spend any money on the repairs.

Chair Deputy Mayor J. MacLellan asked if any of these capital upgrades were contingent on the purchase of another. Town Engineer, B. Funke said no, adding that if the Town is going to phase upgrades in over a period of time, the list in his report is the order in which the upgrades would be phased in.

Town Engineer, B. Funke then gave an update on Bingo season. Minor hockey will be finished on Sunday, April 3rd. G. R. Saunders Elementary school will be having their Spring Fling on Saturday, April 30th. Bingo is scheduled to start up on Tuesday, May 3rd.

Comm. D. Davidson made a motion to accept the Stellarton Memorial Rink Report for the month of March 2016, seconded by Comm. S. Mayich. **Motion Carried.**

RECREATION DIRECTOR: UPDATE ICE RENTALS & ICE SCHEDULING

Recreation Director, P. Corbin gave a verbal update on ice rentals and ice scheduling. All teams and organizations have finished using the ice as of last week with the exception of Stellarton Minor Hockey. Originally the rink was scheduled to close last week, but Stellarton Minor Hockey has requested that the rink stay open so that they can host their Jamboree this coming weekend. The tournament benefits both the rink and Stellarton Minor Hockey. The closing date is now set for Sunday, April 3rd.

Chair Deputy Mayor, J. MacLellan asked how this year's rentals compare to last year's. Recreation Director, P. Corbin said he is waiting until the end of the season to give a good comparison for the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2016 at 5 p.m.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN

TOWN CLERK