
MEMBERS PRESENT

Laura Svab, Town of Blackfalds Councillor
Marina Appel, Town of Blackfalds Councillor
Barb Shepherd, Lacombe County Representative
Kayla Marquis, Public at Large
Trent Kroetsch, Public at Large
Shauna Sawchuk, Public at Large
Kristy Lawrence, Public at Large
Louise Rellis, Public at Large

OTHERS ATTENDING

Kim Isaak, CAO
Rick Kreklewich, Director of Community Services
Carol Simpson, Abbey Centre General Manager
Jeff Heindel, Parks and Facilities Manager
Sean Barnes, Sports and Events Manager

REGRETS

None

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Member at Large Kroetsch welcomed all attending and called the Recreation, Culture and Parks Board Meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Member at Large Rellis moved That the Recreation, Culture and Parks Board approve the Agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TREATY SIX LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A Land Acknowledgement was read to recognize that the Town of Blackfalds is on Treaty Six territory.

PRESENTATIONS

None

BUSINESS

Minutes

Councillor Svab moved That the Recreation, Culture and Parks Board approve the Minutes from May 7, 2025 as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council Committee Bylaw Feedback

Kim Isaak, CAO presented the revised Council Committee Bylaw to the RCP Board. The Council Committee Bylaw provides procedures for all applicable Town boards and committees.

Community Initiatives Grant – Blackfalds Seniors Club

The Blackfalds Seniors Club provided a Community Initiatives Grant application to replace their floor curling equipment as well as score sheets, speaker stand, playing cards and snacks.

Councillor Appel moved that Administration discuss other options with the Blackfalds Seniors Club that may align with Community Initiative Grant funding criteria.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lacombe Ringette Association Letter

Administration received a letter from the Lacombe Ringette Association regarding ice rates and ice allocation in Blackfalds and presented it to the Board. The RCP Board requested a copy of the Lacombe County RC(1) application for capital grant funding. Administration addressed some questions and provided clarification regarding the definition change in the rate review, the ice allocation process and the demand for ice from organizations. The RCP Board suggested we look into changes with the definitions included in the rate bylaw and consider an ad hoc committee that would review ice requests annually.

Thrifty Thursdays

Manager Simpson provided a description of the program and the proposed Thrifty Thursdays schedule for 2026 for the RCP Board to review.

Member at Large Rellis moved That the Recreation, Culture and Parks Board approve the Thrifty Thursdays schedule for 2026.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Abbey Centre Update

- Manager Simpson presented the monthly highlights

Parks and Facilities Update

- Manager Heindel presented the monthly highlights

EBC & Sterling Industries Sports Park Update

- Manager Barnes presented the monthly highlights

MINUTES

The Recreation, Culture and Parks Board received the items as information.

Chair Kroetsch adjourned the Recreation, Culture & Parks Board Meeting at 8:31 p.m.

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Trent Kroetsch, Chair

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Rick Kreklewich, Director of Community Services