

Sawpit Wharf Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 16, 2022 – 6:30pm

In attendance: Ian Fraser, Richard Mosher, Doug Peveril, David Silver, Bill Towndrow, Peggy Richardson, Chasidy Veinotte, Trudy Payne, Tissy Bolivar

Regrets: Bub and Tina Risser

Approval of Agenda

- Motion by Richard; Second by Ian.

Approval of August 10, 2022 Notes

- In agreement, as presented.

Business Arising from Minutes

- None

Other Business

Update on telephone pole

- New pole is in
- Old pole still in place. If the power source is no good on old pole, committee recommends removing. **Staff to investigate.**
- If the pole is removed, need to block the ramp. **Staff to investigate.**

Switchback trail

- Committee reported that staff were cutting bushes on the old trail
- Concerns around water run off/erosion
- Project has been put on hold

Floating dock extension

- Still waiting for the additional dock that's been ordered
- Conversation around future of floating dock, layout, etc.

- Hostile users this year about the process of getting a dock spot
- Process of drawing dock spots is causing people to find “creative” ways around it
- Conversation around if we should order a new piece now to accommodate future growth
- Committee feels it may be time to increase usage fee for floating dock. Currently \$100; consensus to be \$125.
- **Motion: The Sawpit Wharf Advisory Committee recommends to the removal of the fee structure in the Sawpit Wharf By-Law – moved by Bill, seconded by Doug. Motion carried unanimously.**

Sign at Sawpit exit

- Impedes sightline, safety hazard
- Suggestion – raise sign up 4 feet to see under it. **Staff to investigate.**

Removal on gate on wharf

- Not fastened very well to the wharf
- Want to leave jersey barriers and remove gate. **Staff to investigate.**
- Would like to move barriers onto the end of the wharf to help keep in place
- Barriers had been shifted to allow wheelchair access

Replacement of missing signage

- Once waivers are signed, signs can be put up on wharf by committee
- Other signs will be part of the wayfinding strategy

Community Plan

- Many staff changes in the Municipality
- Trudy will be the staff rep on this committee moving forward
- Intent is to have RFP out in January
- Direction that we understand from Council is that they want to upgrade current parks to bring them up to a standard
- Staff are currently setting park standards for all parks
- Once plan is complete, no guarantee that work will be completed in year one – set expectations

Campers

- This is an issue happening at other parks as well, ie., Hirtle’s Beach
- Staff have raised this internally
- Campground in Lunenburg has closed – owner was directing campers to park parking lots
- Issue is we have no enforcement

- **Motion: The Sawpit Wharf Advisory Committee recommends to Municipal Council to explore options pertaining to enforcement of the by-law and rules at Sawpit Wharf Park. Moved by Bill, seconded by Richard. Motion carried unanimously.**

New Business

- **Staff to upload old meeting minutes on website**

Next Meeting Date

- Wait for direction from Trudy for next meeting

Adjourn

- Richard – 7:35pm