

MINUTES
THAMES CENTRE SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2020
10:00 A.M., ONLINE MEETING (ZOOM)

<https://zoom.us/j/97776249654?pwd=TDBFc1U2d0VZSFJmRTRLZEtdRXQ0QT09>

PRESENT: A. Warwick, Chair/Council Representative
A. Marr, Community Representative
D. Brown, Staff Representative
K. Elliott, Council Representative
K. Ross, Community Representative
P. Wearne, Community Representative
M. Murray, Community Representative
T. Haffner, Staff Resource/Recording Secretary

ABSENT WITH REGRET:
B. Jones, Community Representative

ABSENT: A. Hill, Vice Chair/Community Representative

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

1. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

No pecuniary interests were disclosed at this time.

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

(A) **May 21, 2020, regular meeting minutes.** It was:

Moved by: K. Ross

Seconded by: P. Wearne

(Resolution #TCSEC-14-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Thames Centre Special Events Committee held on May 21, 2020, be adopted. Carried.

3. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS – None.

4. REPORTS OF STAFF – None.

5. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

(A) **Canada Day.** The Chair verbally discussed the cancellation of the Canada Day fireworks. Since people would not be able to exit their vehicles, no donations could be collected. Therefore, the Dorchester and District Lions Club, along with other Service Groups would be invited to donate through the “Light Up Thames Centre” campaign. The Parks and Facilities Supervisor priced out purchasing 2,500 units, with red ribbon for approximately

\$4,500.00. Participants would be invited to send videos to the township of them using the sparklers. It was:

Moved by: M. Murray
Seconded by: K. Ross
(Resolution #TCSEC-15-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the Thames Centre Special Events Committee direct staff to purchase sparklers to handout to the Thames Centre community. Carried.

In regards to reaching out to Service Groups, there will be no fixed amount for them to donate. Service Groups will be contacted through a letter. It was:

Moved by: A. Marr
Seconded by: K. Ross
(Resolution #TCSEC-16-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the Thames Centre Special Events Committee direct staff to reach out to Service Groups with a letter to encourage them to donate to "Light Up Thames Centre." Carried.

Services Groups can also help distribute the sparklers. We will set up pick-up locations in Dorchester and Thorndale on a date in the future. It was determined that sparklers will be ignited the evening of Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at no set time. The Committee also discussed the Canada Day decorating contest. The top ten businesses and residents are invited to decorate their properties and submit nomination forms and photos through the Community Spirit Award webpage. It was:

Moved by: K. Ross
Seconded by: A. Marr
(Resolution #TCSEC-17-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the Thames Centre Special Events Committee direct staff to advertise for the Canada Day decorating contest and sparkler pick-up dates/times on the Thames Centre Facebook page. Carried.

(B) **Community Spirit Awards.** The Parks and Facilities Supervisor advised the Committee that one spirit award was distributed. As of now, no new nominations were submitted.

6. SUB-COMMITTEE BUSINESS – None.
7. CORRESPONDENCE – None.
8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.
9. NEW BUSINESS – None.

10. SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS

The next regular meeting is to be held on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 10:00. Online, via Zoom.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, it was:

Moved by: K. Ross
Seconded by: P. Wearne
(Resolution #TCSEC-18-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m. Carried.

Original signed by:
Alison Warwick, Chair

Original signed by:
Tori Haffner, Staff Resource/Recording Secretary