

MINUTES
THAMES CENTRE SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2020
10:00 A.M., ONLINE MEETING (ZOOM)

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

ABSENT WITH REGRET:
A. Marr, Community Representative
B. Jones, Community Representative
K. Ross, Community Representative

ABSENT: A. Hill, Vice Chair/Community Representative

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:14 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) **February 21, 2020, regular meeting minutes.** It was:

Moved by: K. Elliott
Seconded by: P. Wearne
(Resolution #TCSEC-07-2020)

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

3. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS – None.

4. REPORTS OF STAFF

D. Brown discussed that the new stage is in Thames Centre and ready to be used at future events. The next step is to have Thames Centre logos added to the outside of the stage.

5. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

(A) **Canada Day.** The Chair advised the Committee that the formal Canada Day event will be cancelled on Wednesday, July 1, 2020. The Thames Centre Special Events Committee has agreed to brainstorm new ideas in order to

modify Canada Day in Thames Centre but still make it special by repurposing the budget. It was:

Moved by: P. Wearne
Seconded by: M. Murray
(Resolution #TCSEC-08-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the Thames Centre Canada Day celebration will be cancelled on July 1, 2020 but the Thames Centre Special Events Committee will brainstorm new ideas in order to repurpose the budget and modify the Canada Day event. Carried

The Chair verbally discussed that Thames Centre residents could decorate their properties for Canada Day. Decorated properties can be submitted through the Community Spirit Award webpage no later than Wednesday, June 24, 2020. The Thames Centre Special Events Committee will then award ten winners on Canada Day. The winners will receive a prize, a certificate and a Community Spirit Award Canada Day themed sign on their lawn for one week. Another suggestion that was verbally discussed is to hand out sparklers or glow stick around town to help "Light Up Thames Centre" on Canada Day. The Committee is going to reach out to the Service Clubs to see if they would like to donate and/or help pass out Canada Day themed supplies that can be utilized at Thames Centre resident's homes. It was:

Moved by: K. Elliott
Seconded by: P. Wearne
(Resolution #TCSEC-09-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the Thames Centre Special Events Committee direct Staff to look into the cost on various Canada Day supplies;
AND to reach out to the Service Clubs in Thames Centre to see if they would like to assist in this modified Canada Day event. Carried

(B) **Community Spirit Awards.** The first Community Spirit Award winners were awarded Thames Centre themed prizes, a certificate and a sign on their lawn for one week. Overall, the Community Spirit Award is a success and a morale booster throughout the community. At this time, the Committee discussed the next Community Spirit Award nominees and winners.

Moved by: K. Elliott
Seconded by: P. Wearne
(Resolution #TCSEC-10-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the Thames Centre Special Events Committee picked the next Community Spirit Awards winners and they will be awarded shortly. Carried.

6. SUB-COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- (A) **Sub-Committee Calendar.** The calendar is completed and final plans have been reviewed, yet with everything going on the calendar will not be posted on the website until events commenced throughout Thames Centre again. It was:

Moved by: M. Murray
Seconded by: P. Wearne
(Resolution #TCSEC-11-2020)

RESOLVED THAT Subcommittee Calendar be postponed for now, until events commenced again throughout the Thames Centre community. Carried.

7. CORRESPONDENCE – None.
8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.
9. NEW BUSINESS – None.
10. SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS

The Committee discussed the meeting schedule, noting that the next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers located at the Municipal Office in Dorchester. It was then:

Moved by: P Wearne
Seconded by: K. Elliott
(Resolution #TCSEC-12-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the Thames Centre Special Events Committee will add a meeting to the schedule, and the next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Online, via Zoom. Carried.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, it was:

Moved by: K. Elliott
Seconded by: P. Wearne
(Resolution #TCSEC-13-2020)

RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m. Carried.

Original signed by:
Alison Warwick, Chair

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