

**Merrickville-Wolford Recreation Advisory Committee  
Minutes**

**January 10, 2017 7:00pm**

**Council Chambers**

Members Present: Don Halpenny (Chair), Terry Gilhen, Mike Cameron

Councillors Present: Councillor MacInnis, Councillor Ireland,

Staff Present: Dave Powers (Public Works Manager)

Regrets: Jan Fitzpatrick

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests: None

Approval of the Agenda

As amended: M: M. Cameron; S: T. Gilhen **Carried**

Approval of Previous Minutes (December 13, 2016)

M: T. Gilhen; S: M. Cameron **Carried**

Action Items:

- T. Gilhen provided an update on discussions with Algonquin College about the opportunity for students to help with the layout and design of the parkland at Merrickville Estates. The college responded positively and indicated they regularly have students out on practical work terms. However, it was not clear if an ad hoc work project, without hosting the student in the office for a whole term, would be of interest to the college. TG will follow-up with the college.
- D. Powers advised the municipality has accepted students requiring work experience programs in the past.

New Business:

- D. Halpenny provided an update on discussions with Rideau Valley Conservation Authority (RVCA) regarding placing barbeques in the park near the beach similar to Rideau Ferry. RVCA indicated that this was not something they were interested in doing at this time.

Roundtable:

- D. Powers provided an update on the status of the covered rink in Easton's Corners. A new tarp has just been put down and ice should be available for skating shortly. Galway Landscaping is doing rink maintenance and flooding in both EC and Merrickville, and there is no point in splitting up the duties for the two rinks. Galway is diligent and capable of maintaining both in a timely manner.

Next Meeting:

Date: Feb. 14, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers

Meeting Adjourned by chair: 8:00 pm.