

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

Committee of the Whole Report

Report Number PRC2020-001

Meeting Date: March 10, 2020

Title: Kawartha Lakes Parks Advisory Committee Annual Report
and 2020 Work Plan

Ward Number: All

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Recommendation(s):

That Report PRC 2020-001, Parks Advisory Committee Annual Report and 2020 Work Plan, be received,

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Department Head:_____

Financial/Legal/HR/Other:_____

Chief Administrative Officer:_____

Background:

The Kawartha Lakes Parks Advisory Committee was established in January of 2019 to replace the former Lindsay Parks Advisory Committee to advise on significant park developments across the municipality, as well as trail system development. This includes the development of park policy, and promoting and maintaining communication with the public on park property needs and projects.

The updated Terms of Reference (2018) for the Kawartha Lakes Parks Advisory Committee stipulates that an annual report be written to Council by the end of Q1 each calendar year in line with the Committee's achievements from the previous year and to present their upcoming work plan for the upcoming year.

Rationale:

In the previous year the Kawartha Lakes Parks Advisory Board participated in the following:

- Received a presentation by Jamie Anderson, CEO/Library Director and Jamie Morris, Library Board Trustee regarding proposed plans for the redevelopment of Queen's Square
- Received a presentation by Richard Fedy, Co-President of Environmental Action Bobcaygeon (EAB) providing an overview of EAB and their past and current projects
- Received a presentation by Councillor Richardson outlining the work of the Bethany Athletic Club
- Discussed major parks initiatives throughout Kawartha Lakes including Logie Park and Bobcaygeon Beach Park
- Discussion of the Active Transportation Master Plan

In the upcoming year the Committee will continue with the following:

- Discuss major parks developments and continued maintenance of existing parks
- Actively recruit for broader community representation to the Committee
- To provide a forum for citizens, user groups, and community agencies to raise issues and concerns regarding municipal parks
- Continue to provide advice and guidance to City Council, through the Community Services Department, on matters pertaining to policies, development, conservation, practices and programs related to municipal parks as required

Other Alternatives Considered:

No other alternatives are recommended.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

This is a volunteer Advisory Committee with no financial/operation impacts.

Relationship of Recommendation(s) To The 2020-2023 Strategic Plan:

The recommendations within this report directly align with all Strategic Goals, through our Value of Collaboration namely:

- Goal 1 – A Vibrant and Growing Economy
- Goal 2 – An Exceptional Quality of Life
- Goal 3 – A Healthy Environment
- Goal 4 – Good Government

Review of Accessibility Implications of Any Development or Policy:

There are no accessibility implications associated with this report.

Servicing Implications:

There are no servicing implications associated with this report.

Consultations:

Manager of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

Attachments:

N/A

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