



Committee of the Whole Report

Report Number: PRC2021-001
Meeting Date: March 9, 2021
Title: Kawartha Lakes Parks Advisory Committee Annual Report and 2021 Work Plan
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Recommendation(s):

That Report PRC 2021-001, Parks Advisory Committee Annual Report and 2021 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 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 work plan for the upcoming year.

Rationale:

In 2020 the Kawartha Lakes Parks Advisory Committee participated in the following:

- Active recruitment and appointment of two new members broadening community representation to the Committee
- Attendance at grand opening of Logie Park

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

- Discuss major parks developments and continued maintenance of existing parks
- 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, active transportation, practices and programs related to municipal parks as required.

Due to COVID19 restrictions the Kawartha Lakes Parks Advisory Committee did not meet in 2020. Meetings will resume when it is safe to do so.

Other Alternatives Considered:

No other alternatives are recommended.

Alignment to Strategic Priorities:

The recommendations within this report directly align with all goals as outlined in the 2020-2023 Strategic plan.

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

Financial/Operation Impacts:

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

Servicing Implications:

There are no servicing implications associated with this report.

Consultations:

Manger of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

Attachments:

N/A

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