West Parry Sound Recreation and Cultural Centre Board
Open Meeting Minutes – August 13, 2025

Date: August 13, 2025
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Town of Parry Sound Council Chambers, 52 Seguin Street.

Voting Members Present:
Archipelago Reeve Bert Liverance
Carling Councillor Bruce Kelly
McDougall Mayor Dale Robinson
Parry Sound Mayor Jamie McGarvey
Seguin Councillor Terry Fellner

Steering Committee Members Present
Carling CAO Kevin McLlwain
Parry Sound CAO Clayton Harris

Alternate Members Present:
Archipelago Councillor Tom Lundy
Parry Sound Councillor George Ashford
Seguin Mayor Ann MacDiarmid

Staff Present:
Recording Clerk Rebecca Johnson
Communications Officer Valerie Iancovich
Parry Sound Director of Finance Stephanie Phillips

Guests Present:
Ball Construction - Vlad Melut

1. Agenda:

1.1 Additions to Open Agenda

1.1.1 Chair Mayor Robinson requested that an item to form an Ad hoc Programming Committee be added to the agenda.

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Kelly **Seconded by Mayor McGarvey**

That the Agenda for the August 13, 2025 West Parry Sound Recreation and Cultural Centre Board is hereby approved as circulated.

Carried

1.3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – N/A

1.4 Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Kelly **Seconded by Councillor Fellner**

That Minutes of the July 9, 2025 Regular Meeting of the West Parry Sound Recreation and Cultural Centre Board are hereby approved as circulated

Carried

2. Delegations/Correspondence – N/A

3. Business

3.1 Steering Committee Update

Steering Committee Chair Clayton Harris reported that the facility property on Joseph St was purchased by the Town of Parry Sound on behalf of the Board, in order that a charitable receipt could be issued as part of the purchase. As the Board is now authorized to issue charitable receipts, both the Board and the Town have given approvals to transfer the property. The legal work to complete the transfer is to be done in 90 days.

3.2 Project & Budget Update

Submitted by: Steering Committee

With Vlad Melut not immediately available, Chair Robinson gave a verbal overview of the project and budget update from the prepared power point presentation circulated with the agenda.

In response to Councillor Kelly's inquiry as to when the actual pool components would arrive, Mr. Melut, upon his entry to the meeting, advised that the pool walls were still in fabrication and are expected at the beginning of October, with the overall project still on target for completion by May, 2026.

Resolution 2025 - 31

Moved by Reeve Liverance **Seconded by Councillor Fellner**

That the Board receive the August 13, 2025 Project & Budget Update for information purposes.

Carried

3.3 Monthly Financial Reports

Submitted by: Steering Committee

Prior to consideration of the prepared resolution, Treasurer Stephanie Phillips gave an overview of the financial report submitted with the agenda.

Resolution 2025 - 32

Moved by Mayor McGarvey **Seconded by Councillor Kelly**
That the Jul 31, 2025 financial reports be received for information.

Carried

3.4 Update on Facility Name and Representation

Submitted by: Valerie Iancovich, Communications / Steering Committee

From the report circulated with the agenda, Valerie Iancovich gave an overview of the facility update name and representation.

Resolution 2025 - 33

Moved by Councillor Fellner **Seconded by Reeve Liverance**
That the board support the recommended direction regarding the use of the recreation facilities name, Tamarack North Centre for future communications including digital and print assets.

Carried

3.5 Fundraising/Sponsorship Update

Verbal Update – Fundraising Committee Chair Mayor Ann MacDiarmid

Fundraising Committee Chair Mayor Ann MacDiarmid reported that another $100,000 has been received through the Chapnik Foundation and an anonymous foundation and that $40,000 is being received from Rona for the family changing room.

Mayor MacDiarmid also reported that Chris Madden, owner of Tamarack has been sending letters to clients asking them to join him in financially supporting the centre.

The Hardhat Committee met with a tentative hardhat party date set the last week in April, (targeting April 25 or 26) and will confirm in January 2026 when Ball can confirm the occupancy permit. Mayor MacDiarmid reported that Jason Ball has asked if the pool has water, would the 6 mayors go swimming as a fundraiser.

Kim's annual fundraising swim is scheduled for Friday, August 22nd starting at Rosseau Lake College, for a 7-km swim around the circumference of Lake Rosseau.

3.6 Transfer of Joseph Street Property to the Board

Verbal Update – Treasurer Stephanie Phillips – withdrawn; dealt with in 3.1 Steering Committee Update

3.7 Formation of a Programming Ad hoc Committee

Chair Robinson suggested that as there is a lot of interest from local user groups, an ad hoc programming committee should be formed to work with the YMCA to ensure information flows quickly back and forth.

Councillor Fellner, Mayor McGarvey and Chair Robinson all expressed interest in sitting on the Committee. CAO McLlwain volunteered and Chair Robinson suggested that he and Parry Sound Recreation staff might be considered as resources to the Committee.

Resolution 2025 – 34

Moved by Councillor Fellner **Seconded by Reeve Liverance**
That an ad hoc committee be formed to work in cooperation with the YMCA to establish programming for the centre, consisting of Councillor Fellner, Mayor McGarvey, and Mayor Robinson.

Carried

4. Move to Closed Meeting

4.1a Additions to Closed Agenda

Resolution 2025 - 35

Moved by Reeve Liverance **Seconded by Councillor Fellner**
THAT pursuant to Section 239(2) and (3) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, the West Parry Sound Recreation and Cultural Centre Board moves to a meeting closed to the public in order to address matters pertaining to:

k) a position, plan, procedure criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board, **(YMCA Operating Agreement; Sponsorship Agreement, EV Charging station**)

Carried

The meeting adjourned to a closed meeting at 7:30 PM