



The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Ripley Summer Sports – General Meeting

Minutes

Ripley Huron Community Centre

Monday, October 23, 2024

Darryl Zettler	Chair/Baseball Contact/Webmaster	Present
Meg Fry	Deputy Chair/Equipment Manager	Present
Crystal Burt	Equipment Manager/Webmaster	Present
	Soccer Coordinator	
Leeah Caslick	Fundraising Coordinator	Present
Jean Breton	Communication Coordinator	Absent
Meg Fry	Member at Large	Present
Cayley MacDonald	Member at Large	Present
Jeff Johnston	Member at Large	Present
Elyse Dewar	Secretary & Registrar (non-voting)	Present
Mike Fair	Director of Community Services (non-voting)	Absent

Others Present:

Call to Order

7:45pm

Adoption of Minutes

That the Ripley Summer Sports Committee hereby approves the September 18, 2023 meeting minutes.

Motion No: 23/10/24 - 01

Moved by: Leeah Caslick

Seconded by: Meg Fry

Carried

Suspension

Darryl provided an update on the suspension of a Ripley Minor Baseball coach. A hearing with the WOBA is scheduled for October 29, 2024. Darryl will provide the Director of Community Services an update after that meeting.

Ripley Minor Baseball

4.1 The batting cage in Point Clark needs to be taken down for the winter.

Darryl will arrange a group to take it down on Sunday, Oct. 20.

4.2 Best Ever Coach Clinic

The Best Coach Clinic is hosted by Ontario Baseball Association and is a 3 days course geared to provide baseball coaches education and experience with top coaching experts from major league baseball coaches. The course is January 10-12, 2025 in Toronto. Last year, two Ripley Minor Baseball coaches attended.

Darryl will be attending again in January and will bring back the information he learns and incorporate it in with the Ripley Minor Baseball Coach's Meeting in the spring. The committee discussed covering the cost of the course to support more coaches receiving the training and bring that information back to the committee.

The course cost is \$199

Motion No: 23/10/24 – 02

Moved by: Darryl Zettler

Seconded by: Meg Fry

THAT the Ripley Summer Sports Committee will reimburse the cost for one coach to take the Best of Coaches Clinic for 2025.

Carried

4.3 Goderich request to support OBA team

Darryl received an email from Goderich Minor Baseball requesting a combined/joint OBA U9 team with Ripley Minor Baseball. See attached.

The Committee had a few concerns with this request:

1. Parents would be more likely to travel to Kincardine for OBA tryouts/practices/games then to Goderich.
2. The Ripley Summer Sports Committee doesn't have the capacity to help organize an OBA team for U9

Darryl will email the Goderich Minor Baseball contact with the committee's concerns.

4.4 Brush Clearing at Point Clark Ball Diamond

The Community Services Department cleared a large section of brush and overgrowth on the south side of the Point Clark Ball Diamond outfield. Ripley Minor Baseball was having to replace a lot of foul balls that could not be recovered because of the overgrowth, which was costing the organization quite a bit of money out of the equipment budget. To help alleviate this loss, the brush was cleared and will be maintained next summer.

Ripley Minor Soccer Program

The Ripley Minor Soccer will continue to collaborate with Kincardine Minor Soccer, using the same format for teams U8 and above.

Planning

- Develop a schedule of events for the 2025 season including:
 - o Registration timeline – Jan. 1 to March 31 2025
 - o Picture day – Leeah discuss with Jean
 - o Indoor practices – April 14, 21, 28, 2025
 - o Evaluations April 30 and May 5, 2025
 - o Summer Sports Banquet – Sept. 5 -NOTE: Order more pizza next year and set up the space so that teams sit together
 - o Fundraising events – Fundraising Coordinator
 - o Coaches Meeting – April 7, 2025
 - o Coaches Appreciation Night - cancelled

Adjournment

The Ripley Summer Sports Committee hereby adjourns the October 23, 2024 meeting. January 9, 2025

Motion No: 23/10/24 - 03

Moved by: Cayley McDonald

Seconded by: Meg Fry

Carried

Action Items from October 23 2024 Meeting

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	Services if offering a discount to committee members on registration fee is possible to as a way to entice more people to join		
Committee members	Set up table at indoor practices, recruiting people to volunteer		
Equipment Manager	Find a better way to track jerseys given to teams		

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