

Belmore Arena Board Meeting – Monday, April 18, 2022

Those in attendance; Jeremy Underwood, Lindsay Underwood, Mark Goetz, Jim Nelemans, Eldon Bowman, Nigel Van Dyk, Warren Weber, Bill DeVos, Maureen Scott, Randy Scott, Wanda Inglis, Sharon Hofman, Ian Inglis, Chris Inglis, Kim Harris, Darlene Loos. Guest Attendee: Dan Renwick.

Jeremy called the meeting to order at 8:05pm.

Jeremy made a motion to amend meeting agenda to add Dan Renwick re: Pickleball. Motion accepted by Randy Scott and seconded by Mark Goetz.

Jeremy asked for any errors or omissions within the minutes from the March 21, 2022 meeting received via email prior to this meeting. None noted. Minutes accepted by Ian Inglis, seconded by Mark Goetz.

Business Arising From Last Meeting:

- Liability Insurance Information from Howick Township:
 - o Kim & Chris called Brenda at the Township to discuss.
 - Every outside rental (ie: Bridal Shower, Meeting) must contact their insurance broker and get a liability extension put on their policy. Municipal run events are covered. Many questions as to which groups must obtain this liability extension (ie: Howick Soccer?)
 - In turn this information would need to be recorded and reported to Howick Twp on a quarterly basis.
 - The Arena Board questioned why this would be necessary when we already pay for insurance and if necessary, renters also obtain a PAL policy.
 - Suggestion that a letter be drafted to Howick Council asking for more information and clarification and also requesting a discussion with their Insurance Broker so we can confirm our internal policy is in place correctly.
 - o Letter must be in to Howick Twp before their next meeting
 - Should we be upping our policy to \$3M or \$5M liability?
- Fire Plan we submitted to Twp and Howick Fire included an error within the address of the Belmore Facilities. Howick Twp will correct this and give us an updated copy of the plan.

Treasurer Report:

- Nigel presented his report noting bills to be paid this month total \$3204.51. Noting an additional \$17,000. in bills were submitted at beginning of meeting.
 - o Noting, hydro has been ½ of normal cost by running just the curling ice, not both ice surfaces.
 - o We are very fortunate to receive a one-time COVID grant of \$10,000. from Morris-Turnberry. The board expressed their thanks to Jim Nelemans and asked him to relay our appreciation on to the Morris-Turnberry Council.
- Warren Weber made a motion to pay bills, seconded by Randy Scott. Carried.
- Treasurer's report attached to minutes.

COVID Update:

- Nothing to report

Belmore Catering:

- Maureen Scott provided an update from Catering's April 11, 2022 meeting.
 - o First catering event, Men's bonspiel on March 12, 2022, served 52 meals at \$20 each. Total of \$1175.00
 - o Gay Lea Bonspiel was a success. \$300. was received in the form of a donation plus the food costs were reimbursed.
 - o Future Catering events:
 - May 6 – Chamber dinner – approx. 150 people
 - May 21 – Nancy & Gerald Smith Anniversary Dinner – meat, potatoes and vegetable to be done by outside caterer. Belmore Catering to look after pickle trays, salads, buns and desserts
 - October 22 – Belmore Curling Lottery Dinner – approx. 340 to 400 people
 - October 29 – Detzler wedding – full meal is required for approx. 150 guests
 - o Discussion around ways that the kitchen could be used to generate income and for community gatherings. More discussions at future meetings.
 - o Next meeting is on May 9, 2022

General Maintenance:

- Gun Club has mentioned the ballast in the upstairs meeting room is not working and they would like it fixed by May 6th.
- Notice received that Hamlet of Belmore sign is down.

Parks Board

- Chris was contacted re: lawn/yard clean-up for facilities \$400 + \$200 for seniors building.
- Ball Diamond lawn maintenance being looked after by Ball Club. Jeremy will pass this info on to Parks Board.

Rentals:

- Kim received cheque from Gay Lea for corkage fee. Kim mentioned corkage should not be charged for in-house rentals as that money is coming back to Belmore anyways.
 - o Kim made the motion that corkage fee not be charged to in-house events where 100% of proceeds are coming back to the Belmore Arena Board or Belmore Chamber, 2nd by Jim Nelemans. Carried.
 - o Soccer wants to rent facility for May 20th & May 27th for soccer practice.
 - Kim would like Warren & Rose to look after the "new insurance paperwork" for sporting events being held on the arena surface.
 - o Mass emails continue to be an issue.
 - Certain people not getting the emails
 - o April 2021 – Elaine @ Budsteel was asked to do a quote for 5 washroom doors in the change rooms.
 - \$3045.00 – including installation
 - Chris made the motion to approve ordering the doors at \$250. Sharon Hofman 2nd. Carried
 - o "Donate to Paint" email went out last week. Have received 3 donations to date.
 - o Foodgrains Dinner – date not confirmed for this booking.

Ice Rentals & Maintenance:

- Nothing.

Curling:

- Nothing.

Belmore Figure Skating:

- Still need a coach. If no coach is found, the club will fold.
 - o If anyone knows of a coach, let Sharon or any member of the Skating Club know.

South Bruce:

- Nothing

Turnberry:

- Nothing.

Howick:

- Eldon Bowman reported 2.6% tax rate increase
 - o Brady Nolan who gave Belmore a lot of assistance is leaving his job at Howick Twp.
 - o Lots of discussion regarding changing the arena's fluorescent lighting to energy efficient.
 - Chris will send letter to Howick Council requesting modernization funds for this upgrade.

Communications:

- Reminder of info received on Hensall Co-op Grant – funding of a project that better the community. Submission deadline is May 31st.
 - o Lindsay Underwood and Jenn VanDyk will work on a submission. Submission to be 250 words or less.
 - Suggested we request funds for sandblasting which will revitalize the facility.

Chamber:

- Annual General Meeting is on Friday May 6th.
 - o 150 tickets available
 - Dinner, 2 guest speakers and bar will be open

Other Business:

- Warren advised Wingham has a Zamboni for sale.
 - o \$6500. – is in perfect condition and is self-levelling
 - o Belmore still currently uses a tractor
 - o Warren will find out more information
 - Length of the Zamboni
 - How it dumps snow
- Dan Renwick in attendance on behalf of the Pickleball Group. The group is wanting to play pickleball again this year. Arena Board has no problem with pickleball starting up again.
 - o Likely won't start until May
 - o Would like information put on the digital sign in front of the arena.
 - o Kim will do a mass email. To include: night, time, cost (\$20 membership + \$2/play)
 - o Jenna Weber can put info on Facebook
 - o Lindsay Underwood will put information on the website

Next meeting is May 16, 2022.

At 9:22pm, Jeremy called for motion to adjourn meeting; motion by Warren Weber, seconded by Ian Inglis.