

TOWN OF LUMSDEN

MINUTES OF RECREATION & CULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING NOVEMBER 29th, 2006

The Lumsden Recreation & Culture Committee convened a meeting in the Council Chambers of the Town Office, on the afternoon of Wednesday, November 29th, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. with Chairman Ron Hart presiding.

Present:	Chairman:	Ron Hart
	Mayor:	Verne Barber
	Administrator:	Wayne Zerff
	Community Co-ordinator:	Chris Exner
Absent:	Councillor	Wayne McKay, Gerry Tomkins

General Discussion:

Centennial Hall

- The committee met to discuss the Centennial Hall and review the usage statistics for the past few years, as well as, attempt to determine a base fee for all users to cover the basic operation costs for the facility.
- The Hall is being advertised on a regular basis.
- It was determined to leave the base rate to the staff for a recommendation as the usage numbers are low compared to the basic operation costs.

Facilities Manager

- It was also agreed to look at the possibility of spreading the caretaker cost, which is one of the highest operation costs, over all the facilities perhaps through a facility manager that would care for all public municipal buildings.
- It was also mentioned that perhaps the Town could partner with the Lumsden Sports Association to get the economies of scale.

RiverPark

- The Committee agreed that costs for a new campground washroom should be obtained and that an application to the new recreation grant program should be made for funding in 2007.
- The Committee indicated that there is a need for a future plan for Riverpark Station that either renovates or replaces the existing building with one that better meets the community's needs.

Downtown Theme

- There has been talk of creating an Old English style for the downtown main street with lights on the bridge to enhance its public appeal and increase tourists/visitors to our downtown core.
- Chris indicated that he would keep the committee and Council informed on any choices the Chamber makes in this area.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Chairman

Administrator