



BOARD OF PARK MANAGEMENT

A meeting of the Board of Park Management will be held on **Monday, November 3, 2025, at 3:30 p.m.** in the **Games Room** at the Rotary Complex.

PRESENT: Chairman Hanly, Vice Chair Richardson Maureen Cocksedge, Carolyn Cuerden, Craig Machan, Sheri Maguire, Councilor Bonnie Henderson.

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Councilor Beatty.

STAFF PRESENT: Quin Malott, Parks Forestry & Cemetery Manager.

AGENDA

2874. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF:

The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act requires any member of a local Board of Council declaring a pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof, where the interest of a member has not been disclosed by reason of the member's absence from the meeting, to disclose the interest at the first open meeting attended by the member of The Board and to otherwise comply with the Act.

2875. MINUTES:

Objective: The minutes of September 8, 2025, meeting provided for approval.

Suggested Resolution: **THAT the minutes of September 8, 2025, meeting be approved.**

Mover:

Seconders:

Carried.

2876. ART IN THE PARK:

Objective: Letter of request from Art in the Park executive committee [AIP] requesting additional day be extended into 2026.

Letter received from Lynne Huras artist and committee member, has been circulated to Board members with the agenda package. AIP request is similar to previous years. Art in the Park added Thursdays in July and August of 2025 to their schedule in addition to the regular Wednesdays and Saturdays.



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Staff Recommendation: To allow as outlined. No issues in the past.

Suggested Resolution: THAT the Board of Park Management approve the request by Lynne Huras for Art in the Park to add Thursdays in July and August for the 2026 season in addition to their regular Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Mover:

Seconders:

Carried.

2877. SHAKESPEAREAN GARDENS FOOTBRIDGE:

Objective: Further to Item #2870 from the September 8th, 2025 regular meeting of the Board, a letter detailing the Board of Park Management decision was sent to Reginald White, Chairman of the Friends of the Shakespearean Gardens group.

Provided to the Board for their awareness.

2878. THOMAS ORR DAM:

Objective: To provide information to the Board of Park Management on follow-up information from Upper Thames River Conservation Authority [UTRCA] on low water levels issue in 2025. From Item #2873: Thomas Orr Dam/Low Lake water levels in August 2025 – the Board members expressed serious concerns about the blockage incident involving the north gate of the Thomas Orr Dam, the resulting low water levels in the lake, and the many impact that resulted from this situation. The Board is interested in knowing the circumstances and reasons that lead to the north gate being raised, the timeliness of any corrective action taken, and what steps are being taken to prevent any similar occurrences in the future.

UTRCA meeting minutes provided to Board members for their awareness as requested.

2879. COUNTRYSIDE ESTATES:

Objective: To update the Board on progress with Countryside Estates Park development.

Darcy Drummond, manager of Recreation and Marketing Community Services, update provided for Board of Park Management member awareness. The lifecycle on the right-hand side provides a synopsis of timeline and types of engagement conducted, and what the next step is.



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Once we receive the consultants' final report, there will be an opportunity for the Parks Board to provide additional feedback.

2880. OTHER BUSINESS:

Motion to adjourn.