

The Corporation of the Town of Kearney

**RECREATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 10, 2026 – 2:00 p.m.
Seniors Room

Members Present: Secretary of Recreation Becky Logan, Treasurer Jenny Leblond, Councillor Jill Sharer, Janet Dunsmore, Pauleen Patton, Patti Kennery and Debbie Watson.

Regrets: Bea Dubuc, Tracey Mashinter

1. Call the Meeting to Order at 2:04pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Res. No. 04-26 Debbie Watson, Jill Sharer

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney, adopts the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Interest

None Noted.

4. Delegations/Presentations

None.

5. Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

Res. No. 05-26 Janet Dunsmore, Patti Kennery

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney adopts the minutes of January 13, 2026 as circulated.

CARRIED

6. Items for Discussion

6.1. Staff Activity & Programming Report

The Committee reviewed the January programming report and noted that attendance in all fitness classes remains steady. Lisa's contract was recently renewed, and it was recommended that the drop-in rate for the Tuesday and Thursday fitness classes be increased from \$10 to \$15 to match the other classes. Staff confirmed that kids' dance will return for a 7-week spring session in March, with more sessions planned for May-June and September-October. Amanda's Monday evening classes will also start running on a weekly basis.

Res. No. 06-26 Patti Kennery, Janet Dunsmore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney agrees to increase the drop-in rate for Tuesday and Thursday fitness classes to \$15 beginning March 1.

CARRIED

6.2. Family Day Pancake Breakfast

The Committee discussed plans for the Family Day Pancake Breakfast. Staff noted the Firefighters Association will take care of the kitchen and cooking, and two volunteers from St. Patrick's Parish will handle admissions at the door. Pauleen shared that eight Lions Club volunteers will also help run the event and that the Lions planned to pick up pancake mix and other supplies. Staff will contact them to confirm that the Town has already purchased the food supplies needed for the fundraiser.

6.3. Update on March Break and summer sports programming

The Committee reviewed plans for March Break and confirmed that the gym will be open on Monday and Friday from 11:00AM to 2:00PM to align with library programming. Staff confirmed that parents will be required to stay and supervise their children, and volunteers will only be needed to make sure that the space and equipment are being used properly. Staff will advertise for high school students that might want to volunteer for hours. The Committee directed Staff to purchase equipment for March Break and the tentative summer drop-in sports programming.

Res. No. 07-26 Patti Kennery, Janet Dunsmore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney establish a budget in the amount of \$645.00 for the purchasing of the following equipment: badminton birdies, floor hockey equipment and 4 Plasmacars.

CARRIED

6.4. Legion Easter

The Committee confirmed they will contribute \$300 to the Legion for their upcoming Easter event and discussed helping the Legion on the morning of Sunday, April 5. Lisa Lahn has requested 3-4 volunteers to help.

6.5. Update on Canada Day

Staff provided quotes to the Committee for a bouncy castle and face painter. The Committee discussed options for food vendors with Pauleen confirming that the Lions and the Legion plan to provide snow cones and popcorn and are looking into procuring a hot dog roller. Staff noted that the Firefighters Association offered to host a barbecue as a possibility; the Committee will wait and see if the Lions can arrange for hot dogs before considering other options. The Committee noted that a stage will need to be provided for Tobin Spring's band. The Committee directed Staff to book the bouncy castle from Air Bounce Adventures and Bernice Lauzon for face painting.

Res. No. 08-26 Janet Dunsmore, Debbie Watson

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney establish a budget in the amount of \$2,800. for the following events: Canada Day inclusive of bouncy castle, face painter and decorations.

CARRIED

6.6. Update on Music at Mirror Bay

Staff informed the Committee that Tina Turley's band will be filling in for the July 11 date for a fee of \$500, bringing the total expense amount for Music on Mirror Bay to \$3,200. The Committee discussed and approved plans to purchase a retractable banner from Vistaprint for the community centre to promote Music at Mirror Bay and Movie Night in September for approximately \$200.00. The Committee also discussed potential locations in the community for sandwich boards to be possibly erected to further enhance advertising.

6.7. Finalize 2026 Budget

Staff gave the Committee a summary of the 2025 recreation revenue and expenses, noting that revenue budget exceeded by \$1,773. Staff prepared a draft recreation budget for 2026 based on the Committee's review of events and programs from the January meeting and the changes discussed. The Committee discussed and approved an overall recreation budget of \$35,500 for the year, inclusive of \$23,200 towards programming and \$12,300 towards events.

Res. No. 09-26 Janet Dunsmore, Jill Sharer


BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney establish a budget in the amount of \$35,500 for the 2026 recreation budget, inclusive of \$23,200 programming budget, and \$12,300 events budget.

7. Adjournment


Res. No. 10-26 Janet Dunsmore, Patti Kennery

BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Committee of the Town of Kearney adjourns the meeting at 3:30PM to meet again at 2:00PM on March 10, 2026.

CARRIED



Chair



Secretary