

# Whitby 55+ Recreation Advisory Committee (2024)



## Meeting Minutes

Friday, June 14, 2024 – 9:00 am

Location: Boardroom, 55+ Recreation Centre, 801 Brock St. S

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**Present:** Sharon Bagatto, Jane Hilton, Lynda Kruitz, Susan Lythgoe, Mary Poirier, Joanne Smith, Kim Evans

**Regrets:** Mayor Elizabeth Roy, Lise Watt, Lena Ebrekdjian, Roz Puddester

### Presentations:

Kim Evans, Manager 55+, Accessibility, Diversity and Sean Malby, Senior Manager of Parks presented the draft “Parks and Recreation Master Plan.”

1. **Approval of Agenda** – Approved by Mary.
2. **Approval of Minutes** from Previous Meeting - Approved by Mary.
3. **Business Arising** (Action items from previous minutes) None.
4. **New Business**
  - a. **Supervisor’s Report** (Supervisor)
    1. **Staffing update:**
      - a. Summer Student, Micaela Bircham, presented her programs for summer 2024.
      - b. Kim reminded everyone that Cathy Jordan is retiring after 20+ years.
      - c. Victoria Duncan, 55+ Outreach Coordinator, presented her ideas for 55+ outreach programs.
    2. **Seniors Month**
      - a. **“Unsyncable” Movie** (Friday, May 31 from 2:00 - 3:30 pm) Event went well. 80+ people attended.
      - b. **Art Show** at Whitby Public Library (June 1- 30) 16 artists submitted their works.
      - c. **Play In Whitby Day** (Saturday, June 8 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm) Went well. Not a lot of seniors were in attendance, but people were asking about 55+ programs for their parents. Mostly a family-oriented

event. Many people of all ages played pickleball.

Perhaps add face painting to our table for next year.

- d. **Meet the Artists** at Whitby Public Library (Friday, June 14 at 11:00 am)
  - e. **Elder Abuse Prevention Awareness Day** (Saturday, June 15) Regional event.
  - f. **55+ BBQ** (Friday, June 21 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm)
  - g. **Fraud Seminar** (Wednesday, June 26 10:00 - 11:30 am)
3. **Mobile Market** (Fridays May 24 – October 11 1:30 – 3:00 pm) Going well, a great partnership. Would not continue through Winter as it will not attract as many customers.
  4. **55+ Survey Themes** – Move to September agenda.
  5. **Terms of Reference Review** – Changes were reviewed. A motion was made by Sharon that “the revised 55+ Recreation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be approved”. One person abstained from the vote, but the motion was approved. Draft terms attached.

b. **Other** (Members)

1. **Sub-Committees**

a. **Program Committee:** (Ashlyn, Cathy, Lise, Joanne)

i. Convenors Meeting in the Fall

b. **Special Events Committee:** (Ashlyn, Jessica, Lise, Joanne, Mary, Sharon, Lena, Lynda, Susan)

I. **Review:**

a. **Spring Social** (Friday, May 24)

6:30-8:30pm. This event went

well. People want more fast

songs for line dancing. Use

smaller plates. Always have an

extra table set up. There is some

concern with people not

registering and then showing up

expecting to get in.

b. **“Unsyncable” Movie** (Friday,

May 31) 2:00 - 3:30pm. Went

well. Was a great movie.

ii. **Upcoming Events:**

I. **55+ Extravaganza** (Friday, June 21)

10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Make sure to have

passport and include Lynde House.

c. **New Members Committee** (Kim, Roz, Lise, Mary)

i. **New dates:** Last Wednesday of each month

from 10:00 - 11:30 am in the Boardroom at 55+

(except July/Aug/Dec)

ii. Wednesday, May 29 10-11:20am. First one.

Went well. Small number of people. We should

work on a way to follow up with people and see

how they are doing.

iii. Wednesday, June 26 2:00 - 3:30 pm

iv. Wednesday, September 25 10:00 - 11:30 am

v. Wednesday, October 30 10:00 - 11:30 am

vi. Wednesday, November 27 10:00 - 11:30 am

- d. **Nominations Committee** (Kim, Roz)
    - i. Goal – to help recruit new volunteers
    - ii. Upcoming terms ending December 31, 2024:  
Sharon, Jane, Mary, Joanne, Lise
  - e. Sustainability Committee (Sheri, Roz, Jane, Mary)
    - i. **Monthly Eblasts.** The eblasts are great!
5. **Council Update** (Mayor Roy). Kim read an update shared by the Mayor via email.
6. **Community Information Sharing** (Members) - Community Items/Events of interest to share with group. **Station Gallery** Jazz nights. Information to go in eblast.
7. **Action Item Review/Next Meeting:** Friday, September 13, 9:00am at the Amica Whitby, 200 Kenneth Hobbs Avenue, Amica will provide the snacks.
8. Adjournment at 10:55 am.