

5. **DEPUTATIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS**

9:40AM Mrs. Karen Kadowaki
Blackstock Advisory Committee

**Re: Annual Committee Report - Blackstock Advisory
Committee**

Meeting: General Purpose & Administration Committee

Date: March 1, 2010

Dept: Parks, Recreation & Culture

Report No: BRAC-2010-01-GP&A

Title: Blackstock Recreation Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Committee recommend to Council that the Blackstock Recreation Advisory Committee 2009 Annual Report be received for information;

AND THAT the 2010 Work Plan be endorsed.

BACKGROUND:

Each year, Advisory Committees prepare reports to Council outlining accomplishments and identifying plans for the next year following it's mandate laid out in the Blackstock Recreation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference.

Staff, in conjunction with the Chair of the Blackstock Recreation Advisory Committee, has prepared the 2009 Annual Report and proposed 2010 Work Plan for Council's information and endorsement.

The activities of the Blackstock Recreation Advisory Committee are supported at a Staff level through the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department. The Committee itself is currently comprised of a possible 6 volunteers. Karen Kadowaki acts as the Chair of the Committee. Councillor Smith is the Council representative.

The mandate and goals of the Blackstock Recreation Advisory Committee are to:

- Advise Senior Municipal Administration, the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department and Township Council on the programs and services offered/required at the Blackstock Recreation Complex;
- Assist in the identification of community recreation and leisure needs;
- Encourage and support the Blackstock Recreation Complex in the delivery of programs and services designed to meet or exceed recognized professional standards and ethical behavior in all operational areas, including; administration, dissemination of information, and facility re-development;
- Liaise with the community individuals, groups, and organizations to gather input and encourage support for the Blackstock Recreation Complex and related programs and services;
- Promote the activities and programs of the Complex;
- Encourage the provision of programs and services that are affordable, accessible, and inclusive;
- Ensure the Blackstock Recreation Complex activities promote the advancement of programs and activities which are deemed beneficial to the community as a whole; and
- Otherwise support the activities of the Townships' Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture.

The following are a list of the highlights and accomplishments in 2009 for the Blackstock Recreation Advisory Committee:

- Recommended the replacement of the lights in the Nursery School classroom, Staff then followed through with this request.
- Had the Recreation Centre roof painted .

- Awarded the Arena concession contract.
- Floor vents were replaced in the recreation lobby.
- Arranged for accessible parking wall signage to be installed at the Rec Centre Parking lot.
- Requested Staff to install plexi-glass pamphlet holders in the arena lobby.
- A facility use permit was requested for the nursery school. Updated January 20, 2010.
- Held meetings regarding the Cartwright Town Hall renovation process and Trillium grant application.
- Held an Open House in the spring 2009 in conjunction with the Blackstock Agricultural Society to view the plans for the Cartwright Town Hall and Fairgrounds

PROPOSED 2010 WORK PLAN

The following is a summary of the activities which the committee plans to undertake in 2010:

- Annual User Group Meeting.—Tentative date: Monday, April 19, 2010.
- Investigate the cost to replace the lighting in the kitchen and washrooms of the rec centre.
- Make provisions to purchase a floor buffer in the 2011 budget.
- The committee will explore ways to increase parking to cut down congestion around the facilities.

- Investigate the costs of paint and wallpaper for the interior of Rec Centre as the interior of the facility needs updating.
- Investigate the replacement of the stove and fridge in the rec centre.
- Curtains for the Rec Centre stage are worn. Look at options for replacing them.
- Rec Centre stage floor needs to be re-finished. Provision in 2010 Budget.
- Replace bathroom partitions in the rec centre. Provision in 2010 Budget.
- Arena furnace will be replaced with a more efficient one. Provision in 2010 Budget.
- Move forward with the Cartwright Town Hall renovation depending on outcome of the Trillium Grant application.
- Work in conjunction with the Blackstock Agricultural Society to explore options to develop recreation opportunities at the fairgrounds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS: N/A

ACCESSIBILITY CONSIDERATIONS: N/A

FUNDING OPTIONS: N/A

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Kadowaki, Chair
Blackstock Recreation Advisory
Committee