

ENVIRONMENT, PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MANDATE

Committee Composition: 1 - Members of Council
7 - Members of the Public

Meetings: Monthly or as determined by Committee.

Chairperson: To be selected by Committee from non-municipal members.

None; unless out of town travel is required, then the Municipality of Red Lake's Travel Policy shall apply.

Mandate

The Committee will provide leadership, education and action to identify local environmental and recreational needs, develop local solutions and make recommendations to Council. This process will be guided by community needs, health and wellness, and environmental sustainability.

Recognition

Recognize the values and visions of the Municipality as defined in the Strategic Plan.

Recognize that our environment plays an important role in our health, and in order to have good health we need to have safe, clean environments to live, work and play in.

Recognize that environmental, parks and recreation services cannot be solely provided through taxation, and that programs and facilities should be operated in a manner that will provide fair and equitable opportunities at a reasonable cost to the taxpayer and the participant.

Recognize that parks and recreation services are a basic human need and should be available to all.

Recognize that forming partnerships with community groups and government agencies, both within and outside the Municipality for the creation of sustainable programs is vital.

Review and recommend park & recreation programs that will provide opportunity for people of all ages to engage in recreational activities.

Research best practices and priorities in environmental and recreational needs and requirements for the Municipality.

Review and recommend sustainable environmental and recreational policies and practices which are consistent and applicable to all Municipal by-laws and Ontario government legislation.

Recognize that travel and tourism have an impact on the economic wellbeing of the community and promotion of the community as a pristine destination can support the local economy.

Recognize that a culture of environmental awareness and continuous improvement can have a positive impact on the quality of life of the community.