

**RECREATION, SPECIAL EVENTS CULTURE & TOURISM
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Town of Carbonear
Council Chambers, October 1, 2025 @ 9:30 am

Present:	Councillor (Chair)	Malcolm Seymour
	Councillor	Ray Noel
	CAO	Cynthia Davis
	Director or Recreation	Rob Button
	EDTO	Kerri Abbott
	EA	Janice Green
Absent:	Deputy Mayor	Sam Slade

1. Business arising from minutes
 - RFP – Location of Future Facilities – The RFP is ready for advertisement.
 - Travel & Vacation Show, Rogers Centre Ottawa (April 11 & 12, 2026)
The province is attending the trade show and approached some municipalities to participate including Carbonear. The committee felt this is a good opportunity to promote the town. Funds are available in the budget. *The committee recommends the EDTO attend the conference.*
 - Plastic Weld, Slide – update. Repairs are ongoing with some work completed to date.
2. Special Events, Culture & Tourism
 - a) Plans are underway for the Harvest Festival. Town displays will be set up next week. Events will be added to the Town's website and social media. A Trick or Treat Walk is being planned for Nell's Trail. Tables for the Craft Fair are currently being booked.
 - b) October 1st - National Seniors Day
The Town is partnering with the Legion to host a Kitchen Party with Music and refreshments.
3. Correspondence
 - a) Heritage NL Workshop, Re: Care and maintenance of Historic Houses and Museums
Staff are registered to attend this one-day workshop scheduled for October 16, 2025
 - b) Resident concern, Claude Garland Memorial Playground
Two concerns were raised: (1) a broken bench that was removed from the dog park area. (2) Report of after-hours activity involving drug use in the area. The bench will be reinstated once repaired. The committee suggested that the drug use complaint be passed along to the RCMP so they could patrol the area which may deter this activity in the area and the MEO to also conduct patrols in the area.

4. EDTO Report
 - a) Age Friendly Grant - The town received funding to develop a plan. Several factors contributed to the project to be placed on hold earlier this year. The consultant is ready to commence research.
 - b) The multiculturalism event is planned for November 26.
 - c) Cooking classes in partnership with CNA are being planned.
 - d) Crafter's Circle - The number of participants has significantly increased.
5. New Business
 - a) The senior Recreation Seasonal Labourer recently completed the Playground Inspector Certification course.
 - b) Old Post Office radiator leak - Damages are currently being assessed as well as the deductible. It was recommended that funding options to retrofit the heating system in the building be investigated.
6. Ongoing items
 - Land expropriation for recreation purpose
 - Track Maintenance ongoing
 - Nell's Trail Maintenance ongoing
 - Locomotive
 - Pedestrian Bridge – staff will check on status of application. It was suggested to contact the MP to inquire on other funding sources.
 - Fence, Quinn's Playground – Spring project
 - Accessible playground funding initiatives
 - Strategic Plan

Will be revisited with the new council to review status of plan.
7. Adjournment 10:30 am