

## June 10th KCA Board Meeting

David Upton called the meeting to order

### **Motion to accept the financial statement**

Approved Anne Motion

Seconded by Hazen

All in favour carried

Gala Days Community Yard Sale Poster for June 21 has been sent out in mailboxes locally.

### **Building and Maitnance**

One coat of stain on the Canteen- goal to complete the second coat by the Gala days.

### **Canteen**

Wendy Hernick was in attendance at the meeting to take over managing the canteen Ken is providing ongoing help with the transition.

New 5 staff- Ava helped train staff on one federally funded position a year

Luke cleaned up the Canteen garden and added a few extra plants looks great.

### **Ken Kingsbury Official report:**

#### **Canteen Committee Report- 10 June, 2025**

*“ The Tides in Cantten is off to another start this year, albeit a bit of a slow one due to Mother Nature’s weather presentations. We have had many closed days already, but things are starting to slowly improving.*

*Our Sales comparisons for the Same period in 2024 are as follows:*

*May 1- June 9, 2025: \$10,019.42*

*May 1- June 9 2024: \$ 14,630.80*

*While this is a 31.5 percent decrease, we have improved from an approximate 75 percent decrease just a week or two ago.*

*We have five all new staff this year, but Ava Shirritt returned to work for a few weeks, which was a big help for me with training and continuite for the new staff. Ava will be moving on to a new job next week, so we will miss her at the canteen.*

*As reported previously, we have received funding for one position under the Federal Student Employment Grant and one under the Nova Scotia SKILL grant. While this funding will help with the payroll this year, minimum wages have increased from last year and we are down one federally funded position since last year.*

*I would like to thank the Building Committee, led by Hazen Fry and his team for the volunteers who did a great job of staining the canteen building. This is almost complete and has made a*

*remarkable improvement with this refresh of the building. I didn't know how much it needed it until I saw the change.*

*We are fortunate to now have Wendy Hernick join us as the Supervisor for the Tide's In Canteen. Wendy has recently returned to Kingsport from their winter home in Ontario and has just assumed this role. I have overwhelmed Wendy with information, so have offered to assist her in the transition to this role, and if requested, I will fill the role as liaison between the Canteen and the KCA Board.*

*We have added a few more meal options to the menu, chicken nuggets and mini corn dogs, and Wendy and the staff have some ideas for additional items to try. I heard a rumour that there could be some smoothies coming soon, as well as the possibility of some other healthy options.*

*Thank you for the support of the Board and many volunteers over the past three and a half years. It has made this job bearable. I expect to continue the help with some lawn mowing and cardboard recycling for the foreseeable future, but removing the day-to-day communications will be a huge relief!*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Ken Kingsbury."*

### **Park Committee**

Flag pole install- official opening of the Park & playground on Gala days.

Someone to take the old flag pole down - Tassi to inquire with Nick McQuade to do so.

Fitness and Wellness group free Yoga on her lawn

### **Playground**

The playground will be installed by the Gala days

Waiting on the sign, Anne is coordinating to get the sign and the cement pad

### **Comfort Center: Nothing to mention**

### **Communications**

Anne is now managing the e-mail and is checking 2-3 times a week

Posting is going out for KCA accepting donations- \$15 monthly in the Gazette

### **Gala Days**

Finalizing the timeline for the day where it stands now:

8:30 am Bake Sale managed by Dave Upton done before 10:30

9:00am - 1pm Community Yard Sale

9:30am -12:30pm Bingo in the Park

9:30am-1:30pm Bouncy castle/ face painting/ games/ Canning Rec to supervise

10:00- 2pm Tarot card reader set up by Lloyd Center  
11:00 am-1pm Fish Chowder ( cooking begins at 8am)  
2:45 - 3:00 pm- Kids of Kingsport Bike Parade starts at 366 Longspell rd ends at Pleasant st  
3:30 pm Grand opening of Playground Ribbon cutting ceremony & Acknowledgement to Alexa Armburg. Possible attendance of Kody Blois or John Lohr.  
4:00pm- Chicken Dinner Tickets sold all day \$18  
5:30pm- Make your own ice cream Sunday  
5:00pm- 8:00pm The Hupman Brothers in the park

**Motion from Howard, the board, to donate \$100 to Alexa and her efforts. Approved by Anne, seconded by Dave, all in favour.**

50/50 profit- Alex Arbuckle to manage the Schedule  
Mini Canteen at the park - Managed by Dave Upton  
Hazen is available all day to use as a runner  
Need to find a volunteer to sit through the day in the Lloyd Center to sell Chicken dinner and 50/50 tickets

**Beer Garden Discussion:**

Concerns raised around the potential of damages and attracting the wrong crowd with the offering of a beer garden. Discussion on liquor license and a plan to manage drinking, Insurance concern raised by Ken Kingsbury.  
Must have someone with a provincially approved alcohol service course to serve beer. Beer Garden to possibly move forward with Ken inquiring about insurance costs.

A vote will be held with the board online if insurance and licensing are sorted in time, if we would like to move forward with the Beer Garden.

New Business:

**Charging for rent** of Lloyd Center, Dave is going to look around to compare what other local halls do. For now it's agreed: \$25 cleaning deposit charge, \$100 full day, \$50 per half day.

**Kingsport Fitness and Wellness** adjusted their payments through Covid, and never returned to the previous pricing, will reach out to discuss.

**Boat launch-** Dave sent info to Cody Bloise- Invitation for him to attend, liability with boat launch.

Consider purchasing chicken barbeques instead of buying every year.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Howard. All in Favour.

