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CHAPTER 159

An Act respecting the Town of Strathroy

Assented to April 26th, 1974

WHEREAS The Corporation of the Town of Strathroy hereby represents that the Strathroy Recreation Committee was established by By-law 4-71G of the Town of Strathroy and that the Strathroy Board of Parks Management was established by By-law 1408 of the Town of Strathroy; and whereas The Corporation of the Town of Strathroy hereby represents that it is desirous of establishing a Parks, Community Centre and Recreation Commission for the better development and supervision of its public parks, its recreation facilities and its community centre or centres and for such purposes to charge the Commission with the duties and responsibilities and give it the powers and privileges of the Strathroy Board of Parks Management and the Strathroy Recreation Commission, established under The Public Parks Act and The Department of Education Act; and whereas the applicant hereby applies for special legislation in respect of such matters; and whereas it is expedient to grant the application;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

1. In this Act,

(a) "Commission" means The Strathroy Parks, Community Centres and Recreation Commission;

(b) "Council" means the council of the Town of Strathroy;

(c) "Town" means The Corporation of the Town of Strathroy.

2. — (1) Notwithstanding The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act, The Public Parks Act and The Community Centres Act, there shall be a commission which shall
be known as The Strathroy Parks, Community Centres and Recreation Commission, and shall be composed of,

(a) two members of Council to be appointed by the Council, one of whom shall be the mayor or his delegate who shall also be a member of Council; and

(b) seven other persons appointed by the Council who shall be qualified to be elected as members of Council, but not members of Council.

(2) The members of the Commission who are not members of the Council shall hold office for three years, provided that, on the first appointment, the Council shall designate which member shall hold office,

(a) until the 1st day of January of the year next following the date of his appointment;

(b) until the 1st day of January of the second year next following the date of his appointment; and

(c) until the 1st day of January of the third year next following the date of his appointment,

respectively.

(3) The members of the Commission who are members of Council shall be appointed to correspond with their term of office.

(4) The members of the Commission shall hold office until their successors are appointed, and, except in the case of members of Council, are eligible for appointment for two full three-year terms.

(5) Where a member ceases to be a member of the Commission before the expiration of his term of office, the Council shall appoint another qualified person for the unexpired portion of the term of the member being replaced.

(6) The first appointments of members of the Commission shall be made by the Council immediately upon the coming into force of this Act, and thereafter the appointments shall be made annually at the first meeting of the Council in any year, and any vacancy arising from any cause other than the expiration of the term for which a member was appointed shall be filled at the first meeting of the Council held after the vacancy occurs.

(7) A majority of the members of the Commission constitutes a quorum.
(8) At its first meeting in every year, the Commission shall elect a chairman and a vice-chairman from among the members of the Commission, and in the absence of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall preside and the Commission shall appoint a secretary, who may, but need not, be a member of the Commission.

(9) The chairman, vice-chairman and secretary shall hold office at the pleasure of the Commission or for such a period as the Commission may prescribe.

(10) When the chairman, vice-chairman or secretary is absent or unable to act, the Commission may appoint a chairman or secretary pro tempore.

(11) The Commission may engage such employees and consultants as it considers expedient.

(12) The Treasurer of the Town shall be the treasurer of the Commission.

3. The members of the Commission shall be paid such remuneration as Council may determine.

4. Except as otherwise provided in this Act, The Ministry of Community and Social Services Act and the regulations made thereunder, The Community Centres Act and the regulations made thereunder and The Public Parks Act, except the provisions constituting a Board of Park Management as a corporation and authorizing such a Board to acquire and hold land, apply to the Commission as if it has been established in accordance with such Acts and regulations.

5.—(1) When the first members of the Commission have been appointed, The Strathroy Recreation Committee and The Strathroy Board of Park Management are dissolved, and the assets and liabilities thereof become the assets and liabilities of the Commission.

(2) All by-laws hereinbefore passed in so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended so as to give full force and effect to this Act.

6. The Commission may contract and may sue and be sued in its own name.

7.—(1) The Commission shall, on or before the 15th day of February in each year, submit to the Council an itemized
estimate of its financial requirements for the year, and sub-
ject to the provisions of The Public Parks Act, the Council
may amend such estimate and shall pay out of the moneys
appropriated for the Commission such amounts as may be
requisitioned from time to time by the Commission.

(2) Where any moneys have been included in the estimates
of the Commission for a designated purpose, they shall be
used by the Commission only for such designated purpose.

8. The Commission shall operate, maintain, manage and
develop on behalf of the Town all recreational centres,
parks, playgrounds and other real property of a like nature
vested in or leased by the Town and used or designed for
recreational purposes and shall be in charge of, manage and
make available for recreational purposes all recreational
equipment, recreational facilities and other personal property
belonging to the Town and used or designated for recreational
purposes.

9. The Commission shall operate, maintain and manage
on behalf of the Town all properties which are now or
which may hereafter be established as community centres
pursuant to The Community Centres Act, or the regulations
made thereunder.

10. This Act comes into force on the day it receives
Royal Assent.

11. This Act may be cited as The Town of Strathroy Act,
1974.