

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION
SERVICE AND RESOURCE CENTRE BOARD ROOM
WEDNESDAY, 2014-MAR-26, AT 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioner D. Johnstone, Chair

Members: Commissioner T. Greves
Commissioner F. Pattje
Commissioner K. Alden
Commissioner L. Avis
Commissioner M. Beaudoin-Lobb
Commissioner H. Houle
Commissioner A. McPherson
Commissioner G. Savage
Commissioner I. Thorpe
Commissioner M. Young

Regrets: Commissioner D. Rinald

Staff: R. Harding, Director, Parks, Recreation and Environment
K. MacDonald, Parks and Open Space Planner
J. Farrell, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that Item 12 (a) Delegation move forward on the Agenda prior to Item 5 (a) Presentation. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda, as amended, be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Meeting held Wednesday, 2014-FEB-26 at 5:01 p.m. in the Service and Resource Centre Board Room be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

4. DELEGATIONS:

- (a) Laura Shanner, presented a request for a VIP Grant of \$30,000 for Hawthorne Park.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission approve a \$30,000 VIP Grant for Hawthorne Park pending budget approval. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

- (a) Dr. Paul Hasselback, Central Island Medical Health Officer, gave a presentation on the State of the Child report, Nanaimo/Ladysmith region, which was followed up by a presentation on Early Years programming by Chris Barfoot, Culture and Heritage Coordinator with Tracy Stuart, Recreation Coordinator.

6. CHAIR'S REPORT:

- (a) Richard Harding, Director, Parks, Recreation and Environment, gave a presentation on the work taking place around Oliver Woods Community Centre.

7. REPORTS OF ADVISORY BODIES:

- (a) Parks Committee: Commissioner Thorpe gave a verbal report on the Parks Committee meeting held 2014-MAR-13.
- (b) Recreation Committee: Commissioner Greves gave a verbal report on the Recreation Committee meeting held 2014-MAR-13.

i. 2014 Arena Dry Floor Allocations – Long-term Options

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission:

- develop an updated policy of Arena Allocations that addresses concerns expressed by user groups ready for implementation for the 2015 season, and that Commission and Staff work with all user groups in developing this updated allocation policy, and, once completed, bring the policy forward to Council for review and consideration;
- create a steering committee in March of this year to forward the plans for a covered dry floor at Harewood Centennial Park and that Lacrosse and other dry floor users be part of the committee; and,
- direct Staff to work out detailed costs and funding options for proceeding with the covered dry floor facility at Harewood Centennial Park.

The motion carried unanimously.

- (c) Grants Advisory Committee: Commissioner Avis reported on meetings held since 2014-FEB-27.

8. STAFF REPORTS:

- (a) Update on Interim Improvements at Caledonia Park

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission receive the report for information. The motion carried unanimously.

(b) Travel Assistance Grant Applications

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council approve the applications for Travel Assistance Grants to:

- the Nanaimo Ebbitides Masters Swim Club in the amount of \$350 for seven athletes to attend the Provincial Championships, being held in Kelowna, BC; and,
- the Nanaimo Ebbitides Masters Swim Club in the amount of \$700 for seven athletes to attend the National Masters Championships, being held in Windsor, ON; and,
- the Nanaimo Ebbitides Masters Swim Club in the amount of \$700 for seven athletes to attend Fina World Masters Championships, being held in Montreal, QC; and,
- the NDSS Senior Boys Basketball in the amount of \$600 for 12 athletes to attend the 2014 BC High School Boys AAA Basketball Championships, being held in Langley, BC; and,
- the Wellington Secondary School Band in the amount of \$1,000 for 210 band members to attend MusicFest Canada Nationals, being held in Richmond, BC.

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded to hold all Travel Assistance Grant applications for reconsideration pending a review of the Travel Assistance Grant criteria. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that the Recreation Committee conduct a review of the Travel Assistance Grant criteria and report back to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission with a recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

(c) Parks Operations Monthly Report: Monthly report for February 2014.

(d) Recreation Services Monthly Report: Monthly report for February 2014.

(e) BC Summer Games Update
L. Williams, Manager, Recreation Services

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture receive for information. The motion carried unanimously.

9. CORRESPONDENCE:

- (a) Minutes of the Nanaimo Harbour City Seniors Board of Directors Meeting held 2014-MAR-07.

It was moved and seconded that the Correspondence be received. The motion carried unanimously.

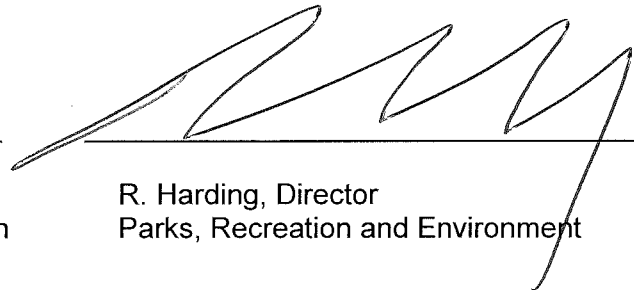
10. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 7:12 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



D. Johnstone, Chair
Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission



R. Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Environment