

**NOTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
RECREATION COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM
WEDNESDAY, 2012-SEP-12, COMMENCING AT 3:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Commissioner Ted Greves, Chair

Members: Commissioner Karen Alden
Commissioner Lynda Avis

REGRETS: Commissioner Diana Johnstone
Commissioner Mercedes Beaudoin-Lobb

Staff: S. Samborski H. King
M. Smith Robin Tweed, Recording

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS: NONE.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. ADOPTION OF MEETING NOTES:

(a) Meeting Notes of the Regular Recreation Committee Meeting held Wednesday, 2012-MAY-16, at 4:00 p.m., in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting notes of 2012-MAY-16 be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

NONE.

6. CHAIR'S REPORT:

(a) Overnight Camping in the Parks.

At the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission meeting held on 2012-JUN-27, Staff recommended that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission refer the issue of Overnight Camping in the Parks to the Recreation Committee for review and report back with recommendations for updating.

Subsequently, it was moved and seconded that the matter be referred to the Recreation Committee.

The 2012-JUN-27 Report to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission is attached for information.

It was moved and seconded that the Chair's report be received. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff advised that overnight camping is only allowed when it is related to a specific event. It is proposed that the matter will be reviewed at the 2012-OCT-10 Recreation Committee meeting. Westwood Lake Campground will be advised that they may appear as a delegation if they wish at that meeting. Process is that groups requiring camping request permission and consult with Staff – and permission is given in accordance with the criteria that is established in the policy. The policy has been re-introduced to all the user groups this year and they are cooperative – in most cases it has been followed – if there have been exceptions the groups have been spoken with. Staff is currently gathering information from the user groups identified in the policy and that information will be used when the policy is reviewed. In many cases, the trailers on site contain the equipment and facilities required for the event. BCSSA Games do have requirement that a certain number of on-site spaces be available. When VIEx is on there are campers that provide overnight security. Staff will review with PRCC as part of the Fees & Charges policies and at that time they will have all available stats. The fees that are associated with the overnight parking will also be reviewed.

Commissioners felt that having exceptions, particularly in the event when animals are being housed on City property, is appropriate.

7. REPORTS OF PROJECT COMMITTEES: NONE.

8. STAFF REPORTS:

(a) **2012 Parks, Recreation and Culture Regulation
Bylaw 2008 No.7073 Review Process.**

Delegations: (None.)

Correspondence: (None.)

Staff's Recommendation: That the Recreation Committee recommend that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission approve the proposed 2012 Parks, Recreation and Culture Regulation Bylaw 2008 No.7073 Parks Bylaw #7073 review process as outlined in the report.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

9. CORRESPONDENCE: (not related to a Report to the Committee)

(a) Letter dated 2012-APR-17 received from Ms. Judie Roberts and Ms. Leslie Smith, Co-Chairs, Host Committee, Nanaimo Curling Club, thanking the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission for their support through the grant program and providing their financial statement for the event.

(b) Letter dated 2012-JUN-08 from Mr. Peter McCaffery, President, Mid Island Velo Association, 101 - 6227 Pleasant Ridge Place, Nanaimo, BC, V9T 0B3, advising of the decision to cancel the Nanaimo Cobblestone Classic Criterium event for

this year. (Note: grant monies had not yet been disbursed; therefore, there would be no need for the group to return funds.)

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

10. NOTICE OF MOTION: NONE.
11. OTHER BUSINESS: NONE.
12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.
13. QUESTION PERIOD: NO QUESTIONS.
14. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 3:15 p.m. that the meeting adjourn, with the next meeting of the Recreation Committee to be held, if required, Wednesday, 2012-OCT-10, commencing at 3:00 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

The motion carried unanimously.



Ted Greves
CHAIR
RECREATION COMMITTEE

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