

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION
HELD IN THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM
ON WEDNESDAY, 2010-OCT-27, COMMENCING AT 5:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Commissioner D. Johnstone, Acting Chair

Members: Commissioner F. Pattje
Commissioner L. Avis
Commissioner D. Burnett
Commissioner J. Cowling
Commissioner B. Dempsey
Commissioner S. Lance
Commissioner B. Meunier
Commissioner G. Rudischer
Commissioner B. Sparkes
Commissioner M. Young

Regrets: Commissioner L. McNabb, Chair

Staff: R. Harding J. Ritchie
S. Samborski R. Tweed, recording

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Acting Chair, Diana Johnstone, made introductory remarks with regard to the absence of the appointed Chair, Larry McNabb, and advised that until Chair McNabb was able to resume his duties as Chair, she and Commissioner Fred Pattje would serve as Chair in rotation as per Bylaw No. 7020, Section 6.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- (a) Minutes of the Regular Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Meeting held Wednesday, 2010-SEP-22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

7. STAFF REPORTS:

(a) Vancouver Island Raiders Training Building at Comox Field.

Staff's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission support the placement of a building on the South sideline of the newly upgraded Comox Field for use by the Vancouver Island Raiders Junior Football team.

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

Mr. Abassi advised the Commission members that the playoff game against Hamilton will be held at 1:00 p.m., at Caledonia Field on Saturday, 2010-OCT-30. This will be the Raiders' last home game this year.

8. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

(a) PRCC Certificate & Medallion Presentations.

- Wednesday, 2010-NOV-17
- 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m
- Beban Social Centre Lounge. (new location)
- RSVP by Friday, 2010-OCT-29.

(b) Commission Christmas Social.

- Wednesday, 2010-DEC-01
- 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m
- Bowen Park Auditorium
- RSVP by Friday, 2010-NOV-12.

(c) Motion Tabled from PRCC Meeting of 2010-SEP-22.

Update - Resignations from the Cultural Committee.

Cultural Committee's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission receive the correspondence from Ms. D. R. George McGladrey dated 2010-AUG-11; the correspondence from Ms. Lynne Fraser dated 2010-AUG-11; and the correspondence from Chair Eveline O'Rourke dated 2010-AUG-02.

Chair Johnstone advised that she and Richard Harding had met with Eveline O'Rourke, George McGladrey, and Lynne Fraser to discuss their possible return to the Cultural Committee. Eveline O'Rourke and George McGladrey have reconsidered their decision and returned to the Committee; however, Lynne Fraser has taken on other commitments and will not be returning. The vacant position will be advertised.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission receive Lynne Fraser's letter of resignation. The motion carried unanimously.

- (f) Social Planning Advisory Committee. Commissioner Cowling reported on the meeting held since 2010-SEP-22. On 2010-OCT-05 the Committee met and awarded \$60,000 to applicants, ensuring it was equal for all.
- (g) Port Theatre. Monthly report for September, 2010.
- (h) Nanaimo Art Gallery. Monthly report for September, 2010.
- (i) Nanaimo District Museum. Monthly report for 2010-SEP-10 to 2010-OCT-06.

It was moved and seconded that the Advisory Body reports be received. The motion carried unanimously.

9. STAFF REPORTS (continued):

- (b) Bowen Road – Quarterway Bridge Project
- Bowen West Field Redevelopment -

Staff's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission support the closing of Bowen West Field during the construction period of the Bowen Road – Quarterway Bridge Project.

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

It was agreed that this matter should go forward as an Information Only Report to Council.

10. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (staff reports):

- (a) Senior Manager of Parks. Monthly report for September, 2010.

Gathering survey results from Neck Point Open House and will bring forward in November. Park has ongoing upgrading underway as part of the phased in improvements previous identified. There continue to be issues with graffiti.

- (b) Senior Manager of Recreation and Culture Services. Monthly report for September 2010.

Update on Beban Park – advised it is at 98% completion, some re-work underway on concrete in breezeway. Feedback has been great. On 2010-NOV-24, there will be an Open House “Rediscover Beban Park” before the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission meeting. Commission requested that staff determine if it would be possible to book the November meeting of Commission at Beban Park. Art Auction – attendance was low; however artist community interest has been increased, four pieces sold, two still to sell. Vandalism over the weekend affecting the pieces and Frank Ney Statue sword. Art Gallery will make \$1500, and City will get back approximately the same to reinvest in the rental of art.

16. QUESTION PERIOD: (No questions.)

17. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 5:59 p.m. that the meeting adjourn, with the next regular meetings as follows:

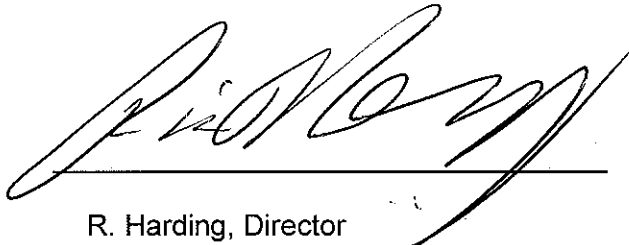
COMMISSION	Wednesday, 2010-NOV-24; 7:00 p.m. Beban Park Complex (if available)
Cultural Committee	Wednesday, 2010-NOV-03; 4:15 p.m., if required Bowen Park Complex Conference Room
Recreation Committee	Wednesday, 2010-NOV-10; 3:00 p.m., if required Bowen Park Complex Conference Room
Parks Committee	Thursday, 2010-NOV-04; 5:00 p.m., if required Bowen Park Complex Conference Room

The motion carried unanimously.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



D. Johnstone, Acting Chair
Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission



R. Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Culture