NOTES OF THE REGULAR RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM WEDNESDAY, 2009-SEP-09, COMMENCING AT 3:00 P.M.

- PRESENT: Commissioner Diana Johnstone, Chair Commissioner Shirley Lance Commissioner Dawn Burnett Commissioner Janet Cowling
- REGRETS: Commissioner Gisele Rudischer

Staff:

S. Samborski E. Williams Robin Tweed, Recording

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 3:12 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, 2009-MAY-20 at 4:00 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting notes of 2009-MAY-20 be adopted as circulated. *The motion carried unanimously.*

5. <u>DELEGATIONS:</u> (None.)

6. <u>CHAIR'S REPORT</u>:

Discussion was held regarding the meeting start time change. A formal motion was made for Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission approval.

It was moved and seconded that the Recreation Committee recommend that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission approve an amendment of the Recreation Committee start time from 4:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. for all future meetings to be held, as required. *The motion carried unanimously.*

7. <u>STAFF REPORTS:</u>

(a) Grant Allocation and Criteria Revisions

DISCUSSION:

Arts, Cultural and Festival Events Guidelines:

The Title of the Guidelines document should read "Arts, Cultural and Festival Events Grant", rather than "Arts and Cultural Events & Festivals Grant".

Under Eligibility Criteria, text should include "social and" in the "The event should demonstrate a good potential for an economic impact on Nanaimo." to read, "The event should demonstrate a good potential for a social and economic impact on Nanaimo.

Under Review Process, "The Recreation Committee" should read "The Cultural Committee".

<u>Staff Recommendations:</u> That the Recreation Committee recommend that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission approve that:

- (i) the Arts and Cultural Events grant program now include all community festival applications, and be renamed to the "Arts, Cultural and Festival Events Grant";
- (ii) the Tournament and Festival Grant only review Sport Tournament grant applications and be renamed to "Sport Tournament Grant";
- (iii) funds in the amount of 30% be transferred to the Arts, Cultural and Festival Events Grant from the Sport Tournament Grant to accommodate the increased demands on the Arts, Cultural and Festival Events Grant; and,
- *(iv)* the grant criteria be updated to reflect the revised grant allocations.

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

It was moved and seconded that the Recreation Committee recommend that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission request that the Cultural Committee review the revised Arts, Cultural and Festivals Event Grant Guidelines and Applications for Funding to ensure that the Festival funding falls into the appropriate categories and guidelines as determined by the Cultural Committee. *The motion carried unanimously.*

8. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (staff reports):

(a) <u>Fees and Charges Process</u> – verbal report for discussion

Staff brought forward for review and discussion the matter of the Fees and Charges document and process, which historically, has been reviewed and updated approximately every three years. Staff is working on the initial draft which they anticipate will be presented to the Recreation Committee in January or February for review and recommendations. The document timeline is May, 2010, for Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission, for presentation to Council in June, 2010, with the document being included in the new Leisure Guide in July, 2010.

9. <u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u> (Action) (None.)

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- 10. <u>NOTICE OF MOTION:</u> (None.)
- 11. <u>OTHER BUSINESS:</u> (None.)
- 12. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>: (None.)
- 13. <u>QUESTION PERIOD:</u>
 - (a) <u>Disc Golf Tournament</u> registration lower than hoped, but there were approximately one hundred participants. The British Columbia Representative was here for the Tournament. In B.C. Nanaimo and Kamloops are "neck and neck" for the best Disc Golf course in the Province. Chair Diana Johnstone wished to congratulate all staff for their organization and efforts towards making this Tournament success.
 - (b) <u>Provincial Budget / BCRPA</u> operating grant and activities communities grants were cut. This will not result in direct impact on department programs and services. Chair Diana Johnstone suggested that the Committee write a letter to the Provincial Government in support of the BCRPA, with resulting discussion being that it would be more appropriate that Mayor and Council consider sending a letter in support of the BCRPA.

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14. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 4:24 p.m. that the meeting adjourn, with the next Meeting of the Recreation Committee to be held, if required, Wednesday, 2009-OCT-14, commencing at 3:00 p.m., in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

The motion carried unanimously.

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Diana Johnstone, Chair Recreation Committee

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S. Samborski, Senior Manager Recreation and Culture Services Parks, Recreation and Culture

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