

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION
HELD IN THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM
ON WEDNESDAY, 2009-MAY-27, COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Commissioner L. McNabb, Chair

Members: Commissioner F. Pattje
Commissioner S. Lance
Commissioner G. Rudischer
Commissioner J. Cowling
Commissioner B. Sparkes

Regrets: Commissioner D. Johnstone
Commissioner L. Avis
Commissioner D. Burnett
Commissioner M. Young
Commissioner B. Dempsey
Commissioner B. Meunier

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

Regrets: S. Samborski

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- Correction to Agenda – Item 8.(d) – Grants Advisory Committee (Note: due to absence, Commissioner Burnett has submitted a written report with a synopsis of the Grants Advisory Committee meeting held 2009-MAY-13.)
- Delete Item 6.(a) – Delegations – Mr. Bill Merilees regarding 1996 Jingle Pot Road, Nanaimo, and 1780 Jingle Pot Road, Nanaimo. (Note: Mr. Merilees is unable to attend the 2009-MAY-27 meeting as scheduled and has requested that this item be added to the 2009-JUN-24 agenda.)
- Add Item 11.(e) – Correspondence (Information) - Minutes of the Nanaimo Harbour City Seniors, Annual General Meeting held 2009-MAY-20.
- Note – Item 17. – Adjournment – next meeting of the Cultural Committee to be held 2009-JUL-08 (note: meeting scheduled for 2009-JUN-03 cancelled.)

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- (a) Minutes of the Regular Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Meeting held Wednesday, 2009-APR-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.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

6. DELEGATIONS:

It was moved and seconded that the Delegation be permitted to address the Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

- (a) Mr. Ryan Hudson, 3777 Long Lake Terrace, Nanaimo, B.C., V9T 2V2, requesting that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission allocate funds to upgrade the Bowen Park Disc Golf Course in order to meet the criteria for the 2009 British Columbia Disc Golf Championship (to be held September 2009).

Mr. Hudson provided an overview of the current course and their request for funds to provide basic maintenance and to improve the course.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission allocate up to \$10,000 from the 2009 V.I.P capital budget to build 36 new tee pads and a new disc golf course map kiosk. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission direct staff to work with the Nanaimo Disc Golf Association on the proposed project. The motion carried unanimously.

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- (a) Council Update.

Council referred the question of zoning for Bowen Park to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission (PRCC).

Staff Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission refer the matter of the question of zoning for Bowen Park to Staff for review and reporting back to the Commission at their next regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, 2009-JUN-24.

Staff provided an overview of the Parks Zoning issues that have been before Council and have now passed third reading.

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

8. REPORTS OF ADVISORY BODIES:

- (a) Parks Committee. Commissioner Sparkes reported on the meeting held 2009-MAY-14.

Potential Dog Off-Leash Parks In Nanaimo

Parks Committee's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission proceed with a public review and input process to consider dog off-leash sites at various locations, including Beach Estates, Departure Bay.

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

- (b) Cultural Committee. Commissioner Pattje reported on the meeting held 2009-MAY-06, on behalf of the Chair, Eveline O'Rourke.

Musical & Dance Heritage of Vancouver Island & Heroes and Heroines Mosaic Murals - Mosaic Mural Proposal in the Gusola Block

Cultural Committee's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council support a single mosaic from the "Musical & Dance Heritage of Vancouver Island & Heroes and Heroines Mosaic Murals" in principal, with support by way of ongoing maintenance and provision of installation location, with location to be determined at a later date dependant on the subject matter, in lieu of cash funding being provided by the City of Nanaimo.

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

- (c) Recreation Committee. Commissioner Lance reported on the meeting held 2009-MAY-20, in the absence of the Chair, Commissioner Diana Johnstone.

Commissioner Diana Johnstone was nominated and appointed as Chair of the Recreation Committee.

2009 Tournament and Festival Fund Grants

Recreation Committee's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council approve the following 2009 Tournament and Festival Grant requests:

ORGANIZATION	2008 Approved	2009 Requested	2009 Recommended
Canadian Body Painting Festival Society	\$1,800	\$6,250	\$500
Coaltown Festival Society *	n/a	\$2,500	\$2,000
Nanaimo Blues Society	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$750
Nanaimo Canada Day Committee	n/a	\$2,000	\$1,500
Nanaimo Disc Golf *	n/a	\$2,000	\$2,000
Nanaimo Riptides Swim Team	\$1,200	\$1,500	\$1,500
Nanaimo Senior Men's Baseball Club *	n/a	\$1,893.75	\$1,000
Nanaimo Skating Club	n/a	\$2,500	\$1,500
Nanaimo White Rapids Swim Club (Invitational Meet)	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$750
Nanaimo White Rapids Swim Club (Regional Meet) *	n/a	\$1,500	\$1,000
Rockin' Rollers Power Soccer Club *	n/a	\$1,600	\$630
Vancouver Island Exhibition Association – Teen Skateboard Competition *	n/a	\$5,050	\$1,500
Vancouver Island Red Raiders Football Society	n/a	Not noted.	Denied.
Vancouver Island Region Swimming Association	n/a	\$3,500	Denied.
WPVL – Nanaimo Breakers *	\$900	\$3,000	\$1,500
Nanaimo Art Gallery Society – Festival of Banners	\$1,700	\$7,500	\$750
Nanaimo Child Development Centre Society	n/a	\$1,500	\$1,000
Nanaimo African Heritage Society	n/a	Not received.	Denied.
* new event			
TOTALS:		\$45,293.75	17,880.00

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

Further discussion of the 2009 Tournament and Festival Grants involved a reconsideration of the request from the Vancouver Island Region Swimming Association.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council approve, in addition to the previously listed 2009 Tournament and Festival Grant requests, an allocation in the amount of \$1,500 to the Vancouver Island Region Swimming Association. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Lance raised the issue of overlapping criteria for grants between the various committees and further discussion resulted in the following motion:

It was moved and seconded that Staff return to the Commission with a report regarding the funding criteria utilized by the various Committees in order to reduce or eliminate overlap. The motion carried unanimously.

- (d) Grants Advisory Committee. Commissioner Burnett absent; however, provided a brief, written report on the meeting held 2009-MAY-13.
- (e) Plan Nanaimo Advisory Committee. Commissioner Lance provided the monthly report for April, 2009.
- (f) Social Planning Advisory Committee. Commissioner Cowling reported on the meeting held 2009-MAY-05. Items of interest were: the chair of the committee is now Councillor Jim Kipp - the committee is unable to change the chair without an amendment to SPAC's terms of reference; he was absent and Zeni Maartman was the acting chair; the emerging issue of storage for fresh and frozen foods for distribution, i.e. a warehouse or facility, was discussed; and, the Committee supports the draft Municipal Support Policy for affordable housing.
- (g) Port Theatre. Monthly report for April, 2009.
- (h) Nanaimo Art Gallery. Monthly report for April, 2009.
- (i) Nanaimo District Museum. Monthly report for April, 2009.

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

9. STAFF REPORTS:

- (a) **Travel Assistance Application From the Nanaimo Minor Hockey Association – Bantam Clippers**

Staff's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council not approve the application for a Travel Assistance Grant for the Nanaimo Minor Hockey Association (N.M.H.A.) – Bantam Clippers in the amount of \$1,000.00.

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

(b) **Travel Assistance Application From the Wellington Secondary Band**

Staff's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council approve the application for a Travel Assistance Grant for the Wellington Secondary Band in the amount of \$2,000.00.

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

(c) **Bowen Park Disc Golf Course Improvements**

Staff's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission:

- 1) allocate up to \$10,000 from the 2009 V.I.P capital budget to build 36 new tee pads and a new disc golf course map kiosk; and,
- 2) direct staff to work with the Nanaimo Disc Golf Association on the proposed project.

Note: motions on this matter were made under Section 6.(a).

10. **INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (staff reports):**

- (a) Senior Manager of Parks. Monthly report for April, 2009. By 2009-JUN-04 Maffeo Sutton Park should be 75% open, and by 2009-JUN-19 will be fully open. Canada Day, 2009-JUL-01, will be the official opening. Totems in Bowen Park are now resting. Raines Cabin has been dismantled and has been moved to the Raines family site. Approximately \$2,000 in funding was provided by the City for this relocation. Deverill Water Park will be open 2009-JUN-15.
- (b) Senior Manager of Recreation and Culture Services. Monthly report for April, 2009.

It was moved and seconded that the Information Only Items be received. The motion carried unanimously.

11. **CORRESPONDENCE:** (Action Required.)

CORRESPONDENCE: (Information)

- (a) Card of thanks received 2009-APR-27 from Ms. Nancy O'Toole, President, Synchro BC on behalf of Synchro BC and the Nanaimo Diamonds for the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission's support with regard to the Western Canadian Synchro Championships, Nanaimo, BC 2009.

- (b) Minutes of the Nanaimo Harbour City Seniors, Board of Directors, meeting held 2009-MAY-01.
- (c) Letter dated 2009-MAY-01 from Ms. Lesley Coultish, Secretary, on behalf of the Nanaimo and District Equestrian Association offering their congratulations and support in the City of Nanaimo hosting the 2014 BC Summer Games.
- (d) E-mail dated 2009-MAY-14 received from the Vancouver Island Exhibition Association advising of the RCMP Musical Ride to be presented by the VIEX on Wednesday, 2009-AUG-12.
- (e) Minutes of the Nanaimo Harbour City Seniors, Annual General Meeting held 2009-MAY-20.

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

12. NOTICE OF MOTION:

13. CONSIDERATION OF OTHER BUSINESS:

14. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS:

15. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- (a) Beban Park Complex Feasibility Study Report – staff report.
- (b) E.J. Hughes Mural – Copyright & Image Production used on promotional material, and sold by the City of Nanaimo, with proceeds going to Art in Public Places. – Update from Staff - for next PRCC meeting with have the Agreement and letter from the estate for information and review.

16. QUESTION PERIOD:

- (a) “Robin’s Garden”, 1150 Milton Street, has a stand of trees that need to be addressed. On 2009-MAY-25, Council moved that a Development Variance Permit be issued. The recent development plans and approved development permit by Council has an excellent tree retention plan that preserves the most significant trees and vegetation on the property.

17. ADJOURNMENT:

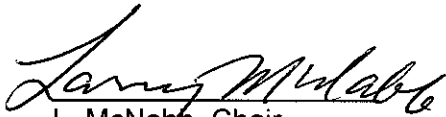
It was moved and seconded at 7:30 p.m. that the meeting adjourn, with the next Meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission to be held Wednesday, 2009-JUN-24, commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room; and,

With the next meeting of the Cultural Committee to be held Wednesday, 2009-JUL-08, commencing at 4:15 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room; and,

With the next meeting of the Recreation Committee to be held, if required, Wednesday, 2009-JUN-10, commencing at 4:00 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room; and,

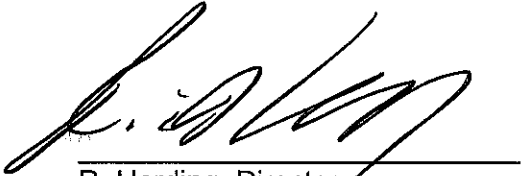
With the next meeting of the Parks Committee to be held, if required, Thursday, 2009-JUN-11, commencing at 5:00 p.m. in the Bowen Park Complex Conference Room.

The motion carried unanimously.



L. McNabb, Chair
Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission

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Parks, Recreation and Culture

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