NOTES OF THE REGULAR RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, OF THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX, ON WEDNESDAY, 2008-MAY-14, COMMENCING AT 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioner S. Lance, Chair

Members:

Commissioner D. Burnett Commissioner J. Cameron Commissioner P. Field

Absent: Commissioner L. Avis

Staff: S. Samborski E. Williams

1. <u>CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:</u>

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. <u>INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:</u>

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. <u>ADOPTION OF MEETING NOTES:</u>

(a) Meeting Notes of the Regular Recreation Committee Meeting held Wednesday, 2008-APR-09 commencing at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Bowen Park Complex.

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

5. DELEGATIONS:

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

(a) The Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission referred the suggestion by Commissioner Avis that an "Atlantis" theme be introduced at the Beban Park Pool, to increase usage by creating a sense of freshness to the facility, to the Recreation Committee for review and recommendation. Because Commissioner Avis was not in attendance this item was referred to the next meeting.

7. REPORTS OF ADVISORY BODIES:

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

Ms. Elizabeth Williams, Manager of Sports Tourism and Outdoor Events, informed the Recreation Committee that an additional \$8,000 was available for the Tournament and Festival Fund, resulting from dollars provided by Economic Development.

9. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS:

10. CORRESPONDENCE:

11. NOTICE OF MOTION:

12. OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Review of 2008 Tournament and Festival Grant Applications and Funding Recommendations.

The Committee members reviewed 11 submissions requesting funds from the Tournament and Festival Grant program. Members discussed each application individually and determined that, with the exception of the Nanaimo School Financial Awards Society and the Nanaimo Art Gallery – Festival of Banners, the remaining nine groups met the grant qualifications and application criteria.

1. Nanaimo School Financial Awards Society.

The Committee reviewed a request from the Nanaimo School Financial Awards Society for \$2,000 to assist with a work experience program to plant vegetation along the Millstone River. Committee members discussed this tournament and festival request and determined that the Society did not meet the grant criteria as the event is not open to the community or attracts a local or regional market.

<u>Recreation Committee's Recommendation:</u> That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council not approve the \$2,000 tournament and festival fund request from the Nanaimo School Financial Awards Society.

2. Nanaimo Art Gallery – Festival of Banners.

The Committee reviewed a request from the Nanaimo Art Gallery – Festival of Banners for \$4,758, to assist with costs associated with the development of street banners. Committee members discussed this tournament and festival request and determined that while the event was termed a festival, the activities did not align with the intent of the tournament and festival funding criteria and were a better fit with the cultural event funding criteria. However, based on higher funding levels, the committee moved to support the festival on a one-time basis with direction that staff let the group know that in future they should be applying for cultural event funding.

Recreation Committee's Recommendation: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council approve \$1,700 from the tournament and festival fund for the Nanaimo Art Gallery – Festival of Banners, on one-time basis, to offset costs associated with the development of street banners. (Note that this recommendation is included in the chart below).

<u>Recreation Committee's Recommendation:</u> That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend that Council approve the following 2008 Tournament and Festival Grant requests:

| | | 2007 Approved | 2008 Requested | 2008 Recommended |
|--------|---|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | | Approved | Requested | Necommended |
| (a) | CVI Botanical Garden Society | \$1,050 | \$1,500 | \$1,200 |
| (b) | Canadian Body Painting Championships | n/a | \$6,250 | \$1,800 |
| (c) | Nanaimo Art Gallery - Artsfest | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 |
| (d) | Nanaimo Art Gallery - Festival of Banners | n/a | \$4,758 | \$1,700 |
| (e) | Nanaimo Blues Festival | \$1,500 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 |
| (f) | Nanaimo Breakers | n/a | \$2,500 | \$900 |
| (g) | Nanaimo Ice 2008 - Minor Hockey | n/a | \$2,000 | \$1,400 |
| (h) | Nanaimo School Financial Awards Society | n/a | \$2,000 | 0 |
| (i) | Nanaimo Figure Skating Club | n/a | \$2,500 | \$2,500 |
| (j) | Vancouver Island Exhibition Association | \$1,200 | \$2,000 | \$1,700 |
| (k) | White Rapids Invitational Meet | \$1,000 | \$1,500 | \$1,500 |
| TOTAL: | | \$5,750 | \$27,508 | \$15,200 |

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

| 2008 Tournament and Festival Grant Funds Summ | ary |
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| Funds Carried Forward from 2007: Funds provided by Economic Development Budgeted Funds in 2008: Total Funds Available in 2008: | \$ 150 8,000 <u>20,000</u> 28,150 |
| Grants Approved November 2007 for January - May 2008: Grants Recommended May 2008: Total Funds Allocated: | 8,000 <u>15,200</u> 23,200 |
| Balance – Unused Funds: | <u>\$4,950</u> |

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

(a) "Atlantis" theme at Beban Park Pool.

14. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

It was moved and seconded at 5:15 p.m. that the meeting terminate, with the next Meeting of the Recreation Committee to be held on 2008-JUNE-11 commencing at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Bowen Park Complex. The motion carried unanimously.

S. Lance Chair Recreation Committee

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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R. Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Culture

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