

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
BOWEN COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM
500 BOWEN ROAD
WEDNESDAY, 2016-JAN-27, AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioner Ian Thorpe, Chair

Members: Commissioner Karen Alden
Commissioner Mercedes Beaudoin-Lobb
Commissioner Marsha Down
Commissioner Howard Houle
Commissioner Mike Horn
Commissioner Wendy Pratt
Commissioner Barry Sparkes
Commissioner Mark Swain (arrived @ 5:33)
Commissioner Maureen Young

Staff: R. Harding, Director, Parks, Recreation and Environment
T. Samra, Interim City Manager
M. Smith, Manager of Recreation Services
A. Groot, Manager of Facility Planning and Operations
A. Britton, Manager of Parks Operations
K. MacDonald, Parks and Open Space Planner
R. Tweed, Recording Secretary

REGRETS: Commissioner Alec McPherson
Commissioner Gordon Fuller

1. **CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:**

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. **INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:**

- Item 8.(a) - Staff Presentation – Energy Management – Scott Pamminer.

Replace with the following Staff Presentation:

Youth Programs and Events – Megan Lum & Ashley Rowe.

- Item 8.(f) - Beban Community Bike Park – Kirsty MacDonald

Add item 8.(f)(1.) Delegation – Dana Butcher – Providing an update on site clearing for Beban Dirt Jump Park.

Move Item 8.(f) - Report and Delegation forward on the agenda to immediately follow Item 8.(b) - becoming Item 8.(c).

8. **STAFF REPORTS:**

- (a) Staff Presentation – Youth Programs and Events – Megan Lum & Ashley Rowe.

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

- (b) Partners In Park – PIP Request – Cottle Creek Park – Kirsty MacDonald.

Delegation:

1. Cheryl Headey and Gillian Sutherland.

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

It was moved and seconded that the Parks and Recreation Commission allocate \$35,000 from the 2016 Partners in Parks (PIP) Program for Cottle Creek Neighbourhood Park improvements. The motion carried unanimously.

- (c) Beban Community Bike Park – Kirsty MacDonald.

Delegation:

1. Dana Butcher.

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

It was moved and seconded that the Parks and Recreation Commission:

1. support partnering with the Nanaimo Gyro Club to complete a Phase 1 design for a community bike park at Beban Park with a report back to the Commission following its completion (including a cost estimate for further design and construction); and,
2. approve the allocation of \$12,000.00 from the 2016 Partners in Parks (PIP) budget for the design and cost estimate phase of the community bike park.

The motion carried unanimously.

9. **DELEGATIONS:** (Not related to a Report to Commission)

- (a) Caitlin Johnston, Woodlands Environmental Club - Beaufort Park Food Forest Mapping and Community Collaboration Project.

Commissioner Young left the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

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

14. **BUSINESS ARISING:**

- (a) Caitlin Johnston, Woodlands Environmental Club - Beaufort Park Food Forest Mapping and Community Collaboration Project.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks and Recreation Commission request that staff meet with the delegation and return to Commission with a report on the feasibility of a Food Forest at Beaufort Park. The motion carried unanimously.

- (b) Karen Hlady – Spring/Summer Co-ed Hockey League for Nanaimo.

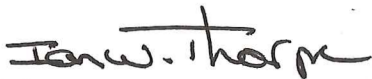
It was moved and seconded that the Parks and Recreation Commission request that staff return to Commission with a report on the bookings and usage actuals for 2015 and proposed usage for 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

15. **ADJOURNMENT:**

It was moved and seconded at 7:30 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED AS READ:

APPROVED FOR DISTRIBUTION:



Ian W. Thorpe, Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission



Richard Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Environment

CERTIFIED BY:



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City of Nanaimo