

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
BOWEN COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM
500 BOWEN ROAD
WEDNESDAY, 2015-SEP-30, AT 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioner Ian Thorpe, Chair

Members: Commissioner Karen Alden
Commissioner Mercedes Beaudoin-Lobb
Commissioner Marsha Down
Commissioner Mike Horn
Commissioner Alec McPherson
Commissioner Wendy Pratt
Commissioner Barry Sparkes
Commissioner Mark Swain (*arrived at 6:06 p.m.*)
Commissioner Maureen Young

Staff: R. Harding, Director, Parks, Recreation and Environment
M. Smith, Manager of Recreation Services
A. Britton, Manager of Parks Operations
R. Tweed, Recording Secretary

REGRETS: Commissioner Gordon Fuller
Commissioner Howard Houle

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- Added Item 8.(e) Buttertubs Marsh Management Plan Review
- Removed Item 14.(a) Delegation – Ian Kalina & Chris Beaton
- Added to Item 14.(b) Delegation – Daniel Appell – proposed survey form.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the regular Parks and Recreation Commission meetings held Wednesday, 2015-JUL-15, at 6:03 p.m., and Wednesday, 2015-JUL-22, at 6:02 p.m., in the Bowen Complex Conference Room, be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS: (None.)

6. CHAIR'S REPORT:

- (a) Appointment of Barry Sparkes as the Recreation Committee representative to the City of Nanaimo Grants Advisory Committee.
- (b) 2016 Key Date Calendar for Commission and Committees.

It was requested that the dates for the AVICC be added to the calendar.

It was moved and seconded that the 2016 Key Date Calendar for Commission and Committees be adopted as amended with the inclusion of the AVICC dates. The motion carried unanimously.

- (c) Introduction and welcome to new District of Lantzville representative Mark Swain.
- (d) The Commission wished Commissioner Mercedes Beaudoin-Lobb a "Happy Birthday" through song.

It was moved and seconded that the Chair's Report be received. The motion carried unanimously.

7. REPORTS OF ADVISORY BODIES: (None.)

8. STAFF REPORTS:

- (a) Food Truck Vendors - Tamera Rogers and Bruce Anderson, Planning & Design Section, Community Development Department, City of Nanaimo.

Commission requested that the recommendation be adopted and asked staff to propose an alternative downtown map, which is less restrictive of the boundary areas and shows additional location opportunities, be prepared to be presented with the original downtown map in their Report to Council.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks and Recreation Commission endorse the proposed food truck licensing process and recommend Council approval. The motion carried unanimously.

- (b) Staff Presentation - Explore Nanaimo with Team Horticulture – Michelle Wallace, Nacolle Ondra and Gail Pasaluko.

The Horticulture staff provided an in-depth and informative PowerPoint presentation and spoke to efforts of staff to reduce water consumption and yet continue to maintain interesting and beautiful plantings throughout the City.

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

Commissioners Down, Horn, and McPherson left the Conference Room at 7:45 p.m.

(c) Travel Assistance Grant – Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club – Mary Smith.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks and Recreation Commission recommend that Council approve the application for a Travel Assistance Grant to the Nanaimo Lawn Bowling Club in the amount of \$600.00 for six (6) athletes to attend the Blind Bowls Association of Canada National Championships, held in Calgary, Alberta. The motion carried unanimously.

(d) Travel Assistance Grant – Nanaimo Senior B Timberman Lacrosse Club – Mary Smith.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks and Recreation Commission recommend that Council approve the application for a Travel Assistance Grant to the Nanaimo Senior B Timberman Lacrosse Club in the amount of \$1,500.00 for fifteen (15) athletes to attend the 2015 Presidents Cup National Lacrosse Championship, being held in St. Catherines, Ontario. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Down and Horn returned to the Conference Room at 7:46 p.m.

Commissioner McPherson returned to the Conference Room at 7:47 p.m.

(e) Buttertubs Marsh Management Plan Review – Rob Lawrance.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive the report for information. The motion carried unanimously.

9. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS:

(a) 2016 Triathlon Event – Richard Harding (Verbal).

Commission was updated on the Triathlon Event scheduled for 2016-JUN-24 to 2016-JUN-26 at Westwood Lake.

(b) Nanaimo Community Gardens Society Greenhouse – Richard Harding (Verbal).

Commission was updated on the status of the Nanaimo Community Gardens Society Greenhouse project.

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

10. CORRESPONDENCE: (not related to a Report to Commission)

(a) Minutes of the Nanaimo Harbour City Seniors Board of Directors meetings, held 2015-SEP-04.

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

11. NOTICE OF MOTION: (None.)

12. OTHER BUSINESS: (None.)

13. DELEGATIONS (not related to a Report to Commission):

- (a) Ian Kalina & Chris Beaton – Community Facility at Beban – removed (*at the request of the presenters this was deferred to the 2015-OCT-28 PRC meeting*)
- (b) Daniel Appell – Park Planning and Development Process.

Mr. Appell advised the Commission that the park planning processes approved by Commission and Council are flawed (with Maffeo Sutton Park as an example) and requested that Commission stop the process and direct staff to work with him to modify the Maffeo Sutton Park Plan process with his role being as mentor and to oversee the Plan in order to steer it in a direction that he felt would be appropriate.

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

- (c) Jai Brookes – Dogzilla – New Contract – Maffeo Sutton Park.

Mr. Brookes provided a verbal presentation on the history of his provision of food service in Maffeo Sutton Park and wished to confirm to Commission his interest in continuing to provide food service at the Park.

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

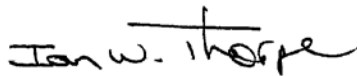
14. QUESTION PERIOD: (*No questions.*)

15. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS: (None.)

16. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 8:26 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED AS READ:



Ian W. Thorpe, Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission

APPROVED FOR DISTRIBUTION:



Richard Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Environment

CERTIFIED BY:

Corporate Officer
City of Nanaimo