# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2007

# ADDENDUM

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# COMMISSION, ADVISORY & SELECT COMMITTEE

# Electoral Area 'A' Recreation and Culture Commission,

2-4 Minutes of the Electoral Area 'A' Recreation and Culture Commission Inaugural meeting held November 7, 2007. (for information)

That the correspondence received from the South Wellington and Area Community Association requesting funds for cultural and recreational activities, be deferred until an Electoral Area 'A' Recreation and Culture Grants In Aid criteria has been established.

## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

# MINUTES OF THE ELECTORAL AREA 'A' RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION INAUGURAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2007 CEDAR HERITAGE CENTRE

#### Attendance:

J. Burnett W. Herrington D. Burnett

G. Fong

D. Hutt-Randen

S. Gourlay

K. Seggie

S. Wilson

#### Staff:

Tom Osborne, General Manager Recreation and Parks Dan Porteous, Manager Recreation Services Marilynn Newsted, Senior Secretary

#### CALL TO ORDER

Director J. Burnett called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. 1

> Director Burnett welcomed and introduced himself, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Porteous and Mrs. Newsted to the new Commission. Commission members introduced themselves to each other and to staff.

## ELECTION OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

2.1 Director J. Burnett called for nominations for the position of Chair.

> MOVED Commissioner Gourlay, SECONDED Commissioner Seggie, that Director J. Burnett be nominated for the position of Chair.

CARRIED

As no other nominations were received, Director J. Burnett was acclaimed Chair.

Director J. Burnett called for nominations for the position of Deputy Chair. 2.2

MOVED Commissioner Gourlay, SECONDED Commissioner D. Burnett, that Commissioner Wilson be nominated for the position of Deputy Chair.

CARRIED

As no other nominations were received, Director J. Burnett declared Commissioner Wilson as Deputy Chair by acclamation.

#### COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED Commissioner Seggie, SECONDED Commissioner Gourlay, that the correspondence from L. D. Catley, South Wellington and Area Community Association re: Funds for Cultural and Recreational Activities be received.

CARRIED

### NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Osborne reviewed the role of the commission for the members. He gave a short review of the referendum, the Electoral Area 'A' Recreation and Cultural Services Master Plan process, the establishing By-law and the Terms Of Reference for the EA 'A' Recreation and Culture Commission.

Mr. Osborne noted the Master Plan and the establishment of a Recreation and Cultural Advisory Commission for Electoral Area 'A' are in place. However, how local recreation services will be delivered still has to be determined. He stated there are four ways in which recreation services may be delivered:

- Use the services of an existing society if one is willing to do so
- Establish a new society if there is willingness in the Community to set up a new society
- Hire a Regional District of Nanaimo Recreation Coordinator to deliver the recreation services
- Hire a Regional District of Nanaimo Recreation Coordinator for a period of time until the Community is able to make a decision on which process would be used to deliver recreation services in Area 'A'

Mr. Osborne noted this will be the first order of business for the new Commission.

Mr. Osborne gave an overview of the Disclosure of Conflict information provided to the Commissioners. He stated the Recreation and Culture Commission does follow the protocol of the Board which is governed by the Local Government Act. Mr. Osborne stated should a Commissioner feel they are in a situation of conflict or perceived situation of conflict, they should excuse themselves from the meeting after stating the reason for their withdrawal.

The Commission agreed that at the next meeting a staff facilitated discussion will take place to look at service delivery options, including the potential use of a partnership approach with community schools.

The Commission also requested that criteria be set up for a Grant in Aid program to assist local organizations and recreation and culture agencies provide recreation and cultural services.

Commissioner Wilson informed the Commission that she would like to tour facilities in Electoral Area 'A' and for other Commissioners to contact her if they wish to come.

The Commission also requested that a photo be taken at the next meeting in January to assist in profiling the Commission in the community.

# BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Seggie left the meeting at 8:36 pm noting a conflict of interest as she is the Chair of the South Wellington and Area Community Association.

MOVED Commissioner Wilson, SECONDED Commissioner Herrington, that the correspondence received from the South Wellington and Area Community Association requesting funds for cultural and recreational activities, be deferred until an Electoral Area 'A' Recreation and Culture Grants In Aid criteria has been established.

**CARRIED** 

Commissioner Seggie returned to the meeting at 8:38 pm.

# ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Commissioner Seggie that the meeting be adjourned at 8:50pm.

CARRIED

## NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, January 9, 2008, 7:00pm Cedar Heritage Centre

Chair			