

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT 69 RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2014 AT 2:00PM AT OCEANSIDE PLACE POND

- Attendance:** Scott Tanner, Councillor, Town of Qualicum Beach
Gordon Wiebe, Electoral Area 'E'
Richard Leontowich, Electoral Area 'H'
Bill Veenhof, Director, RDN Board Appointee
David Edgeley, Electoral Area 'F'
- Staff:** Tom Osborne, General Manager of Recreation and Parks
Dean Banman, Manager of Recreation Services
Ann-Marie Harvey, Recording Secretary
- Regrets:** Joe Stanhope, Director, RDN Board, Electoral Area 'G'
Peter Morrison, Councillor, City of Parksville
Ross Milligan, Trustee, District #69 School Board
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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tanner called the meeting to order at 2:02pm

DELEGATION

S. Miller – RE: Admission Rates and RAC Schedule

Mr. Miller explained his concern for the admission rate increases at Ravensong Aquatic Centre and its effect on those on fixed income and families struggling to find affordable activities.

MINUTES

MOVED Commissioner Veenhof, SECONDED Commissioner Wiebe that the Minutes of the Regular District 69 Recreation Commission meeting June 19, 2014 be approved.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED Commissioner Veenhof, SECONDED Commissioner Wiebe that the following correspondence be received:

D. Banman, RDN, to City of Parksville, **RE: Permissive Tax Exemption Application**

T. Osborne, RDN to R. Koop, SD 69, **RE: Facility Use Partnership Opportunities with SD 69**

D. Banman, RDN to Employment and Social Development Canada, **RE: Support for PCC Funding for New Horizons for Seniors Program.**

S. Miller, Patron to D. Banman, RDN, **RE: Rate Increase at Ravensong Pool**

N. Douglas, Parksville Curling Club, to T. Osborne, RDN, **RE: Financial Report**

K. Cenerin, Patron to Recreation and Parks Department, **RE: Bigfoot Summer Feedback**

CARRIED

REPORTS

Monthly Update – Oceanside Place – June 2014

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Mr. Banman gave a summary of the Oceanside Place June, July-August report. He noted that the Parksville Curling Club assessment had been done and a staff report and the engineering report will be on the October Commission agenda.

Monthly Update – Ravensong Aquatic Centre – June –August 2014

Mr. Banman gave a summary of the Ravensong June – August report.

Monthly Update – Northern Recreation Program Services – July 2014

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Mr. Banman gave a summary of Northern Recreation Program Services reports. He noted that staff will present a review of the summer programs at the October Commission meeting.

Monthly Update of Community and Regional Parks and Trails Projects (Handout)

Mr. Osborne gave a summary of the Community and Regional Parks and Trails projects for District 69 area.

MOVED Commissioner Veenhof, SECONDED Commissioner Edgeley that the Monthly Update reports be received.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

Consider reducing or rolling back the special rate fees.

MOVED Commissioner Veenhof SECONDED Commissioner Edgeley that S. Miller's correspondence is received for information and his concerns are considered at the next Fees & Charges Sub-committee meeting and review.

CARRIED

COMMISSIONER ROUND TABLE

Commissioner Veenhof offered to include department program information in the regular email he sends out to residents of Electoral Area 'H'.

Staff will add all commission members to the distribution list for programs and events. Commission members were requested to let staff know at any time if they wish to be removed from the distribution list.

Commissioner Leontowich John Sanders approached the Lions club about starting up a slow-pitch club and requested that 5 mounds of dirt to be removed and will approach people in the club to do that. He is going to check into recreation grants as well.

Commissioner Edgeley asked about a request from Bob Herbison for more road side parking where the Errington Farmers Market is located at the community park. Mr. Osborne noted that it would be a MoTI item but would check with Jonathan Lobb and Wendy Marshall for details.

Commissioner Tanner commented on the 100 years celebration of the Qualicum Train Station. It was a great celebration and gathering spot.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Commissioner Leontowich that the meeting be adjourned at 3:20 pm.

CARRIED

Chair