REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2008

ADDENDUM

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COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Gisele Rudischer & Shelia Malcolmson, Islands Trust, re Letter of Support Action for Water.

COMMISSIONS

District 69 Recreation Commission.

4-8 Minutes of the District 69 Recreation Commission meeting held October 23, 2008. (for information)

District 69 Youth and Community Recreation Grants. (Parksville, Qualicum Beach, Electoral Areas 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H' – Weighted Vote)

1. That the Commission endorses the following Youth Grants:

Community Group

Amount Recommended

Ballenas Secondary School/Associated Family	\$ 2,000
& Community (Hornby Island trip)	
District 69 Family Resource Association (youth outreach activities)	\$ 1,000
Kwalikum Secondary School (cross country team uniforms)	\$ 400
Oceanside Baseball (power for batting cage)	\$ 2,000
Oceanside Community Arts Council (Youth Summer Theatre)	\$ 700
Oceanside Community Arts Council (Rough Diamonds Project)	\$ 1,500
Parksville Qualicum Foundation (Youth Action Committee)	\$ 2,500

2. That the Commission endorses the following Community Grants:

Community Group

Amount Recommended

District 69 Family Resource Association	\$ 1,500
(child development play therapy equipment)	
District 69 Minor Softball(equipment)	\$ 2,500
Echo Players Theatre (equipment & fittings)	\$ 2,000
Oceanside Track & Field Club (shot put circle)	\$ 1,023

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Parksville Curling Club	
(2009 Scotties BC Women's Curling Championship Sponsorship)	\$ 2,500
Parksville Lawn Bowling Club (landscaping)	\$ 2,000
Parksville Panters Hockey (socks)	\$ 550
Parksville Pirates (70yr+ softball team uniforms & equipment)	\$ 2,000
Ravensong Aquatic Club (pool rental)	\$ 1,800



Gisele Rudischer and Sheila Malcolmson Gabriola Island Local Trustees Islands Trust 700 North Road Gabriola Island, BC VOR 1X3

October 23, 2008

Dear Chairperson Stanhope: Regional District of Nanaimo

RE: Letter of Support - Action for Water

Thank you for your leadership on the Action for Water initiative. The Gabriola Local Trust Committee recognizes the importance of this new program and understands that Electoral Area residents will be asked to support the establishment of a new service on November 15th.

The Action for Water program includes a number of activities designed to manage and protect our water resources. As a community that is reliant on our watersheds, we understand and support the Regional District of Nanaimo in its goal of establishing this electoral area service. The program's goals align with many of the goals and objectives of the Islands Trust Policy Statement, and the Official Community Plans adopted for Gabriola, Mudge, and DeCourcey Islands respectively (excerpts attached).

Watershed and land use planning options that arise from *Action for Water* would be up to the Local Trust Committee to consider implementing. However, this approach would allow the Local Trust Committee to focus its planning resources on other island issues while the RDN coordinates region-wide *Action for Water* activities. There are a variety of water issues in the Gabriola Local Trust Area that could be addressed in a cost-effective manner under *Action for Water* - for example, education and incentives for water conservation, and programs to identify failing septage systems and promote best management practices for maintaining these systems.

Our Committee supports the RDN's efforts to implement the Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Action Plan through the establishment of this function, and we are grateful for your invitation to participate in its design. We congratulate you on the development of this important program and we look forward to working with you on future opportunities for partnership on watershed protection.

Sincerely,

Gisele Rudischer and Sheila Malcolmson Local Trustees, Gabriola Local Trust Committee

cc: RDN Area B Director Berni Sperling

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT 69 RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2008 AT OCEANSIDE PLACE 2:00PM

Attendance:	Frank Van Eynde, Chair Dave Bartram, Director, RDN Board Charles Robinson, Councilor, City of Parksville Jack Wilson, Councilor, Town of Qualicum Beach Eve Flynn, Trustee, School District #69 Jennifer O'Farrell, Electoral Area G Reg Nosworthy, Electoral Are 'F'
Staff:	Tom Osborne, General Manager Recreation and Parks Dan Porteous, Manager of Recreation Services Marilynn Newsted, Recording Secretary
Regrets:	Patty Biro, Electoral Area 'H'

CALL TO ORDER

1 Chair Van Eynde called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

MINUTES

3.1 MOVED Commissioner Nosworthy, SECONDED Commissioner Bartram, that the Minutes of the District 69 Recreation Commission Meeting held September 18, 2008, be approved.

CARRIED

3.2 Commissioner Nosworthy noted recommendation three of the October 7, 2008, District 69 Recreation Commission Grants Committee Minutes should read "*Recreation grants must be used* by the applicant for the sole purpose by the applicant as described in the grant application."

MOVED Commissioner Bartram, SECONDED Commissioner Wilson, that the Minutes of the District 69 Recreation Commission Grants Committee Meeting held October 7, 2008, be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE

- 5 MOVED Commissioner O'Farrell, SECONDED Commissioner Wilson, that the following Correspondence be received:
 - D. Porteous to San Pariel Owner's, Resident's and Ratepayer's Association, Re: 2004 District 69 Recreation Grant
 - P. Biro, District 69 Recreation Commissioner, Re: District 69 Track and Field Study
 - T. Osborne to David Bartram, Re: RDN News Release Track and Field Open House

• D. Davenport and Liz Campbell, Building Learning Together, Re: Thank you Words On Wheels Bus Grant

CARRIED

FUNCTION REPORTS

6.1 **Recreation Services**

Mr. Porteous highlighted the following items:

- Oceanside Place Programmer Val McNutt has introduced healthier options, veggie sticks and birthday cakes as a parent option only, to the Birthday Party packages. The change has not affected the number of parties being booked in the least, in fact the bookings have increased for the 2009 season.
- The attendance has increased for the Adult Scrub Hockey sessions and by senior's during the Adult Skating sessions.
- Planning for the U17 World Hockey event continues.
- The Kwalikum Secondary High School Swim Club have again started training sessions at the pool.
- A swim challenge around the Bahaman Island started September 22 at the aquatic centre.
- John Marcellus, in his new role of Chief Operator of Facilities is orienting himself to Ravensong Aquatic Centre
- The EA 'H' Recreation Programmer has become very involved in the Lighthouse Community as shown by her efforts assisting with the Poker Path Run Fundraiser for the Lighthouse Recreation Commission in September
- Chrissie Finnie and Colleen Douglas will return from their maternity leaves in early November and December respectively.

Mr. Osborne spoke about the critical incident which took place at Ravensong Aquatic Centre on the evening of October 1, noting the little girl has recovered completely and has returned home to her family. As follow-up to the incident a complete facility audit of the Aquatic Centre is in progress.

Commissioner O'Farrell requested staff confirm pediatric first aid masks and defribulator pads are available for staff at both facilities.

MOVED Commissioner Bartram, SECONDED Commissioner O'Farrell, that the Recreation Services Function Report be received.

CARRIED

6.2 **REGIONAL Parks and Trail and Community Parks (EA 'E' - 'H')**

Mr. Osborne highlighted the following items:

- Work continues on the Little Qualicum River Estuary Conservation Area Management Plan and the 99 year lease with Ducks Unlimited.
- The Englishman River Regional Park Management Plan is in the final stages and should be ready for review in November.
- Phase One of the Community Tourism Program has been completed with the completion of the new Regional Parks and Trails Guides, the update to the website and the installation of kiosks in the regional significant parks and also

park entrance and directional signs. Phase Two of the project will be the E & N Trail – Rail by Trail Feasibility Study.

MOVED Commissioner Wilson, SECONDED Commissioner O'Farrell, that the Regional Parks and Trail and Community Parks (EA 'E' – 'H') Function Report, be received.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

8 P. Biro, District 69 Recreation Commissioner, Re: District 69 Track and Field Study

Mr. Osborne and Mr. Porteous reviewed the feasibility study process for the Commission, noting all comments and feedback from the Community and the Commission will be taken into account by the consultant prior to the final document. The final report will be presented to the Commission for their review and recommendation on how the Department will proceed.

NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Grant Committee Recommendations

MOVED Commissioner Flynn, SECONDED Commissioner Bartram, that the Commission endorses the following Youth Grants:

Community Group	
Ballenas Secondary School/Associated Family and Community Social Services-Hornby Island trip	\$2,000
District 69 Family Resource Assn- Youth Outreach activities	\$1,000
Kwalikum Secondary School- cross country team uniforms	\$400
Oceanside Baseball- power for batting cage	\$2,000
Oceanside Community Arts Council- Youth Summer Theatre	\$700
Oceanside Community Arts Council- Rough Diamonds Project	\$1,500
Parksville Qualicum Foundation- Youth Action Committee	\$2,500
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MOVED Commissioner Nosworthy, SECONDED Commissioner Bartram, that the Commission endorses the following Community Grants:

Community Group	
District 69 Family Resource Assn- Child Development play therapy equipment	\$1,500
District 69 Minor Softball- equipment	\$2,500
Echo Players Theatre- equipment and fittings	\$2,000
Oceanside Track and Field Club- shot put circle	\$1,023

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Parksville Curling Club- 2009 Scotties BC Women's Curling Championship sponsorship	\$2,500
Parksville Lawn Bowling Club- landscaping	\$2,000
Parksville Panters Hockey- socks	\$550
Parksville Pirates- new 70yr+ softball team uniforms and equipment	\$2,000
Ravensong Aquatic Club- pool rental	\$1,800
	CARRIED

MOVED Commissioner Bartram, SECONDED Commissioner Wilson, that the following funding criterion be approved for the District 69 Recreation Grant Program: Recreation Grants must be used by the applicant for the sole purpose as described in the grant application. Projects must be completed in a timely manner or the funds shall be returned to the Regional District of Nanaimo.

CARRIED

COMMISSIONER ROUNDTABLE

11 Commissioner Flynn reported October is Safe School Month. Schools will be holding events and activities with a code of conduct or safe school theme.

Commissioner Flynn also reported the School District is applying for an \$8,000 Community Connections Grant to be used for skating lessons for students.

Commissioner Nosworthy reported thirty-nine businesses participated in the latest Business Network Meeting in Area 'F'. Plans are also being made for a Career Response Centre.

Commissioner Nosworthy noted the following events happening in Area 'F'

- Amazing Arrowsmith Race in the planning stage at the moment.
- Share The Health November 13
- Dance Fund Raiser October 29 for the Community Activities and Disaster Centre
- Halloween Haunted House and All Ages Dance and Party presented by Youth In Action
 and ACES
- Halloween Candy and Cake Walk and Fireworks

Commissioner Wilson reported the new off-leash dog park is now open in Qualicum Beach Community Park.

Commissioner Van Eynde reported the EA 'H' Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee had received a funding request from the Nanoose Bay Elementary School for playground equipment and the installation of the same. Commissioner Van Eynde noted the Committee has requested the playground equipment and installation be considered for the 2009 Area E Community Parks budget.

Notice of Motion

MOVED Commissioner Nosworthy, SECONDED Commissioner Flynn, that a notice of motion be made to discuss increasing the 2009 Youth and Community Grants budget at the next Commission meeting to be held.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

12 MOVED Commissioner Bartram, that the meeting be adjourned at 3:05pm.

Frank Van Eynde, Chair