

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

**MINUTES OF THE
DISTRICT 69 RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013 AT 2:00pm
AT DEEP BAY SHELLFISH RESEARCH STATION**

Attendance: Reg Nosworthy, Chair, Electoral Area 'F'
Scott Tanner, Councillor, Town of Qualicum Beach
Ross Milligan, Trustee, District #69 School Board
Bill Veenhof, Director, RDN Board Appointee
Gordon Wiebe, Electoral Area 'E'
Richard Leontowich, Electoral Area 'H'
Joe Stanhope, Director, RDN Board, Electoral Area 'G'
Peter Morrison, Councillor, City of Parksville

Staff: Tom Osborne, General Manager of Recreation and Parks
Dean Banman, Manager of Recreation Services
Mike Chestnut, Superintendent of Aquatic Services
John Marcellus, Superintendent of Arena Services
Sandra Pearson, Superintendent of Recreation Program Services
Ann-Marie Harvey, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nosworthy called the meeting to order at 2:06pm.

DELEGATIONS

L. Donaldson RE: RAC Needs Assessment Report

Joan Neil spoke for the group delegation requesting the Commission support the request for additional program space and time at the facility as per the findings in the 2012 Assessment Survey, encouraged the need to expand the facility, and spoke in favour of having the facility open on Family Day.

MOVED Commissioner Stanhope, SECONDED Commissioner Veenhof that the delegation be received.

CARRIED

MINUTES

MOVED Commissioner Stanhope, SECONDED Commissioner Morrison that the Minutes of the Regular District 69 Recreation Commission meeting January 17, 2013 be received.

CARRIED

MOVED Commissioner Morrison, SECONDED Commissioner Veenhof that Minutes of the D69 Recreation Grant Sub-Committee Meeting held February 15, 2013 be received.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

MOVED Commissioner Veenhof, SECONDED Commissioner Morrison to approve the following recommendations:

1. That the following District 69 Recreation Youth Grants be approved:

<u>Community Group</u>	<u>Approved in 2012</u>	<u>Current Request 2013</u>	<u>2013 Recommended</u>
893 Beaufort Squadron Air Cadets - program expenses	<u>1,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
Arrowsmith Community Enhancement Society- youth programs	<u>4,384</u>	<u>990</u>	<u>990</u>
Ballenas Secondary School – Dry Grad	<u>0</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>1,250</u>
District 69 Minor Softball- equipment and uniforms	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>1,250</u>
Kwalikum Secondary School- Dry Grad	<u>0</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,250</u>
Oceanside Baseball Association - equipment	1,500	1,859	1,859
Oceanside Community Arts Council- equipment and software	1,950	2,500	1,500
Oceanside Track and Field Club- reconditioning cinder and club equipment	0	3,851	3,851
Parksville Curling Club- junior program	0	2,500	1,275
Total			14,725

2. That the following District 69 Recreation Community Grants be approved:

<u>Community Group</u>	<u>Approved in 2012</u>	<u>Current Request 2013</u>	<u>2013 Recommended</u>
Town of Qualicum Beach- Beach Day sound rental, first aid, displays and supplies	1,000	1,500	1,500
Errington Coop Preschool – supplies and equipment	1,200	905	905
Errington Elementary School- PAC- sandbox	0	1,265	1,265
Errington Therapeutic Riding Association - program expenses horses and arena	1,100	2,500	1,100
French Creek Community School PAC- lacrosse program	0	2,500	1,250
Lighthouse Recreation Commission- program expenses	2,700	4,150	3,000
North Island Wildlife Recovery Association- Wildlife Family Day	0	2,500	450
Parksville Adult Badminton – facility rental and insurance	2,500	456	456
Vancouver Island Opera - Recital Series- facility rental and advertising	1,210	650	650
Total			10,576

3. That the following District 69 Recreation Grant funding request not be considered :

Community Group	Current Request 2013
Nanaimo Kennel Club- annual show	2,500
Parksville Curling Club- stick league facility rental and equipment	2,962
Parksville Qualicum Beach Tourism Association- Canada/Russia Goodwill Hockey Tour	2,500
Qualicum Beach Lawn Bowling Club - maintenance golf cart	2,738

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

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

- 1. RPA Symposium Brochure** **BC**
- 2. D Incident** **AE**
- 3. Parsons, BC Senior Games Society to J. Stanhope, RDN Chair, RE: Invitation to Host the BC Senior Games** **J.**
- 4. R. Doetzel, City of Port Alberni, RE: 2013 Goodwill Hockey Tour**

CARRIED

REPORTS

Monthly Update – Oceanside Place – January 2013

Mr. Marcellus updated the Commission with a summary of the Oceanside Place January report

Monthly Update – Ravensong Aquatic Centre – January 2013

Mr. Chestnut updated the Commission with a summary of the Ravensong January report

Monthly Update – Northern Recreation Program Services – January 2013

Ms. Pearson updated the Commission with a summary of the Northern Recreation Program Services - January report

Monthly Update of Community and Regional Parks and Trails Projects January 2013.

Mr. Osborne updated the Commission with a summary of the Community and Regional Parks and Trails Projects - January report

MOVED Commissioner Stanhope, SECONDED Commissioner Morrison that the functions reports be received.

CARRIED

Ravensong Aquatic Centre 2012 Needs Assessment

Mr. Banman provided a summary review of the report of the 2012 Needs Assessment.

The Commission requested that any proposed recommendations to change the pool's schedule to accommodate the needs of the patrons, first be brought to the Commission for consideration. Mr. Chestnut noted any changes would be brought to the Commission at the April or May meeting, prior to the Fall 2013/ Winter 2014 Active Living Guide going to print.

MOVED Commissioner Morrison, SECONDED Commissioner Leontowich

- 1) That staff be directed to implement changes to the Ravensong Aquatic Centre schedule and to reallocate program space, where possible, to meet the needs identified through the 2012 Ravensong Aquatic Centre Assessment Survey.
- 2) That staff be directed to meet with Hughes Condon Marler Architects (HCMA) and obtain a quote for the firm's services to determine the project and operational cost of the work outlined in Appendix II for the years 2015 -2020 and in preparation for the 2014 Annual Budget and Five Year Financial Plan discussion.

CARRIED

District 69 Arena Lease Agreement - Parkville Curling Club

Mr. Banman gave a summary and background of the lease agreement with the Parkville Curling club.

MOVED Commissioner Stanhope, SECONDED Commissioner Morrison that the Regional District of Nanaimo approve the Sublease with the Parkville Curling Club Society attached as Appendix I for the use of the District 69 Arena for the term of April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2018.

CARRIED

MOVED Commissioner Stanhope, SECONDED Commissioner Veenhof that the Reports be received.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS

BCRPA Symposium - Commissioners Veenhof, Wiebe and Milligan voiced an interest in attending the 2013 BCRPA Symposium in Whistler. Each will check their schedule and contact staff. Two D69 Commissioners will attend.

NEW BUSINESS

Ballenas School Track Resurfacing

The Commission discussed further providing funding to the Oceanside Track and Field Club for reconditioning the cinder on the Ballenas Secondary School track as an immediate improvement.

It was also noted that meetings with the City of Parkville, Town of Qualicum Beach, School District

69 and stake holder groups will be taking place to discuss further short and long term plans for a track and field facility and the City of Parksville's request to review the possible implementation of a field user fee.

Statutory Holiday Closures at Ravensong Aquatic Centre and Oceanside Place

Mr. Osborne gave a summary and history on the service reductions done at Oceanside Place and Ravensong Aquatic Centre which resulted financial cuts and closing of the two facilities on the majority of statutory holidays for the past 10 years. It was also noted that the City of Nanaimo received \$8,000 in Provincial Funding which allowed them to provide services at the Nanaimo Aquatic Centre and the Nanaimo Ice Centre for free of charge on Family Day. This funding was not made available to other communities in the Regional District.

MOVED Commissioner Stanhope, SECONDED Commissioner Veenhof that staff prepare a report on the cost implications of opening Ravensong Aquatic Centre and Oceanside Place on Family Day and to review options to offset any increased costs including sourcing grants or sponsorships, limiting facility operational hours and adjusting user fees.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Commissioner Stanhope to adjourn the meeting at 3:23pm.

CARRIED