

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO**

**MINUTES OF THE EAST WELLINGTON AND PLEASANT VALLEY  
PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MONDAY, MAY 29, 2017**

**6:00 P.M.**

**EAST WELLINGTON FIRE HALL, 3269 JINGLE POT ROAD**

**Attendance:** Maureen Young, Director RDN Board, Chair  
Bernice Lind  
Rick Heikkila  
Judith Wilson  
Bruce Erickson

**Staff:** Kelsey Cramer, Parks Planner

**Others:** Charles Pinker, Alternate Director, RDN

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Young called meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANNOUMOUSLY

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the East Wellington and Pleasant Valley Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee held January 30, 2017 be adopted, with the correction of the spelling of Weigles Road on page 3.

CARRIED UNANNOUMOUSLY

**DELEGATIONS**

It was moved and seconded that the late delegation be received.

CARRIED UNANNOUMOUSLY

**Morgan Boghean - Nanaimo Disc Golf Club**

Morgan presented a proposal about the club having interest in developing another disc golf course, in addition to the one existing at the City's Bowen Park, and was looking for ideas about land use for this new course. The club envisions a facility for events, including space for parking, toilets and course space. They have baskets and have done fundraising and are looking for a location for this facility.

## **REPORTS**

### **Parks Quarterly Update Report - January - March 2017**

K. Cramer provided a brief update on the running event at Mount Benson Regional Park and the proposed feasibility and conceptual design work for a crossing and descent in Benson Creek Falls Regional Park.

Footprints Security will report on Creekside Place parking compliance over long-weekends in the summer of 2017.

Strain Landscapes has been retained as the Maintenance Contractor. Regarding the overgrown gravel trail at Meadow Community Park, the intent was that it be accessible and that it should now be mowed to maintain it. Roughing it up to attempt to deal with the vegetation could make it inaccessible if the gravel is loosened.

It was moved and seconded that the Parks Quarterly Update Report Jan- Mar 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS**

Many ideas were given to Morgan from POSAC members, including approaching Parks and Recreation at City of Nanaimo and also the RDN's Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee, if a Regional Park site is of interest.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Five-Year Plan (2018-2022)**

Discussed planning sheet for 5 year project planning 2018-2022. Anders and Dorrit remains priority for 2018. The Committee requested that RDN staff email Anders-Dorrit community park plans on file to date a month in advance of the October POSAC meeting. The Committee discussed the need for public review prior to finalizing the plans for the park, as well as clearly indicating that dogs must be under control.

It was moved and seconded that the Five-Year worksheet be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

K. Cramer asked the Committee about their interest in using the fireplace stove from Anders-Dorrit (house) in the Community Park, or options for what to do with this piece. The POSAC feels the wood stove must be protected from elements and should not be used in the park redesign. There was discussion about preserving the stove as a community history piece.

It was moved and seconded that RDN staff send a letter to the Chairman of the Mountain Fire Protection District Board of Trustees to request the possibility of the fireplace stove being stored in perpetuity at East Wellington Fire Hall as community museum piece.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **ROUND TABLE**

Charles Pinker advised that we will continue to have use Fire Hall for POSAC meetings.

East Wellington Fire Department may come forward to ask RDN to store underground water storage tank in the Creekside Place parking lot.

Discussed community parks cash in lieu of park land provision and that these funds can only be used for acquisitions.

A special "thank you" to Judith from Chair Maureen and committee members for Judith's years of helping and contributions to East Wellington and Pleasant Valley POSAC.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Chairperson