

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Peninsula Recreation Commission
Held Thursday, November 25, 2021, at Greenglade Community Centre
Room 6, 2151 Lannon Way, Sidney, BC**

Present in Room 6:

Commissioners: T. Daly (Chair), H. Gartshore (Vice-Chair), K. Frost, R. Imrie,
C. Jensen, C. McNeil-Smith, G. Orr, C. Rintoul, R. Windsor

Staff: M. Alsdorf, Manager, Program Services; L. Brewster, Senior Manager;
M. Curtis, Manager, Facilities and Operations; K. Say, Community
Recreation Coordinator; A. Sharp, Manager, Administrative Services

Recorder: A. Bowker

Present Electronically:

Commissioners: G. Newton

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Commissioner Windsor provided a territorial acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Commissioner Orr, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Imrie,
That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

MOVED by Commissioner Imrie, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Rintoul,
That the minutes of the October 28, 2021 meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

Chair Daly noted this was his last meeting as Chair and as a member of the Commission and said it has been disappointing that COVID interrupted our delivery of services over the last few years, but staff did a tremendous job adapting. He has been on the Commission as the Central Saanich representative for the last six years and a Commission member for about 25 years, and has immensely enjoyed working with staff and Commissioners over the years.

Chair Daly thanked Lorraine Brewster and senior staff for their support and the exemplary work they do for Panorama. He asked senior staff to take that message back to all staff with his sincere thanks. He also thanked all the Commission members he has worked with over the years and remarked that the Recreation Commission is a perfect example of why the peninsula works. As well, he thanked the Central Saanich Council for their trust in appointing him as their representative for three terms.

Commissioner Windsor commented, as mayor of the municipality that has had Chair Daly as their appointed representative for the past six years, that someone with 25 years experience was the right person to lead us through the challenges of COVID. The work Chair Daly did with staff and the rest of the Commission should not go without acknowledgement. His commitment and dedication over the years has never wavered and a legacy like that doesn't come around very often.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were none

6. Commission Business

6.1 Enabling Accessibility Fund Report – Small Projects Component

K. Say gave an overview of the report. The following topics were discussed:

- Project is fully funded through the grant
- Other priorities to address in the future based on the Rick Hanson Foundation score card are accessibility for spectators in the arena and wheelchair accessible parking

MOVED by Commissioner McNeil-Smith, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Frost,
That the Peninsula Recreation Commission receive this report for information.

CARRIED

6.2 Teen Programs and Services Report

M. Alsdorf gave an overview of the report. With the high numbers attending on Friday evenings, there are some concerns about the health and safety aspect re lobby capacity. Entry to the arena lobby will be limited to just those who are participating in activities.

The following topics were discussed:

- Contingency plans and staffing will be in place to handle extra teens showing up and will get bylaw support to do mask reminders
- Not enough staff to be able to reopen boys and girls club in Central Saanich yet but it is part of ongoing recruitment

MOVED by Commissioner Rintoul, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Orr,
That the Peninsula Recreation Commission receive this report for information.

CARRIED

6.3 Budget Update on Year End Projections – Verbal Report

A. Sharp provided an update on budget projections.

- Overall performance continues to be better than expected
- Admissions are gradually increasing and now are close to 70% of 2019 numbers
- Direct revenues are \$525,000 over budget with a large part of that coming from admissions and pass sales
- Programs area also doing well and is \$200,000 over budget
- Surplus of \$350,000-450,000 projected based on what we know today

MOVED by Commissioner McNeil-Smith, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gartshore,
That the Peninsula Recreation Commission receive this report for information.

CARRIED

6.4 Programs and Services COVID-19 Update – Verbal Report

M. Alsdorf provided an update re COVID-19.

- Some of the better-than-expected budget news is because we didn't have any additions to the health order that some other regions did around fitness and weights programs
- The COVID order was updated on October 25 as follows: vaccination requirement added for anyone working to provide programs/sports for children or youth, and for any adults participating in youth programs; pool continues to be exempt for swimming and other activities in the pool; arena sessions were removed from the exclusion of the orders for anyone over age 12; spectators required to show proof of vaccination
- Additional staff brought in on Saturday and Sunday for Everyone Welcome skate to check proof of vaccination

- Pre-school start-up program this fall fully subscribed. Received Ministry funds of \$100/family to reduce cost
- Returning to some special holiday events with Winter Wonderland skates and gingerbread house contest in lobby
- January to March programs available for online viewing now with registration starting next week
- Looking to fill events position early in new year

The following topics were discussed:

- Difference in vaccination requirements between weight room and pool seemingly due to chlorine in pool along with large spaces and ventilation systems
- Difficult for staff to manage when vaccination requirements not consistent throughout facility and they have done a tremendous job
- Code of conduct in place and rudeness to staff not tolerated
- All rental user groups are responsible for their own vaccination monitoring

MOVED by Commissioner Imrie, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Orr,
That the Peninsula Recreation Commission receive this report for information.

CARRIED

6.5 Jumpstart Inclusive Multisport Court Update - Verbal

M. Curtis provided an update on the Jumpstart Multisport Court.

- Have experienced more delays on Canadian Tire Jumpstart side of things, but have now been advised that pouring for footings will be on December 3
- Cautiously optimistic paving will be done before Christmas, with the playground reopening around the new year and the court four weeks after that

The following topics were discussed:

- Actual completion should be approximately 4-5 weeks after asphalt is laid
- No implications from the recent rain other than a couple of minor roof leaks

MOVED by Commissioner Windsor, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Orr,
That Chair Daly be invited to be part of the official opening of the Jumpstart Multisport Court.

CARRIED

6.6 December Commission Meeting - Verbal

L. Brewster advised that the next Commission meeting is scheduled for December 9, and it is being brought forward to see if the Commission wants to meet. She noted that the strategic workshop will be held on December 2. Commissioners discussed whether the December 9 meeting was needed.

MOVED by Commissioner Windsor, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Rintoul,
That the December 9 meeting of the Peninsula Recreation Commission be cancelled.

CARRIED

7. New Business

No new business

8. Adjournment

MOVED by Commissioner McNeil-Smith, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Frost,
That the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 pm.

CARRIED