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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission Held January 18, 2016 in the Portlock Park Meeting Room, 145 Vesuvius Bay Road, Salt Spring Island, BC

Present: **Director:** Wayne McIntyre
 Commission Members: Jon Suk (Chair), Garth Hendren (Vice-chair), Matt Kellow, Daniel Clements, Brian Webster, Kees Ruurs, Sonja Collombin
 Staff: Dan Ovington, Parks and Recreation Manager, Karla Campbell, Senior Manager, Salt Spring Electoral Area, Tracey Shaver, Recording Secretary

Former Chair Jon Suk called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm with the first order of business being election of a chair for 2016

1. Election of Chair

Jon Suk called for nominations for the Chair. Commissioner Ruurs nominated Jon Suk and Commissioner Collombin seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Commissioner Suk accepted the position of Chair for the Parks and Recreation Commission with unanimous vote.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Commissioner Collombin, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Kellow,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission's agenda of January 18, 2016 be approved.

CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes of November 16, 2015

MOVED by Commissioner Ruurs, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Webster,
That the minutes of the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of November 16, 2015 be approved.

CARRIED

4. Presentations/ Delegations

4.1 2163 Fulford Ganges Rd. Parkland Dedication – Ryan Evanoff, BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Mr. Evanoff provided background information on the process that the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) follows for the approval of subdivisions. In the specific case of 2163 Fulford Ganges Road, MoTI approved the subdivision based on Islands Trust recommendation for a specific monetary amount of parkland dedication which was less than the 5% recommended by the receiving entity of the Capital Regional District through Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission.

Had the monetary discrepancy been a higher amount the approving officer would have considered further investigation. Per Mr. Evanoff, the Salt Spring Island government structure is like nowhere else and it would take legal action to determine whether or not Islands Trust acted improperly in this specific case. Mr. Evanoff provided assurance that this was not a precedent setting decision as far as MoTI was concerned.

Director McIntyre agreed to consult further in writing with Islands Trust in an effort to clarify expectations for future subdivision which warrant parkland dedication.

4.2 Brinkworthy Residents-Susan Brain and Wendy Kaye

Several Brinkworthy residents attended the meeting to offer support for the delegations who presented a request to be considered major stakeholders in any further planning of the recreation facilities proposed for 181 Brinkworthy Road. Specifically, the residents would like to establish a terms of reference for their input in an effort to mitigate any negative impact on their properties should the project proceed and ultimately obtain the approval of the Agricultural Land Commission.

4.3 Rainbow Road Indoor Pool Report (Oct to Dec 2015)-Jim Raddysh

Mr. Raddysh presented a quarterly report to the Commission.

- Tuesday/Thursdays from 1- 2 pm are the only Adult times
- Friday Night Madness numbers are down
- School District participation is now invoiced directly their numbers appear under added programs.
- New inter tube water polo program to start soon after hours from 6:30 to 8:00 pm
- A revised report to include September numbers will be provided at the next meeting for information.

5. Reports-Chair and Director

5.1 Chair Suk proposed a motion to add election of vice chair to item 7.0.

MOVED by Commissioner Ruurs, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Clements,
That election of a vice chair be conducted under item 7.0 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2 Director McIntyre provided an overview of current events.

- Recent Chamber sponsored breakfast meeting with Elizabeth May.
- Rain water harvesting rebate program up and running
- Incorporation Committee has delayed the final report for further review of roads.

6. Outstanding Business

6.1 Land Acquisition-181 Brinkworthy Road

Dan Ovington provided information on the status of the project.

- No response to RFP for playing field development project which would include land studies, and community consultation process.
- Staff revising scope of project with a priority to focus on community consultation to mitigate concerns. Brinkworthy residents are a major stakeholder and their proposed terms of reference to be considered.
- PARC is not a land developer and should not be required to add parklands into the ALR as a community amenity.

6.2 Trails Forum RFP

\$5,000 has been reallocated from the Sunday Market coordination to the Trails Forum project and a RFP will be issued this Spring to facilitate community consultation.

Director McIntyre reported that the CRD received a \$650,000 grant to implement participation in the Trans Canada Trail. The Electoral Area Services Commission will be working towards inclusion of the S. Gulf Islands as part of this historical trails network.

6.3 Program Development – Winter Brochure

- New Winter Leisure guide is now available.
- Portlock Portable has been renovated and is being used for programs and CRD meetings.
- New program assistant, Kara MaKay, has been hired.
- Music Classes are doing well
- Careful consideration is being taken for new programs which will not create false competition for local instructors.
- Continue to develop partnerships with instructors where PARC can carry the administrative load and provide support.
- Commissioner Webster urges the PARC commission to continue the support of new programming efforts.
- \$1000 Family day grant was received for free public swims February 5-8, 2016.

6.4 Response to Referral of Islands Trust Industrial Land Use Bylaw

Copy of correspondence included for information.

6.5 Canada 150 Infrastructure Program Application

The grant application was not successful; however the project brought three local CRD Commission together in an effort to support the sea walk project.

Director McIntyre reported that the project was still under consideration and that public consultation will begin later in January with the original designs.

7. New Business

7.0 Election of Vice Chair

Jon Suk called for nominations for Vice Chair. Commissioner Webster nominated Garth Hendren and Commissioner Ruurs seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Commissioner Suk appointed Commissioner Hendren as the Vice Chair who accepted the position and received unanimous vote.

7.1 Centennial Park Master Plan – Notice of Award

Nine applicants responded to the RFP for the Centennial Park Master Plan. The LADR corporation was awarded the contract under the implementation of the CRD procurement scoring policy. The LARD group will begin community consultation to update the 1966 master plan.

7.2 Islands Trust – File No. SS-RZ-2015.2 Application to amend Land Use Bylaw PR3(a) zone to allow a Squash Court Facility

The Commission expressed support for the new recreational facility however discussed the wording of the draft bylaw and requested that section 2.1 3b be more specific regarding the amount of courts to be constructed.

MOVED by Commissioner Kellow, **SECONDED** by Commission Clements,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission support the proposal to
amend Land Use Bylaw PR3(a) zone to allow a Squash Court facility at 805 Lower
Ganges Road with a maximum of two courts.

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7.3 Park Vandalism-Tree Cutting at Sun Eagle Park

Manager Ovington reported that further investigation with the CRD legal department
was ongoing.

8. Next meeting February 15, 2016 from 5-7pm at the Portlock Portable.

Commissioner Kellow requested some additional time for commissioners to address some
long term planning of PARC services.

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Director McIntyre, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Ruurs,
That the meeting be adjourned at 6:30 pm.

CHAIR

SENIOR MANAGER

