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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission
Held March 19, 2018 at 145 Vesuvius Bay Road, Salt Spring Island, BC**

Present: **Director:** Wayne McIntyre
 Commission Members: Gregg Dow, Garth Hendren, Brian Webster, Darlene Steele, John Gauld
 Staff: Dan Ovington, Parks and Recreation Manager; Karla Campbell, Senior Manager, Salt Spring Island Electoral Area; Tracey Shaver, Recording Secretary
 Absent: Sonja Collombin, Jacky Cooper

Chair Dow called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Commissioner Hendren, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gauld,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission agenda of March 19, 2018 be amended and approved by adding Item 3.1 John Davies and Item 5.2 Rezoning for New Indoor Tennis Court.

CARRIED

2. Adoption of Minutes of February 19, 2018

MOVED by Director McIntyre, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gauld,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes of February 19, 2018 be approved.

CARRIED

3. Delegation/Presentation

3.1 John Davies

Mr. Davies suggested that the as part of the transition of pool management from the current service provider to the CRD that there should be public recognition of the many years of service.

4. Director and Chair Reports

4.1 Director McIntyre-briefly reported on the following:

- Meeting with Harbour Authority to address any issues over the Tree House Café outdoor seating area
- Hosted SFU Urban Studies Graduate Students along with George Grams; topic was SSI Governance
- Attended a presentation for Destination Management & Marketing Organization for the Islands of the Southern Salish Sea

- Electoral Area Service Committee and the CRD Board approved the 2018 Budget; overall 2.4% increase, with Hospital Board it is 2.1% and is an average of 1.45% increase per house hold.
- Tour de Iles to be awarded grant in aid to assist with this year's funding
- Regional Growth Strategic Plan approved; SSI and SGI are not included as land use planning is under the jurisdiction of Islands Trust
- Jane Squire will represent Salt Spring on the CRD Regional Solid Waste Committee
- CRD Board considering impact of Speculation Tax and potential exemptions
- Not enough support from municipalities to continue Regional Transportation Plan
- Gulf Islands Regional Trail approved; Regional Parks identified a portion of the trail for eventual construction as Atkins Road to Vesuvius Ferry Terminal
- Attended a second planning workshop for the PARC Strategic Plan

4.2 Chair's Report

Chair Dow reported he participated in the Ganges Harbour Walk Steering Committee Meeting in February and has been catching up on PARC activities.

5. Outstanding Business

5.1 Project Status Report

Manager Ovington briefly answered some questions on the status of various projects:

- Bike Park- Open house for public input planned for March 25th
- Pool Mechanical- Leak in main pump was fixed
- April 1-20 pool closed, opening celebration on April 21, 2018 with free swim and open house
- Lots of advertisements coming for pool reopening under CRD; to include information on a new website, program registration at the pool, parks and recreation guide and to thank the current service provider

5.2 Rezoning for New Indoor Tennis Court

Islands Trust is holding another Open House on this rezoning application to recognize the removal of the outdoor tennis courts which were not previously approved by the Agriculture Land Use committee under the PR3 zoning.

The Commission generally agreed to continue the support of the application as previously responded.

6. New Business

6.1 Salt Spring Island Farmers Institute License Of Use

Brief discussion with the following points:

- PARC is supportive of both groups and maintaining access for public use
- Perhaps Therapeutic Riding Association can be a subtenant of the Farmer's Institute

MOVED by Director McIntyre, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gauld,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that the Capital Regional District enter into a property agreement with the Salt Spring Island Farmers Institute for the purpose of operating a riding ring in the licensed area identified in Schedule A from May 1, 2018 and terminating on the day of April 30, 2023 at a license fee of \$10.00; and further, that the CRD staff and Chief Administrative Officer negotiate and execute an agreement suitable for the tenure.

CARRIED

6.2 2017 SSI Parks and Recreation Year End Revenue and Expenses

Manager Ovington reviewed the final 2017 yearend data. New software program uses a deferred revenue accounting system.

The Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission receive this report for information.

Commissioner Webster declared a conflict with the next item and left the meeting at 5:47pm

6.3 Market Advisory Group

The definition applying to “farmers” was tightened at the end of the 2016 season and due to the timing of this change, exemptions were granted for those who might not be able to qualify under the new definition for the 2017 market season.

During the 2017 Market Season the definition was amended and at the end of the 2017 market season it was decided that review of any exemption requests should happen in the fall to allow enough notice for anyone who is denied an exemption to make other product arrangements.

Only five vendors each with unique situations applied for an exemption this spring for the 2018 Season.

MOVED by Commissioner Hendren, **SECONDED** by Director McIntyre,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission request that staff approve all exemption requests for the 2018 market season and further that a notice be sent out each year in September requesting exemption requests for the following market season.

CARRIED

Commissioner Webster returned to the meeting at 6:00 pm

Karla Campbell left the meeting at 6:00 pm

7. Motion to Close the meeting

MOVED by Director McIntyre, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Hendren,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission close the meeting in accordance with the Community Charter Part 4, Division 3, Section 90 (1): **(e)** the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

CARRIED

The Commission closed the meeting at 6:00 pm.
The Commission returned from the closed meeting without report at 6:40 pm.

8. Rise and Report- none

9. Next Meeting April 16, 2018, 5 to 7pm at Portlock Park Portable

10. Adjournment

MOVED By Director McIntyre, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Webster,
That the meeting adjourn at 6:41 pm.

CARRIED

CHAIR

SENIOR MANAGER