

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE
ON MONDAY, MAY 10, 1999**

PRESENT:	Chair	- Alan Fetherstonhaugh
	Vice-Chair	- Gabriel Yong
	Commissioners	- David Chesman
		- Allan De Genova
		- Laura McDiarmid
		- Patrick Warren
		- Duncan Wilson
	General Manager	- Susan Mundick
	Director of Planning & Operations	- Pieter Rutgers
	Director of Corporate Services	- Anita Ho
	Director of Stanley District	- Jim Lowden
	Director of Vancouver East District	- Allan Argent
	A/Director of Queen Elizabeth District	- Gord Lindal
	Manager of Public Affairs	- Terri Clark
	Recorder	- Julie Casanova

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on Monday, April 26, 1999 were adopted as circulated

CHAIR'S REPORT

Lion's Gate Bridge Project

Commissioner Fetherstonhaugh advised the Board that Commissioner De Genova and himself attended the announcement of the letting of the tender for the Lion's Gate Bridge. Commissioner Fetherstonhaugh reiterated that the Board is opposed to surface traffic through Stanley Park and has lobbied for an under the park tunnel. Unfortunately the government was not interested in this proposal and all they wanted was to spend the least amount of money. The tendered project will be widening the sidewalk by a meter for cyclists and pedestrians but does nothing to alleviate the traffic problems in Downtown or West Vancouver. There is a need for a mid harbour crossing and to get the traffic out of Stanley Park.

DELEGATIONS

Theatre Under the Stars

Board members received copies of a staff report dated April 25, 1999 recommending that the Board give approval to Theatre Under the Stars to use Malkin Bowl from May 1 to September 1, 1999 to 2004 based on the Agreement of Understanding attached to report as Appendix A.

Ron Kassell from Theatre Under the Stars stated that they appreciated the five year extension to their agreement and was present to answer any questions the Board might have. Mr. Kassell informed the Board that last year was not too successful so they will only do one show this year. Mr. Kassell stated that he could see the Symphony of Fire fireworks having an adverse effect on them because they both close on the same night. Parking for the cast could also be a problem but they will work it out with staff.

Moved by Commissioner Warren,

THAT the Board give approval to Theatre Under the Stars to use Malkin Bowl form May 1 to September 1, 1999 - 2004 based on the attached Agreement of Understanding (Appendix A).

- Carried Unanimously.

Vancouver Sun Run - 2000

Board members received copies of a staff report dated April 1, 1999 recommending that the Board consider an exception to the Special Event Policy with an extension to the Stanley park closure until 10:30 a.m. to allow a later start time for the Sun Run 2000 on a year trial basis.

Jamie Pitblado, Promotions Manager - Vancouver Sun stated that they received approval from the City to move the start time to 9:00 a.m. to accommodate the people from outside the Lower Mainland. Mr. Pitblado asked the Board to support their request to extend the closure of Stanley Park until 10:30 a.m. They will work with the stakeholders to ensure that the change will have minimum impact on them.

Board members discussed the matter and Commissioner Fetherstonhaugh stated that the closing of Stanley Park beyond 10:00 a.m. will be breaking a long tradition and could be setting a precedent for other groups wishing to use the park. Commissioner Wilson stated that the Vancouver Sun Run is a significant event and asked the Board to support their request.

Moved by Commissioner McDiarmid,

THAT the Board consider an exception to the Special Event Policy with an extension to the Stanley Park closure until 10:30 a.m. to allow a later start time for the Sun Run 2000, on a one year trial basis.

-Carried Unanimously.

Kitsilano Yacht Club - Lease Renewal

Board members received copies of a staff report dated April 29, 1999 recommending that the Board renew the licence with the Kitsilano Yacht Club for five years commencing May 17, 1997 and ending May 16, 2002.

Moved by Commissioner Yong,

- A. THAT the Board renew the licence with the Kitsilano Yacht Club for five years commencing May 17, 1997 and ending May 16, 2002.
- B. THAT the new licence reflect the changes in this report.

Fred Grimm from Kitsilano Yacht Club appeared before the Board and stated that he was there to answer any questions the Board might have. The language in the license has been updated to reflect the actual activities at the Kitsilano Yacht Club.

Board members discussed the matter and Commissioner Chesman expressed a concern that in the future under the proposed amendments it might be possible for the wrong control group at the Club to start to charge fees designed to exclude new members. Commissioner Chesman stated that he would like to amend the motion that the General Manager's approval will be required if the Club was to raise their fees in excess of 10% a year.

Moved by Commissioner Chesman,

THAT a paragraph 10 (b) be added to paragraph 10 on page 2 of the staff report dated April 29, 1999. Paragraph 10 will now be paragraph 10 (a) and 10 (b) will read as follows: The Club shall not increase any fees or charges referenced in paragraph (a) above by more than 10% per year without the prior approval of the General Manager.

- Carried Unanimously.

The main motion as amended was put as follows:

Moved by Commissioner Yong

- A. THAT the Board renew the licence with the Kitsilano Yacht Club for five years commencing May 17, 1997 and ending May 16, 2002.**
- B. THAT the new licence reflect the changes in this report.**
- C. THAT a paragraph 10 (b) be added to paragraph 10 on page 2 of the staff report dated April 29, 1999. Paragraph 10 will now be paragraph 10 (a) and 10 (b) will read as follows: The Club shall not increase any fees or charges referenced in paragraph (a) above by more than 10% per year without the prior approval of the General Manager.**

- Carried Unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Naming of Parksite - Jean Beaty Park

Board members received copies of a staff report dated April 26, 1999 recommending that the Board officially name the park site at Waterloo Street End and Point Grey Road Jean Beaty Park.

Commissioner Chesman advised the Board that the late Mrs. Beaty was a native

Vancouverite who loved this city. Mrs. Beaty came forward at a time when it was useful to remind us that there were those in Vancouver who valued the city and valued the park system. In 1995 she wished to contribute to the City that she loved and decided the way to do so would be to donate parkland to the City. She did not want during her life, her name to be on the park. We honoured that request in 1996 when as Chair, he was honoured to open the park in a quite ceremony with Mrs. Beaty's family. Mrs. Beaty died in early April this year and with the agreement of her family it is the Board's wish to name the park after her .

Moved by Commissioner Chesman,

THAT the Board officially name the park site at Waterloo Street End and Point Grey Road, Jean Beaty Park.

-Carried Unanimously.

M.A.R.S. RESOLUTION - "Making All Recreation Safe"

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 7, 1999 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A to C in the report.

Moved by Commissioner McDiarmid,

- A. THAT the Park Board work to ensure that all recreation is safe and occurs within a nurturing and supportive environment, and accept the following five M.A.R.S. principles as the foundation for key strategies in making recreation safe from abuse and harassment in Vancouver:**
- **working together with our partners and affiliates**
 - **maximizing existing resources**
 - **focussing on the individual and the community to effect change at the local level**
 - **staying the course through a long term commitment**
 - **keeping score through continual assessment and evaluation**
- B. THAT the Park Board continue to develop and implement policies, procedures, training and best practices toward the goal of making all recreation safe from abuse and harassment.**

- C. THAT the Board request the members of Vancouver City Council attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference from June 4-5 1999 to support the M.A.R.S. initiative .**

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Hillcrest Park Playing Fields Redevelopment :Contract Award

Commissioner Chesman left the room on a potential conflict of interest.

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 10, 1999 recommending that the Board approve the award of the landscape contract to Cedar Crest Lands (B.C.) Ltd to implement playing field improvements at Hillcrest Park.

Moved by Commissioner DeGenova,

- A. THAT the Board approve the award of the landscape contract to Cedar Crest Lands (B.C.) Ltd. To implement playing field improvements at Hillcrest Park, Contract T-99-04.**
- B. THAT no legal rights shall arise hereby, and none shall arise until execution of the contemplated contract. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contract.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Commissioner Chesman returned to the meeting at this time

ENQUIRIES

Commissioner Wilson thanked staff for signing the trails in Stanley Park.

Commissioner Wilson enquired about the status of the playground at Citygate.

Pieter Rutgers, Director of Planning and Operations advised the Board that a 11" x 17" drawing of what the playground would like is being done and would be posted in the Citygate complex.

Commissioner McDiarmid asked the Commissioners to promote the most beautiful block in Vancouver project at their respective Community Centre which they liaise with.

Commissioner Wilson thanked Commissioner McDiarmid for representing the Park Board at the B.C.R.P.A. Conference.

Susan Mundick
General Manager

Commissioner Alan Fetherstonhaugh
Chair