

**Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting  
Held on Thursday, October 2, 2003  
in the Park Board Boardroom  
at 8:15 AM**

<b>Present :</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>- Anita Romaniuk</b>
	<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>- Loretta Woodcock</b>
	<b>Director of Corporate Services</b>	<b>- Anita Ho</b>
	<b>Director of Vancouver East District</b>	<b>- Lori MacKay</b>
	<b>Manager of Communications</b>	<b>- Joyce Courtney</b>
	<b>Recorder</b>	<b>- Julie Casanova</b>

**Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes of the Finance Committee held on September 5, 2003 were adopted as circulated.

**August 31, 2003 Operating Statement**

The committee reviewed the operating statement as at August 31, 2003 and concluded that there was no need to take any action at this time. The committee was advised that the hold back on the increase to seniors fees did not affect the golf revenue. Golf revenue is dependant on the weather and it is hoped that we could recover from a rainy spring with good weather in the fall.

**2004 Budget Process - October 18, 2003**

The committee discussed the logistics for the upcoming open house on October 18, 2003, to gather public input for the 2004 budget.

**Clubhouse Operations**

The Director of Vancouver East District reported on the financials with regard to the golf clubhouse operations. She advised the committee that the clubhouse operations used to be managed by a contractor, however, on his retirement, staff undertook to pilot a new structure of operations with our own staff. This pilot has been successful and would recommend the model to be adopted.

Darwyn Hermann representing CUPE Local 15 appeared before the committee to present the Union's position that the new structure should be comprised of staff within the bargaining unit. Mr. Hermann stated that there was no need to have management staff for the clubhouse operations.

The committee discussed the issue and were cognizant of the fact that the job description used during the pilot would be classified as exempt from the collective agreement. On further discussions regarding the job description, the Director of Vancouver East District suggested that should the committee wish to change the job description, a new pilot would have to be undertaken to determine if the structure would be successful under the new job description.

### **Senior Golf Programs**

The committee was advised that even though there have been various incentive programs for seniors at the golf courses, the number of seniors playing golf did not increase. The committee discussed the possibility of different rates for different courses. A member of the committee requested a comparison of fees with other municipalities.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.