

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE  
ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1996**

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PRESENT:	Chair	- David Chesman
	Vice Chair	- Alan Fetherstonhaugh
	Commissioners	- Malcolm Ashford
		- Allan DeGenova
		- Donna Morgan
		- Duncan Wilson
	General Manager	- Vic Kondrosky
	Director of Planning	- Jim Lowden
	Manager - Public Affairs	- Terri Clark
	Recording Secretary	- Barbara Stampfl

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The Chair introduced the members of the Board and noted that Commissioner Louis was absent due to ill health.

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, November 4, 1996 were adopted as circulated.

The minutes of the special meeting of the Board held on Friday, November 8, 1996 were adopted as circulated.

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**2. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Commissioner Chesman displayed a framed photo of the Symphony of Fire presented by the Vancouver Fireworks Society to the Park Board.

Commissioner Chesman stated that this would be his last meeting as Chair of the Board. This decision was made to provide more time with his family as well as allowing another member of the caucus the opportunity to preside as Chair.

He stated his delight with the success of the referendum regarding the Community Centre's renewal receiving 74% support from the voters which was more than any other item or person received. This is a worthwhile result for all those who worked so hard to achieve this.

The Chair referred to the community conference held on Saturday, November 23rd, regarding the Hastings Park restoration which was well attended and he noted that the interest and level of cooperation remains high for this project.

With regard to the Fraserview Golf Course and the report regarding tree removal, the Chair advised that as this item has substantial substance it was the consensus of the Board that it should be dealt with by the new Board.

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## **LAST MEETING'S NOTICE OF MOTION**

### **Women's Monument**

Moved by Commissioner Morgan,

- THAT the Board pay for the installation of the granite benches in the Women's Monument Project at a cost not to exceed \$14,000, with funds to come from park development monies.

Commissioner Morgan stated that she wished to amend her notice of motion as follows:

- THAT the Board pay for the installation of the granite benches in the Women's Monument Project at a cost not to exceed \$14,000, with funds to come from the corporate sponsorship monies.

Commissioner Morgan outlined the problems experienced by the Women's Monument Committee because they were the first project to go through the Public Art policy. They have gone through numerous community processes and have raised substantial amounts for this project but because of the nature of the project it falls outside of the guidelines for public art monies from the City and outside the definition of Neighbourhood Matching Funds as defined by the Park Board.

Commissioner Wilson stated that he had spoken with two City Councillors about this and would be willing to put forward a motion to Council that this group be included in the policy definition. He was not in agreement with setting aside corporate sponsorship monies for this project as it would set a precedent with regard to other monuments.

Commissioner DeGenova questioned if Commissioner Morgan would exclude any particular corporate sponsors. He stated that he supported the project but felt that there could be another method of raising funds. He referred to the bench program for Andy Livingstone Park and suggested that if the Women's Monument committee initiated sales of these benches then the proceeds could go towards the Women's Monument project.

Commissioner Fetherstonhaugh questioned staff about the cost of site preparation. The Director of Planning stated that no money has been directly allocated to this project but \$50 to \$60,000 would be required to improve the park itself including irrigation, path system, etc. This would enhance the park which in turn would enhance the monument.

Commissioner Fetherstonhaugh stated that he would not support this

motion as he felt that the Board has to look after its own facilities first. He felt that providing the funding either from the corporate sponsorship program or the bench program would set a precedent.

Commissioner Morgan stated that her opening remarks noted the contradiction contained in her motion with regard to corporate sponsorship monies but something needs to be done to help out the project. The policy is to be changed but unfortunately will not be done until after this project is completed. Other projects will have the avenue for funding in the future. She added that this is not setting a precedent but is trying to do something parallel to the Neighbourhood Matching Fund.

Moved by Commissioner DeGenova,

- THAT the main motion be amended to state that funding to come from the Andy Livingstone Park bench program sales initiated by the Women' s Monument Committee.

Commissioner Ashford felt that this could be perceived as a precedent and that the source of funding is irrelevant. He felt that the Board should stay with the original motion.

Commissioner Wilson stated his support of the amendment because the onus would be on the Women' s Monument committee to raise the funds, not on the Park Board.

The Chair stated that he would support the motion if it incorporated express language stating that this is not intended as a Board precedent. This was accepted as a friendly amendment.

The amendment was put as follows:

- a. THAT the main motion be amended to state that funding to come from the Andy Livingstone Park bench program sales initiated by the Women' s Monument Committee, and,
- b. THAT this not be intended as a Park Board precedent.

**CARRIED**

(Commissioners Ashford, Fetherstonhaugh contrary)

The main motion, as amended, was put as follows:

- a. THAT the Board pay for the installation of the granite benches in the Women' s Monument Project at a cost not to exceed \$14,000, with funds to come from the Andy Livingstone Park bench program sales initiated by the Women' s Monument Committee, and,
- b. THAT this not be intended as a Park Board precedent.

(Commissioners Ashford, Fetherstonhaugh contrary)

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Women' s Monument Project**

Commissioner Wilson stated that the public art policy should include the Women' s Monument Project. He felt it was unfair that they have been excluded from it when it is an obvious community that should be included.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson,

- THAT the Board request City Council to expedite the amendments to the Public Art committee guidelines for funding of public works so that the Women' s Monument Project and other communities of interest are included in the definition.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**1. APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

Warrant #40 in the amount of \$354,086.35, Warrant #45 in the amount of \$249,057.68, Warrant #46 in the amount of \$654,314.91, Warrant #47 in the amount of \$621,570.70, Warrant #48 in the amount of \$260,410.91.

**2. GENERAL MANAGER CONTRACT AWARDS IN EXCESS OF \$50,000**

Staff information report dated November 20, 1996 mailed to Board members.

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