

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE
ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1998**

PRESENT:	Chair	- Duncan Wilson
	Vice-Chair	- Alan Fetherstonhaugh
	Commissioners	- David Chesman
		- Laura McDiarmid
		- Patrick Warren
		- Gabriel Yong
		- Susan Mundick
	General Manager	
	Director of Administrative & Revenue Services	- Philip Josephs
	Director of Corporate Services	- Anita Ho
	Acting Director of Operations	- Bill Manning
	Director of Planning	- Jim Lowden
	Director of Recreation Services	- Allan Argent
	Manager of Public Affairs	- Terri Clark
	Recording Secretary	- Julie Chiu

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday July 27, 1998 were adopted as circulated.

DELEGATIONS

Vancouver Central Lions Club

Doug Starink, Vancouver Central Lions Club presented a cheque in the amount of \$250,000 to the Board for their share of the cost of the Locomotive 374 Display Pavilion. Mr. Starink also presented the Board with a commemorative limited edition brass replica of Engine 374. This replica model is being presented to all those who contributed towards the cost of the construction of the Display Pavilion. Board members thanked Mr. Starink for the contribution from the Vancouver Central Lions Club and his continued involvement with Engine 374.

Jericho Sailing Centre

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 2, 1998 recommending that the park Board approve the scope of work described in the report and that the Board extend the current license agreement with the Jericho Sailing Centre to September 30, 2008.

Mike Cotter, Jericho Sailing Centre, appeared before the Board to seek approval for the final phase of their building code upgrading program and to request an extension of their current license agreement to September 30, 2008.

Moved by Commissioner,

- A. THAT the Park Board approve the scope of work described in the staff report dated September 2, 1998.**
- B. THAT the Park Board extend the current license agreement with the Jericho Sailing Centre to September 30, 2008.**

-Carried Unanimously.

Stanley Park - Park Drive : Two Way Traffic to Ferguson Point

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 2, 1998 recommending that the Board approve Recommendations A to C in the report.

Moved by Commissioner Warren,

- A. THAT the Park Board approve modifying Park Drive in Stanley Park to permit two-way traffic between Second and Third beaches on a trial basis for one summer season.
- B. THAT the operator of the Ferguson Point Teahouse Restaurant fund the modification to a maximum sum of \$50,000.
- C. THAT the Park Board approve a five year option to the Ferguson Point Teahouse lease, from January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2009.

Brent Davies, Ferguson Point Teahouse, appeared before the Board and stated that the proposed modifying of Park Drive to permit two-way traffic between Second and Third Beaches is necessary to allow park users to access Third Beach and Ferguson Point without having to drive all around the Park. Mr. Davies stated that this improvement could improve his lunch hour clientele.

Ron Rothwell, Friends of Stanley Park, stated that the two-way traffic to Third Beach was never addressed in the Stanley Park Transportation Plan. Mr. Rothwell stated that there should be a set of criterias which could be used to evaluate this trial.

Board members discussed this matter and Commissioner Chesman thanked the Friends of Stanley Park for their involvement. Commissioner Chesman stated that the point made by Mr. Rothwell regarding a set of criterias for evaluation of the trial was a good one and he would like to add a recommendation D.

Moved by Commissioner Chesman,

Recommendation D

THAT staff prepare for the Board's approval objective criterias to assess the one year trial period.

-Carried Unanimously.

The main motion was put as follows:

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-Carried Unanimously.

Grandview Woodlands Police Office

Eileen Mosca and Valerie Spicer, Grandview Woodlands Police Office, appeared before the Board to express their appreciation for the quick action taken by the Environment and Operations staff to clean up Grandview Park. Ms. Mosca showed pictures of how Grandview Park had an overflow of garbage and inhabited by drug users. In order to deter the drug users from using the park, a lot of bushes were either trimmed or removed and the community with the aid of Park staff and Police were able to reclaim Grandview Park.

Board members thanked Ms. Mosca and Ms Spicer for their efforts in bringing everyone together to clean up Grandview Park. It was suggested that this initiative could be used as a model for other neighbourhood parks in the city.

Horse Drawn Carriages

Bill Pate, Olde Tyme Rides, appeared before the Board with regard to horse drawn carriage in Stanley Park. Mr. Pate stated that he did not understand why the negotiations with AAA Horse and Carriage is delayed. He felt that by AAA Horse and Carriage's ability to house their horses in the park, their operation was basically being subsidized by the taxpayers. Mr. Pate stated that he did not agree with the monopoly of one company being able to use Stanley Park, opening it up to competition will be healthy for business. He is willing to pay the Board fair market value rent and a reasonable commission.

Commissioner Wilson thanked Mr. Pate for his presentation and stated that his comments will be taken into consideration.

STAFF REPORTS

Security Guard Services

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

Board members received copies of a staff information report dated August 27, 1998 regarding Security Guard Services.

Moved by Commissioner Yong,

THAT the Board receive the staff report dated August 27, 1998 on Security Guard Services for information.

-Carried Unanimously.

Commissioner Chesman returned to the meeting at this point.

Sheldon Kennedy's Cross Country In-Line Skate

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 1, 1998 recommending that the Park Board approve a partial or full road closure in Stanley Park on the east side, for the Sheldon Kennedy's Cross Canada In-Line Skate, Vancouver Welcome planned for mid October 1998 with arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager.

Moved by Commissioner McDiarmid,

THAT the Park Board approve a partial or full road closure in Stanley Park, on the East side, for the Sheldon Kennedy's Cross Canada In-Line Skate, Vancouver Welcome planned for mid October 1998 with arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager.

-Carried Unanimously.

E-Comm Centre - Park Board's Role

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 4, 1998 regarding Park Board's Role in the E-Comm Centre.

Moved by Commissioner Fetherstonhaugh,

THAT the Board receive the report dated September 4, 1998 regarding the E-Comm Centre - Park Board's Role for information.

-Carried Unanimously.

LAST MEETING'S NOTICE OF MOTION

Moved by Commissioner Chesman,

THAT the Board approve a renewed agreement with AAA Horse & Carriage or that AAA Horse & Carriage be required to cease and desist all activity in Stanley Park on or before January 10, 1999.

Moved by Commissioner Chesman,

THAT this matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Board.

-Carried Unanimously.

ENQUIRIES

Commissioner Wilson stated that the chain link fence was still up at Lord Robert's School. Jim Lowden, Director of Planning advised the Board that he has still waiting to hear from the representatives of the school.

Commissioner Yong advised the Board that there was a Volunteer Task Force Committee. They had four meetings since May 1998. The committee is made up of Commissioner Patrick Warren, Commissioner Gabriel Yong, Jule Hopkins, Manager of Central Recreation Services, Carol DeFina, Information Assistant, Paul Montpellier, Acting Manager of Horticulture, Bill Manning, Acting Director of Environment and Operations, Mike Mackintosh, Manager of Wildlife and Nancy Reynolds, Community Recreation Coordinator and two representatives from CUPE 1004. A Volunteer Policy has been drafted and are in the process of doing a survey of volunteer involvement in Vancouver Parks and Recreation presently in existence. The Volunteer Policy will be submitted to the Board in October 1998.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Approval of Warrants

Warrant #33 in the amount of \$740,166.13, Warrant #34 in the amount of \$522,374.82, Warrant #35 in the amount of \$552,094.70: US\$3,120.00, Cdn. \$548,974.70, Warrant #36 in the amount of \$55,035.48, Warrant #37 in the amount of \$540,387.59, Warrant #38 in the amount of \$630,162.00, Warrant #39 in the amount of \$576,830.99, Warrant #40 in the amount of \$869,596.48, Warrant #41 in the amount of \$747,434.89.

Susan Mundick
General Manager

Commissioner Duncan Wilson
Chair