

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE  
ON MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2000**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>- Duncan Wilson</b>
	<b>Vice-Chair</b>	<b>- Laura McDiarmid</b>
	<b>Commissioners</b>	<b>- Roslyn Cassells</b>
		<b>- Allan De Genova</b>
		<b>- Clarence Hansen</b>
		<b>- Dianne Ledingham</b>
		<b>- Christopher Richardson</b>
	<b>General Manager</b>	<b>- Susan Mundick</b>
	<b>Director of Planning &amp; Operations</b>	<b>- Pieter Rutgers</b>
	<b>Director of Vancouver East District</b>	<b>- Allan Argent</b>
	<b>Director of Corporate Services</b>	<b>- Anita Ho</b>
	<b>A/Director of Stanley District</b>	<b>- Philip Josephs</b>
	<b>Manager of Research and Planning</b>	<b>- Mark Vulliamy</b>
	<b>Manager of Public Affairs</b>	<b>- Terri Clark</b>
	<b>Recorder</b>	<b>- Julie Casanova</b>

The Chair advised the Board that Commissioner Ledingham will be late arriving as she was attending the VanDusen Botanical Gardens Association's Annual General Meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The revised minutes of the meeting of the Board held on Monday, March 20, 2000 were adopted as revised.

The approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, April 3, 2000 were deferred as a member of the Board had concerns with regard to the style of the minutes.

The General Manager advised the Board that minutes were a record of actions taken by the Board from an organization perspective. Minutes should be amended for material omissions only.

## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

The General Manager advised the Board that City Council did not complete the budget discussion on April 6, 2000 as previously reported and this item has been referred to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on April 20, 2000. As soon as a decision is reached by Council, Park Board staff will bring a report to the Board.

## **DELEGATIONS**

### **Commissioner's Behaviour**

A member of the Board objected to the request of Ms. Nora Francis to address the Board with regard to the behaviour of one of the Commissioners. The Board member stated that this was not a park issue and the delegation should not be taking up the Board's time. The Chair called for a show of hands to indicate whether the delegation should or should not be heard. There were six supporting hearing the delegations and one against. The Board member who was against hearing the delegation asked for permission to leave the room as she did not want to hear the delegation. The Chair advised her that it was her prerogative to remain or leave while the delegation makes her presentation to the Board, however he would prefer her to stay as the delegation's comments were about her.

Ms. Nora Francis appeared before the Board with regard to a correspondence she received from a member of the Board. Ms. Francis stated that her family sent an e-mail to the Park Board to express their opinion with regard to the widening of the Stanley Park Causeway. She received a reply to her e-mail from Commissioner Cassells in the form of lengthy political newsletters. Ms. Francis sent a message to Commissioner Cassells to clarify her position, to inform her that the repeated e-mail was an intrusion and that she did not wish to receive similar communications in the future. Ms. Francis stated that the reply she received from Commissioner Cassells was unacceptable and she quoted a section of the reply for the Board members to understand why she found it offensive. Ms. Francis stated that in order that taxpayers might be reassured that this behaviour is not regarded as being acceptable she would like a clear indication from Commissioner Cassells that she does not, after all regard the type of message she sent her as an appropriate way for one in public service to address a resident taxpayer and/or that the Board make formal movement of censure of the behaviour which Commissioner Cassells has directed toward a resident taxpayer. She would like the members of the Board to remember that once they are elected to the Board they are to work for all of the residents in Vancouver.

Moved,

**THAT Commissioner Cassells give a clear indication that she does not regard the type of message which she sent to Ms. Nora Francis as appropriate for one in public service to address a resident taxpayer**

**OR**

**THAT the Board make formal movement of censure or alternate action as may be appropriate according to the Park Board Procedure Bylaw, of the behaviour which Commissioner Cassells has directed toward a resident taxpayer.**

**- Carried Unanimously.**

(Commissioner Cassells was out of the room at the time of voting.)

**Renovations to the Concession/Clubhouse at Memorial South Park**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated March 16, 2000 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A and B in the staff report.

Doug Challoner, President, South Hill Sports Association and Shaun McCune, Architects, appeared before the Board and stated that the South Hill Sports Association has operated a softball program at Memorial South Park for more than 40 years. They will be hosting the World Champion New Zealand National Team in June. In preparation for this and other major events, they would like to renovate the second floor of the clubhouse/concession to meet the needs of their organization.

Board members discussed the matter and were assured that the footprint of the clubhouse would not increase and there would not be a decrease of green space.

Moved,

- A. THAT the Board approve the proposal by South Hill Sports Association to renovate the concession/clubhouse structure in Memorial South Park as described in Appendix A; subject to all design, financial and legal details to the satisfaction of the Board.**

- B. THAT the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding with South Hill Sports Association related to renovation and operation of the concession/clubhouse structure in Memorial South Park, as described in Appendix B.**

**- Carried Unanimously.**

### **Year.2000 Capital Budget**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated March 14, 2000 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A and B. The Director of Planning and Operations amended the amount in the recommendation to \$11,480,666. The Manager of Research and Planning gave an overview of the projects in the 2000 Capital Budget.

Moved,

- A. THAT the Board approve the Capital Budget of \$11,480,666 for the year 2000 as described in Appendix A to this Report;**
- B. THAT the Board approve up to \$2,795,000 of additional Capital expenditure, funded by contributions from senior levels of government and community organizations, as outlined in this report.**

**- Carried Unanimously.**

### **Award of Contract - Park Drive Reconstruction Phase 3**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated April 13, 2000 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A to C.

Korky Day appeared before the Board and stated that Park Drive was not indicated on the Stanley Park map. He suggested that the Board consider reducing the paved area.

The Chair asked staff to consider introducing traffic calming measures on the re-paved stretch of Park Drive. The Director of Planning and Operations will bring a report back to the Board with this information.

Moved,

- A. THAT the Board award contract T2000-09 to Grandview Blacktop Ltd. for the 2000 Park Drive Reconstruction for the tendered price of \$417,141.00.**

- B. THAT the source of funds will be the 2000 Basic Capital Budget and that interim funding, if required, will be the New Brighton Park Capital Budget.**
- C. 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.**

**Operating Budget : Coal Harbour Community Centre and Killarney Community Centre**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated April 6, 2000 recommending that the Board approve recommendations 1 and 2.

Moved,

- (1) THAT the Board request Council to approve:**
  - 1. an annual operating budget of \$520,166 for the Coal Harbour Community Centre, and**
  - 1. an increase of \$205,630 to the newly renovated Killarney Community Centre.**
- (2) THAT the Board approve the establishment of three (3) regular full-time positions and one (1) regular part-time position for Coal Harbour Community Centre, and one (1) regular full-time position and two (2) regular part-time position for Killarney Community Centre.**

**- Carried Unanimously.**

**Granville Island Ferries Ltd. - Rent Review and Extension of License Agreement**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated March 24, 2000 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A to D.

Moved by Commissioner De Genova,

- A. THAT the Board extend the license agreement with Granville Island Ferries Ltd. for the dock at the Aquatic Centre for three years, for the period January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2002**
- B. THAT the license fee be set at \$8,177 for 2000, with increases for 2001 and 2002 based on inflation, subject to capital improvements of \$10,000 being made to the dock over the three year license term and, if this expenditure is not made in full during this term, the unspent balance will be added to the rent due for the third year of the license term.**
- C. THAT no legal rights shall arise and no consents, permissions or licenses are granted hereby and none shall arise or be granted hereafter unless and until all contemplated legal documentation has been executed and delivered by all parties.**
- D. THAT once the form of all legal documentation has been approved by the General Manager and Director of Legal Services for the City of Vancouver, that the General Manager be authorized to execute and deliver such documentation on behalf of the Board.**

- Carried Unanimously.

#### **Last Meeting's Notice of Motion**

Moved,

**WHEREAS Tony McNaughton has shown true heroism with such an unselfish act as to put his own life forth to save another human being; AND WHEREAS he was an active member of the West End Community;**  
**BE IT RESOLVED THAT a tree with a plaque be planted to honour his memory with assistance from the Park Board alongwith the West End Community Centre and the Coal Harbour Community Centre.**

- Carried Unanimously.

**Enquiry**

A member of the Board enquired whether the seawall in front of the social housing on Granville Island was under the jurisdiction of the Park Board. The Manager of Planning and Operations advised the Board that this area was under the jurisdiction of the City Engineering Department.

Board members were asked to read through their local papers for upcoming Earth Day environmental celebrations.

A member of the Board enquired about the dogs off-leash program. The General Manager advised the Board that staff would be bringing an evaluation report on the dogs off-leash program to the May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board.

A member of the Board stated that he received a letter with regard to the unification of McBride Park. Board members discussed the matter and agreed that it was a good idea to unite the park. The Director of Planning and Operations will bring an information report back to the Board on this matter.

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Susan Mundick  
General Manager

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Commissioner Duncan Wilson  
Chair