

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE
ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 06, 2000**

PRESENT:	Chair	- Duncan Wilson
	Vice-Chair	- Laura McDiarmid
	Commissioners	- Roslyn Cassells
		- Allan De Genova
		- Clarence Hansen
		- Dianne Ledingham
		- Christopher Richardson
	General Manager	- Susan Mundick
	Director of Stanley District	- Jim Lowden
	Director of Planning & Operations	- Piet Rutgers
	Manager of Planning & Research	- Mark Vulliamy
	Recorder	- Julie Casanova

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, October 16, 2000 were adopted as circulated.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

2000 Capital Transfer Report

Board members received copies of a staff report dated October 25, 2000 recommending that the Board approve two permanent transfers of capital funds for Asbestos Abatement.

Moved by Commissioner Richardson,

THAT the following two permanent transfers of capital funds be approved:

- 1. \$120,000 from 2000 Major Maintenance Rinks (#30002842) to 2000 Asbestos Abatement (#30002847).**
- 2. \$65,000 from 1997/99 General Rink Improvement (#30001001) to 2000 Asbestos Abatement (#30002847).**

- Carried Unanimously.

Park Board Strategic Plan

Board members received copies of a staff report dated October 27, 2000 recommending that the Board receive the revised version of the Park Board Strategic Plan for information.

The Manager of Planning and Research reviewed the planning, circulation, response and changes to the Strategic Plan. Board members were advised that this document is still being worked on based on responses received from the Board and the various stakeholders.

Board members discussed the plan and a member of the Board requested that the Strategic Plan under discussion should be identified as a Draft Strategic Plan.

A Commissioner requested that a member of the public be allowed to speak as a delegation to the Board. The Chair advised that the Strategic Plan will be on the Board's agenda after the strike and members of the public will have an opportunity to address the Board at that time.

Moved by Commissioner McDiarmid,

THAT the Board receive the attached revised version of the Park Board Strategic Plan for information, and consider it for adoption after the current labour dispute.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Comprehensive Signage System and Wayfinding Plan

Board members received copies of a staff report dated October 8, 2000 recommending that the report be received for information. Staff gave a presentation on the needs for standardizing the signage in Park Board facilities and providing maximum information with the least amount of environment damage. Board members discussed the matter and a few members raised concerns regarding the colour scheme and sign pollution.

Moved by Commissioner Hansen,

THAT this report be received as information

- Carried.

(Commissioners De Genova and Richardson contrary)

Enquiries , New Business

The following notice of motion was put forward by Commissioner Cassells:

THAT there be an immediate moratorium in all acquisitions of the Aquarium with the exceptions of animal brought in to feed other animals and;

FURTHER THAT Section 9 of the Parks Control By-Law be amended to remove the exceptions which allow the Aquarium to import cetaceans in perpetuity with one exceptions : The by-law will read :

No person shall bring into any park or keep or otherwise maintain in any park any aquatic mammal of the Cetacean order including, but not limited to, baleen whales, narwhals, dolphins, porpoises, killer whales and beluga whales, except that this prohibition shall not apply to:

An animal that has been captured or otherwise taken from its natural wild habitat for the purpose of rehabilitating it from injury or preventing its death due to stranding provided that its capture or taking and subsequent release to natural habitat is done under the jurisdiction and with the approval of the federal agency responsible and provided that the Park Board has been informed in as timely a manner as possible.

Community Kid Watch

The Board was encouraged to participate in the Community Kid Watch Program organized by the Community Policing Centre, Vancouver Police Department, Vancouver School Board, 97 KISS FM and Insurance Corporation of British Columbia.

The following notice of motion was put forward by Commissioner McDiarmid:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approach the “Community Kid Watch” partners to become involved as an active partner in this worthwhile program.

Robson Park Adhoc Committee

There was an enquiry with regard to the Robson Park Adhoc Committee and the possibility of a police matter connected to this Committee. Staff advised that they have no knowledge of the Robson Park Adhoc Committee. The Chair advised the Commissioner to refer this issue to the Vancouver Police Department.

Moved by Commissioner Ledingham,

That the Board go into a meeting which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2 of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraph:

(c) labour relations or employee negotiations

(j) information that is prohibited from disclosure under section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*;

- Carried

(Commissioner Cassells contrary)

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Susan Mundick
General Manager

Commissioner Duncan Wilson
Chair