

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE  
ON MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2002**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>- Clarence Hansen</b>
	<b>Commissioners</b>	<b>- Roslyn Cassells</b>
		<b>- Laura McDiarmid</b>
		<b>- Dianne Ledingham</b>
		<b>- Christopher Richardson</b>
		<b>- Duncan Wilson</b>
	<b>General Manager</b>	<b>- Susan Mundick</b>
	<b>Director of Queen Elizabeth District</b>	<b>- Liane McKenna</b>
	<b>Director of Planning &amp; Operations</b>	<b>- Piet Rutgers</b>
	<b>Director of Stanley District</b>	<b>- Jim Lowden</b>
	<b>Director of Vancouver East District</b>	<b>- Lori Mackay</b>
	<b>Manager of Public Affairs</b>	<b>- Terri Clark</b>
	<b>Recorder</b>	<b>- Julie Casanova</b>

Commissioner De Genova was absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, January 14, 2002 were adopted as circulated.

**DELEGATIONS**

**Malkin Bowl**

Carol Jinks, President, Kevin Copping, Executive Director and Douglas Louth, Vice President, Theatre Under The Stars requested the Board to support their vision to improve Malkin Bowl and Theatre Under the Stars. The delegation stated that in order to continue providing a quality production they would need to renovate or rebuild Malkin Bowl. Theatre Under the Stars will assist in the funding for the renovations/rebuilding of Malkin Bowl by launching a fund raising campaign. The delegation requested the Board to approve their plan for renewal so that they can move forward with their fund-raising campaign.

Board members thanked the delegations and advised them that staff will work with them on their proposal and report back to the Board.

### **Impact of the Noise By-law Amendment on Park Board Operations**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated January 25, 2002 recommending that the Board receive the Administrative Report to Council dated January 25, 2002 and that the Board endorse recommendations B, C, and D in the Administrative Report.

Staff gave a brief review on the consequences of the Noise By-law Amendment which restricts the use of gas powered leaf blowers on Park Board operations and the alternate equipment and operating procedures that are required to deal with leaf and debris removal. Staff are concerned about the possible physical and financial impacts on golf courses and recommend that these be exempted from the by-law amendments.

The following delegations requested to speak to the Board with regard to the Impact of the Noise By-law Amendment on Park Board Operations:

- Hans Schmidt
- Anita Romaniuk

The following is a summary of comments provided by the foregoing delegations:

- continued use of leaf blower will set a precedent;
- measuring noise by decibels is inaccurate;
- do not allow any exemption to golf courses;
- people go to parks for peace and nature;
- move towards using non-polluting equipment.

Moved by Commissioner Ledingham,

- 1. THAT the Board receive the attached Council report dated January 25, 2002, for information.**
- 2. THAT the Board endorse recommendations B, C and D of the attached Council report dated January 25, 2002 as listed below:**
  - B. THAT public and private Golf Courses be exempted from the proposed noise by-law.**
  - C. THAT staff be instructed to report back in July 2003 on the noise levels and emission standards of gas powered leaf blowers, and the economic impact of implementing a total ban, in order to confirm whether or not to implement a total ban in February 2004.**
  - D. THAT the noise bylaw amendments include any**

recommendations approved by Council this day.

Board members discussed the matter and a member of the Board referred to recommendation D in the Administrative Report to Council and stated that the Board should not be pre-approving any recommendations by Council.

Moved by Commissioner Cassells,

**THAT recommendation D in the Administrative Report dated January 25, 2002 :**

**“THAT the noise bylaw amendments include any recommendations approved by Council this day”  
be deleted from recommendation 2.**

**-Carried Unanimously.**

**A vote was taken on recommendation 1 in the main motion and it was Carried Unanimously.**

**A vote was taken on recommendation B of recommendation 2 and it was Carried.** Commissioner Cassells contrary.

**A vote was taken on recommendation C of recommendation 2 and it was Carried Unanimously.**

### **Little Mountain Reservoir Seismic Upgrade Project**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated January 18, 2002 recommending that the General Manager be authorized to negotiate a memorandum of understanding with the Greater Vancouver Regional District for the Board's consideration in accordance with the expectations outlined in the report and that the preliminary design concept for the reservoir rooftop proceed to public consultation.

Staff presented the conceptual site plan for the Little Mountain Reservoir Seismic Upgrade Project and asked the Board to approve it for public consultation.

Moved by Commissioner Ledingham,

- A. THAT the General Manager be authorized to negotiate a memorandum of understanding with the Greater Vancouver Regional District for the Board's consideration in accordance with the expectations outlined in this report;**

- B. THAT the preliminary design concept for the reservoir rooftop proceed to public consultation.**

**- Carried Unanimously.**

### **Award of Stanley Park Pay Tennis Concession**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated January 18, 2002 recommending that the Board award the Stanley Park Pay Tennis Concession to Gayle Dobson and Gordon Cheng for the 2002 season, to be renewed annually for the 2003 - 2005 seasons by mutual consent of the Board and the Operators.

Moved by Commissioner McDiarmid,

- A) THAT the Board award the Stanley Park Pay Tennis Concession to Gayle Dobson and Gordon Cheng for the 2002 season, to be renewed annually for the 2003 - 2005 seasons by mutual consent of the Board and the Operators.**
- B) 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.**
- C) 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 authorised to execute and deliver such documentation on behalf of the Board.**

**- Carried Unanimously.**

### **Award of Non-Motorised Water Sports Concession at English Bay**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated January 18, 2002 recommending that the Board grant approval to Ocean West Expeditions Ltd to operate a non-motorised water sports concession at English Bay Beach for 2002-2004.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson,

- A) **THAT Ocean West Expeditions Ltd. be granted approval to operate a non-motorised water sports concession at English Bay Beach for 2002-2004.**
- B) **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.**
- C) **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 authorised to execute and deliver such documentation on behalf of the Board**

**- Carried Unanimously.**

### **MoreSports Project in Vancouver East District**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated January 15, 2002 recommending that the Board receive the report for information.

Moved by Commissioner Richardson,

**That the Board receive the attached staff report for information.**

**- Carried Unanimously.**

### **Enquiries, Other Matters And New Business**

- Comments regarding the design for the Victory Square Lighting Project will be taken under consideration.

- There are many people who are concerned with regard to the death of White Wings, the dolphin at the Vancouver Aquarium.

- The recent Provincial announcements with regard to the restructuring of some of the Ministries could affect some of the Board's Community Centre Associations' programs i.e. child care, Park Board staff will work with Ministry staff to determine potential impact on service.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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Susan Mundick

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Commissioner Clarence Hansen

General Manager

Chair