CULTURE & RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, September 10, 2003 7:00 pm

Attendance: Commissioner Lyndsay Poaps (Chair)

Commissioner Heather Deal Commissioner Suzanne Anton Commissioner Eva Riccius

Commissioner Loretta Woodcock

Liane McKenna - Director, Queen Elizabeth District

Lori MacKay - Director, VanEast District

Terry Walton - Recreation Manager, Stanley District

Cheryl Innes - Recorder

Regrets: Commissioner Al DeGenova

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Culture & Recreation Committee meeting held on Wednesday, May 14, 2003. *Adoption of Minutes Moved by* - Heather Deal *Seconded by* - Lyndsay Poaps

DISCUSSION:

1. <u>UPDATE ON BEACH VOLLEYBALL PROPOSAL - Tom Caverley, Volleyball BC</u>
Tom Caverley updated the committee on the statistics of volleyball and the history of beach volleyball. Beach Volleyball has a need for more courts and asks the committee for help in finding an outdoor volleyball facility. Tom would like to be included in the upcoming waterfront study meeting. Discussion was held about the Volleyball BC organization and Heather Deal suggested that locations other than beaches may be possible. Tom will meet with staff and return November 5.

2.	COMMUNITY GARDEN POLICY - Lori MacKay	
	Delegates:	Gavin Ross, Urban Diggers
	_	Don Buchanan, Stanley Park Community Garden
		Michelle Hoar, Strathcona/Cottonwood Community Garden Society
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A presentation was made by Lori MacKay on the existing policy and practices of community gardens (see attachments). It was suggested that license renewals for all the community gardens be brought to the Board in 2004 as a package report. Delegates from the Mt.Pleasant, Stanley Park and Strathcona community gardens spoke on their current successes and concerns. Topics discussed included:

- a new minimum water & sewage charge issued by City Engineering to all community gardens
- signage stating the gardens are public
- possibilities for building structures (tool sheds)

Don Buchanan invited the commissioners and staff to the opening day of the Stanley Park Community Garden on Saturday, September 20th @ 2 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 1, 2003 7:00 p.m. at 2099 Beach Avenue