

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
HELD AT THE PARK BOARD OFFICE
ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2004**

PRESENT :	Chair	- Anita Romaniuk
	Vice-Chair	- Loretta Woodcock
	Commissioners	- Suzanne Anton
		- Allan De Genova
		- Eva Riccius
	General Manager	- Susan Mundick
	Director of Planning and Operations	- Piet Rutgers
	Director of Queen Elizabeth District	- Liane McKenna
	Manager of Revenue Services	- Philip Josephs
	Manager of Planning and Research	- Mark Vulliamy
	Strategic Planner	- Tilo Driessen
	VanDusen Garden Director	- Jill Cherry
	Manager of Communications	- Joyce Courtney
	Recorder	- Julie Casanova

Commissioner Poaps sent her regrets as she was attending a conference in Barcelona.

In-Camera Meeting :

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:

- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Board considers that disclosure might reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;
- (i) the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

In-Camera Session

Moved by Commissioner Deal,

That the Board reconvene the in-camera session later in the evening after the regular meeting.

- Carried Unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, July 19, 2004 were adopted as circulated.

Minutes of the special meeting of the Board held on Wednesday, July 21, 2004 were adopted as circulated.

CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair reported that the summer was busy with various events being held around the city. Some of the Board members attended events such as :

- Kits Beach bash;
- Pride Parade;
- Canadian Lawn Bowling Championships;
- Monsters in the Meadow;
- Mt Pleasant pool party;
- Vancouver Soccer Club reception;
- Victory Square Celebration on Labour Day;
- opening of the new Cob house and popcorn stand in Stanley Park;
- return of the salmon festival;
- Dickens multi-cultural picnic.

Finance Committee - the next meeting will be on Monday, September 27, 2004. The committee will be discussing the 2005 Budget Development, 2004 Budget Review, Vancouver Rowing Club Parking Lot - Renewal of Sub Lease and a financial proposal for the Queen Elizabeth Park Project.

Planning and Environment Committee - the next meeting will be on Thursday, September 23, 2004. The agenda will cover discussions on Nelson Park and an update on artificial field sites, water conservation and the Riley/Hillcrest Master Plan.

Culture and Recreation Committee - next meeting will be on October 6, 2004.

Council Report

Council deferred the Sport Hosting report to the meeting on September 28 and the report to increase the Development Cost Levy in Downtown South was approved.

PRESENTATION

Cheque Presentation

Dr. George Price, Chair, BC Rehab and Walt Lawrence advised the Board of their organization's goal to enhance accessibility in Stanley Park. BC Rehab in partnership with Rock 101 initiated the project to make the trail around Beaver Lake accessible to wheelchairs. The aim is to have the trail around Beaver Lake to join the seawall. Dr. Price made a commitment in the amount of \$50,00 toward the cost of this project.

Board members thanked the delegation for their generous donation and their efforts to make Stanley Park more accessible.

DELEGATIONS

Float Plane Temporary Location

Commissioner De Genova left the room on a conflict of interest .

The following delegations from the Coal Harbour community requested to speak to the Board with regard to the Float Plane Temporary Location:

- Al Weisman
- Glen Patterson
- Roy Rauser
- 3 additional members

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

- commend Board on providing excellent parks and recreation services;
- concerned with the process regarding the float plane terminal relocation;
- city should move the terminal away from residential area;
- would like the Board to endorse the delegations' request to move the float plane terminal;
- float plane traffic is growing and the fumes and noise pollutes the area;
- the Park Board has a duty and obligation to protect the park;
- city should consider moving the terminal to east of Canada Place.

Board members thanked the delegation for their presentation and stated that the application will be heard by the Development Permit Board.

Commissioner De Genova returned to the meeting at this point.

VanDusen Botanical Garden Association Memorandum of Understanding

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 8, 2004 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A and B.

Nancy Dickson, Chair Capital Campaign and Margie Knox, President VanDusen Botanical Gardens Association provided an up date on their capital campaign efforts and the funds raised. Board members viewed the video which highlighted VanDusen Garden and the plans for capital improvements. This video will be used as a tool for the fund raising campaign.

Board members thanked the delegation and commended them on their excellent work in fund raising. The MOU is a good step forward and hope it will allow the VBGA to go out to give comfort to the donors that the Park Board stands behind them. A member of the Board was concerned with the first clause in the MOU and would prefer that it clearly states that there is no financial commitment in the capital plan.

Moved by Commissioner Riccius,

- A. In support of the Capital Campaign to raise funds for improvements to the VanDusen Botanical Garden (VBG)(the Project) the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation (VPB) approve in principle the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the VanDusen Botanical Garden Association (VBGA).**

- B. That staff report back on a detailed implementation plan for Board approval.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Vending Machine and Products Supply Agreement with Dairyland Fluid Division Ltd.

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 7, 2004 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A to D.

Staff advised the Board that Dairyland offered to place Milk to Go vending machines in community centres. The community centres are supportive of this program and Dairyland has guaranteed a yearly payment of \$1,300 per centre if placed in a facility. The Board will receive \$300 for increased utility costs.

Board members stated that it was important to have choices which are more nutritional and if this proves to be successful, local suppliers should be considered in the future.

Moved by Commissioner Deal,

- A. THAT the Board approve a master agreement with Dairyland Fluid Division Ltd for five years to install and supply milk vending machines in community centres and other Park Board buildings, thereby enabling these facilities to enter into one year agreements with Dairyland, with four one year options, subject to the consent of both parties.**
- B. THAT the remuneration paid by Dairyland be \$1,300.00 per annum for each vending machine.**
- C. THAT no legal rights shall arise and no consents, permissions, or licences 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 to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services for the City of Vancouver.**
- D. THAT once the form of all legal documentation has been approved by the General Manager and the 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.

Vancouver School Board - Letter of Agreement to Extend Use of a Portion of Sunset Park

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 3, 2004 recommending that the Board authorize the General Manager to sign a Letter of Agreement with the Board of School Trustees of School District #39 (Vancouver) extending the lease of a portion of Sunset Park for an additional 3 years to June 30, 2007 under the same terms and conditions.

Staff advised the Board that the agreement is being extended for three years as the site will be reviewed as part of the move of Sunset Community Centre to the new site.

Moved by Commissioner Anton,

THAT the Board authorize the General Manager to sign a Letter of Agreement with the Board of School Trustees of School District #39 (Vancouver) extending the lease of a portion of Sunset Park for an additional 3 years to June 30, 2007 under the same terms and conditions.

- Carried Unanimously.

Extension of Lease with BC Building Corporation for Buildings and Facilities at the Jericho Hill Centre

Staff report dated September 8, 2004 recommending that the Board approve and authorize the General Manager to enter into a five year extension of the existing leases for the Jericho Hill Centre Cafeteria Building, gymnasium and playing field with the British Columbia Building Corporation.

Staff advised the Board that Park Board leases three buildings from BC Building Corporation which is used by West Point Grey Community Centre Association and other community based activities.

Board members enquired about the status of the needs assessment study. Staff advised that a meeting with the West Point Grey Association is being planned as there is a fundamental rethink of the needs at the community level.

Moved by Commissioner Woodcock,

- A. THAT the Board approve and authorize the General Manager to enter into a 5 year extension of the existing leases to August 31, 2009 for the Jericho Hill Centre Cafeteria Building, gymnasium and playing field with the British Columbia Building Corporation under the terms and conditions described in this report.**

B. THAT the General Manager be authorized to sign the appropriate lease documents on behalf of the Board.

- Carried Unanimously.

Enquiries

Board members requested a follow up on correspondence received with regard to off leash dogs at Hadden Park and the role of officers on All Terrain Vehicle at the beach. Staff advised the Board that the primary role of police officers was to prevent fires, ensure public safety and discourage drugs and alcohol on the beach.

In-Camera Session

Moved by Commissioner Woodcock,

THAT the Board reconvene the in-camera session.

- Carried Unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Susan Mundick
General Manager

Commissioner Anita Romaniuk
Chair