

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
HELD AT THE ROUNDHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2004**

PRESENT :	Chair	- Anita Romaniuk
	Vice-Chair	- Loretta Woodcock
	Commissioners	- Suzanne Anton
		- Heather Deal
		- Allan De Genova
		- Eva Riccius
		- Lyndsay Poaps
		- Susan Mundick
	General Manager	- Piet Rutgers
	Director of Planning and Operations	- Liane McKenna
	Director of Queen Elizabeth District	- Jim Lowden
	Director of Stanley District	- Anita Ho
	Director of Corporate Services	- Joyce Courtney
	Manager of Communications	- Julie Casanova
	Recorder	

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on Monday, October 4, 2004 were adopted as circulated.

Chair's Report

The Chair advised that some of the Board members attended several events over the last week:

- shrub planting and garbage clean up along the east of Cambie Bridge organised by the American Bar Association and SPEC;
- the opening of the new wheelchair accessible trail jointly funded by BC Rehab and radio station Rock 101;

The Chair invited the community to participate in the upcoming 2 open houses on South East False Creek Design.

Council Report

Council will be reviewing the following at its meeting:

- a motion regarding connecting McBride Park and traffic calming measures;
- a report to Council to endorse a planning program for Oakridge mall area.
- request for approval of a special event for a Santa Claus Parade;

- request to put on a First Night event in Library Square, CBC Plaza and QE Plaza;
- request for a Celtic Fest in the Granville mall area, a parade and street fair for March 2005;
- will consider a grant of \$50,000 to plan a maritime theme event called Sea Vancouver for July 2005;
- a report on water conservation measures, with a recommendation to meter Park Board facilities.

Open Question Period

- Rick Hurlbert from Bent Events questioned why Roundhouse and Coal Harbour Community Centres are required to close at midnight. They are unable to use the community centre for events that may run past midnight. Staff advised that the neighbourhood submitted a petition to City Council with regard to the late night noise and in consideration of the neighbourhood concerns the decision was made for these community centres to close at midnight. Board members suggested that the delegation may wish to present his concerns to the Culture and Recreation Committee for a fuller discussion.

Sandra Martin Lee would like to Board to increase the enforcement of off leash dogs at Lorne and May Brown Park. Board members asked Ms. Martin Lee to contact staff who are working on this issue.

Walter, a senior who swims at the Vancouver Aquatic Centre wondered why they could not continue to use Second Beach Pool until September. Staff advised the Board that the Vancouver Aquatic Centre is closed for maintenance in August and patrons are requested to use the outdoor pool at Second Beach which closes on Labour Day in September during the closure.

Isabella Grant, Principal of Elsie Roy Elementary School located next to the Roundhouse Community Centre thanked staff of the Board for working with her and the parents regarding the use of David Lam Park for school purposes. The Chair advised the Ms. Grant that the Park Board will be meeting with the School Board with regard to shared use of facilities.

The Chair invited the community to participate in the Budget Open House on October 28 at Trout Lake Community Centre.

Bylaw Repeal

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 17, 2004 recommending that the Board repeal the Freedom of Information and Privacy By-law enacted by the Park Board on October 24, 1988.

In 2003 the Board enacted the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy By-law based on amendments to the Freedom of Information and Protection Act of British Columbia and as such the 1988 bylaw is no longer required.

Moved by Commissioner Woodcock,

THAT the Board repeal the Freedom of Information and Privacy By-law enacted by the Park Board on October 24, 1988.

- Carried Unanimously.

Bequest from the Estate of Charles Franklin Moore

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 29, 2004 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A to C.

Staff advised that their recommendation was to use a portion of the money from the bequest for a project related to the donor's interest and to create a legacy with this donation by setting up an endowment fund with the balance of the funds.

Board members thanked the family of Charles Franklin Moore for the generous donation.

Moved by Commissioner Deal,

- A. That the Board accept the bequest granted through the estate of Charles Franklin Moore.**
- B. That the Board approve the use of \$250,000 from the bequest to renovate the tennis courts at Lost Lagoon in Stanley Park.**
- C. That the balance of the donation be used to create an endowment fund for recreation activities in parks.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Queen Elizabeth Park Celebration Pavilion Project Funding

Board members received copies of a staff report dated September 29, 2004 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A and B.

Staff reviewed the business plan and funding for the project. The celebration pavilion will generate the revenue to repay the loan which is required to complete this project.

Board members thanked staff for coming up with an innovative method to fund this project.

Moved by Commissioner Woodcock,

THAT the Board:

- A. Approve a loan of \$1,400,000 from its reserve funds (\$200,000 from Bench Donation, \$200,000 from C. F. Moore Donation, \$50,000 from A. E. Mathers Donation and \$950,000 from Corporate Sponsorship) for the Queen Elizabeth Park Celebration Pavilion at an interest rate of 6% and that the loan be repaid from the revenues generated by the project.**
- B. For the Queen Elizabeth Park Celebration Pavilion project only, make an exception to Item A of the Corporate Sponsorship Guidelines.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee : There will be a budget open house on Thursday, October 28, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at Trout Lake Community Centre.

Planning and Environment Committee : next meeting is on November 2, the agenda will be available on the website. At its previous meeting the committee discussed the naming of the parksite at 8th and Fraser, the use of the fields at 37th and Oak by Ultimate players, update on the plan for Everett Crowley Park and the capital plan process.

Culture and Recreation Committee: the next meeting is on November 3, on the agenda will be a presentation by MoreSports, Joint Operating Agreement, Engine 374 . The committee at its previous meeting discussed the possibility of a kids museum, the

Community Association Conference and the possibility of a Canada Day celebration in Stanley Park and an approach to encourage alternate transportation.

By Laws

Moved by Commissioner Woodcock ,

THAT the 1988 by-law to repeal the Freedom of Information and Privacy By-law be given first reading.

- Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Woodcock,

THAT the 1988 by-law to repeal the Freedom of Information and Privacy By-law be given second and third readings.

-Carried Unanimously.

Enquiries, Other Matters and New Business

A member of the Board requested that the last two words in the second paragraph under Enquiries, Other Matters and New Business in the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on Monday, October 4, 2004 be changed from "indoor stadium" to 'practice facility'.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Susan Mundick
General Manager

Commissioner Anita Romaniuk
Chair