

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
HELD AT THE PARK BOARD OFFICE
ON MONDAY, MAY 14, 2007**

PRESENT:	Chair	- Ian Robertson
	Vice Chair	- Korina Houghton
	Commissioners	- Allan De Genova
		- Spencer Herbert
		- Heather Holden
		- Loretta Woodcock
	General Manager	- Susan Mundick
	Director of Vancouver East District	- Liane McKenna
	Director of Special Projects	- Jim Lowden
	Acting Director of Stanley District	- Bill Manning
	Manager of Revenue Services	- Philip Josephs
	Manager of Communications	- Joyce Courtney
	Recorder	- Julie Casanova

Commissioner Zlotnik was absent from the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on Monday, April 30, 2007 were adopted as circulated.

PRESENTATION

Walter Cosman, Director of Sales and Marketing, Granville Island Brewery presented a cheque in the amount of \$55,000 to the Stanley Park Restoration Fund. Mr. Cosman advised the Board that they had a campaign where five cents from every bottle of beer went towards the Stanley Park Restoration Fund.

The Chair thanked Mr. Cosman, the partners of Granville Island Brewery and everyone who contributed towards this campaign.

CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair reported that he attended the annual Volunteers' Dinner and Appreciation Night, the opening of the refurbished Kitsilano Basketball Courts and the redeveloped Pandora Park. Commissioner Herbert reported on the 10th Anniversary celebrations at the Roundhouse Community Arts and Recreation Centre.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks and Recreation Planning Committee: the Committee discussed West Point Grey Community Centre's fundraising and public consultation process, Pride Parade's application for a Beer Garden, a farmer's market as a pilot project for Connaught Park.

Parks and Recreation Finance Committee: the Chair of the Committee was absent from the meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

Theatre Under the Stars – Operating Agreement for 2007 to 2009

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 4, 2007 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A to D.

Staff advised the Board that the management at Theatre Under the Stars have reorganized and put plans in place to secure a stable financial future. A new entrance is planned to replace the kiosks and trailers used in past years.

James Cronk, President, Theatre Under the Stars (TUTS) appeared before the Board and stated that they now have a new Board and are focused on building a stronger more financially viable organization. They will be focusing on the marketing of the shows and the food concessions. TUTS is about family entertainment and training young people in theatre.

Board members discussed the report and were pleased to see the management at Theatre Under the Stars have plans in place for a successful season.

Moved by Commissioner Houghton,

- A. THAT the Board approve a three year operating agreement for the 2007 – 2009 seasons for Theatre Under the Stars (TUTS) to occupy the Malkin Bowl which will include a provision to sublet the venue subject to the approval of the General Manager;**
- B. THAT the Board approve the installation of a temporary new structure to incorporate patron admissions and concessions for food, beverages and merchandise with all details subject to the approval of the General Manager;**

- 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;**
- 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.

Donor Recognition Guidelines

This report was referred to the meeting of the Board on Monday, May 28, 2007.

Consultant Award – Ghost Train and Bright Nights in Stanley Park Events

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 2, 2007 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A and B.

Staff advised the Board that Mortal Coil Performance Society has been the Artistic Director for Bright Nights and the Halloween Ghost Train. They have extensive experience in working with professional performers nationally and internationally and have the vision and ability to provide the artistic experience for visitors.

Board members discussed the report and expressed support for the artistic events which are revenue generating. Families look forward to Bright Nights in Stanley Park and the Halloween Ghost Train.

Moved by Commissioner Herbert,

- A. THAT the Board award the consultant's contract for Artistic Director of the Stanley Park Hallowe'en Ghost Train and Bright Nights in Stanley Park to Mortal Coil Performance Society for a total fee of \$32,000 plus GST and disbursements as set out in this report;**
- B. THAT no legal rights shall arise hereby, and none shall arise until execution of the contemplated contract. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contract.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Sunrise Community Hall – License Agreement

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 2, 2007 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A to C.

Staff advised the Board that the Sunrise Community Hall was built in the early thirties and has provided recreational and rental opportunities to the community. The License Agreement will reflect the current operation of the Sunrise Community Hall which is used for recreational activities and rentals. Sunrise Community Association will provide the maintenance of the washrooms and care and custody of the building.

Board members supported the continued use of Sunset Community Hall by the Sunrise Community Association.

Moved by Commissioner Houghton,

- A. THAT the Board approve the License Agreement with Sunrise Community Association for the use of Sunrise Community Hall for five years from May 1, 2007 to April 20, 2012 at a nominal fee and under the terms identified in this report;**
- B. THAT once the agreement 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;**
- C. 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.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Stanley Park Restoration Plan – Consultant Agreement

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 7, 2007 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A and B.

Staff advised the Board that following the approval of the Stanley Park Restoration Plan, work to clear the blowdown areas will begin with the approval of the consultancy. A site supervisor will provide the balance of environmental protection and WCB worksafe procedures. Gait Enterprises Ltd. is being recommended to provide the field supervision of recovery and restoration work in Stanley Park.

Board members discussed the report and stated that they look forward to the commencement of the restoration work in Stanley Park .

Moved by Commissioner Houghton,

- A. THAT the Board retain Gait Enterprises Ltd. to provide daily on-site supervision of forestry crews and machinery engaged in the Stanley Park restoration project;**
- B. THAT no legal rights shall arise hereby, and none shall arise until execution of the contemplated contract. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contract.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Enquiries, Other Matters and New Business

A member of the Board enquired about the track and field facilities report. The General Manager advised the Board that staff will follow up to see if a report has been done and provide an update to the Board.

A member of the Board requested a report back on the possible flooding in the Fraser Valley and what Park Board plans were with regard to this possible crisis. The General Manager provided Board members with a copy of the press release issued by the City's Engineering Department which indicated that Vancouver is at minimal risk and will be on standby to help the neighbouring municipalities.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Commissioner Herbert put forward the following notice of motion:

THAT the Board reconsider its decision of January 29, 2007 regarding the starting date of construction for the new Trout Lake Rink.

In-Camera Meeting

Moved by Commissioner Houghton,

THAT the Board later this evening 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 Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;**

- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city if they were held in public.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Susan Mundick
General Manager

Commissioner Ian Robertson
Chair