

RECREATION, CULTURE, AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 12, 2017, at 7:00pm Salmon River Committee Room 4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

MINUTES

Present: Earl Erickson (Co-Chair) Councillor Blair Whitmarsh (Alternate Co-Chair)

Present:

Remi Camparmo, Diane Gendron, Michael Jackstien, Kate Ludlam, and Jonathan Wilkins

Staff:

Silisha Ali, Youth Recreation Programmer Nikole Longhi, Aquatic Programmer Al Neufeld, Manager - Parks Administration, Design & Development Kim Stepto, Recording Secretary Peter Tulumello, Acting Director - Recreation, Culture, and Parks Jason Winslade, General Manager - Municipal Administration and Community Services

A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee - April 12, 2017

Moved by J. Wilkins, Seconded by R. Camparmo, That the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the agenda items of the April 12, 2017 meeting. **CARRIED**

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee – March 8, 2017

Moved by K. Ludlam, Seconded by M. Jackstien, That the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the March 8, 2017 meeting. CARRIED

The agenda order was varied.

F. WORK PROGRAM

1. Aldergrove Credit Union Community Centre

J. Winslade provided an update on the progress of the community centre.

He commented that this is a new Township recreation facility that will complement, not duplicate, the existing recreation facilities in the community.

He noted the goals and rationale for the new centre as follows:

- Centralize the Township's recreation offerings and municipal resources in East Langley.
- Replace the Aldergrove Outdoor Pool and enhance the year round aquatic opportunities for Aldergrove and the surrounding area's residents.
- Replace the Aldergrove Community Arena and reduce infrastructure maintenance costs, or the requirement for replacement facilities, in future years.
- Enhance the year-round recreation and fitness opportunities for Aldergrove and the surrounding area's residents.
- Display leadership in revitalizing the Aldergrove Downtown Core.
- Create a facility and an attraction to encourage Aldergrove to "play local":
 - Preschoolers
 - o Children
 - \circ Teens
 - Young adults
 - o Adults
 - \circ Seniors
 - o Families
 - Organized user groups
- Create a destination to attract people to visit the community of Aldergrove.
 - Demonstrate leadership in sustainable facility practices:
 - Water conservation
 - Solid waste and recycling
 - o Energy
 - Alternative transportation
- Upgrade existing transportation and pedestrian infrastructure.

Jason provided drawings and plans of all of the features of the community centre, which will include:

- Arena
- Fitness centre
- Multipurpose rooms
- 6 lane pool
- Leisure pool
- Hot tub
- Play area
- Lazy river
- Water park
- Wave pool

F. WORK PROGRAM

Timeline for the project:

- Ground-breaking was February 3, 2017
- 18-20 months construction, and 2-3 months commissioning

Targets:

- Pools and waterpark July long weekend, 2018
- Arena ice for Labour Day weekend, 2018

The agenda order then resumed.

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Youth Programs and Services

S. Ali provided a presentation on youth services in the Township. She provided the following information:

Youth Services Philosophy:

- Services in all communities
- Engage youth in program and service planning
- Remove barriers wherever possible
- Skill development opportunities
- Encourage health lifestyles
- Connect youth to services
- Increase awareness of services to youth
- Mentoring and leadership development

Current Goals:

- Engagement
- Culture change
- Partnerships
- Drop in vs. register programming
- Special events
- Community based programming

Future goals:

- Solidify existing partnership and create new ones
- Create a place in the community for youth
- Youth memberships
- Life skills programs
- Recreation leadership
- Aquatics school curriculum

D. <u>REPORTS</u>

1. Co-Chairperson's Report

Councillor Whitmarsh commented that the Dale Ball Passive Park naming was a great event and the family was very appreciative.

E. Erickson reported the following:

- He attended the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.
- He attended the BRCPA Symposium in Kelowna where the theme was "Reconnecting with Nature". The Key Note Speaker spoke on the impact of nature on our physical and mental health.
- The BCRPA has been assigned to administer grants to 4000 after school recreation programs in the province.
- The City of Kelowna presented their Healthy City Strategy.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. WORK PROGRAM

2. Joint Committee Meeting

The location for the meeting in May is the Surrey Arts Centre where the committee will have a tour of the facility and then conduct their meeting in one of the meeting rooms.

Tuesday, May 9 – 6:30pm.

3. Canada Day Events

P. Tulumello reported that the Township has received a \$13,000 Federal Grant for the Willoughby and Fort Langley Canada Day events. The Township has also received a \$30,000 Canada 150 Grant which will help fund a public art piece that involves a photo booth and a First Nation's artist who will create a mosaic from the photos.

The amphitheatre in Willoughby Park will be unveiled on May 25 at 7:00pm.

5. Langley Awards Task Force

E. Erickson commented that this was a great event.

6. Langley Walk Task Force

R. Wallace reported that the organizing committee is working towards having 150 groups participate in the Walk. The Walk will take place Sunday, May 7 from 1:00 - 4:00pm.

F. WORK PROGRAM

7. Museum Advisory Group

K. Ludlam reported that the Langley Heritage Society funded the Museum's Heritage Fair for elementary school kids, and that the museum is looking for volunteers for Canada Day.

She also suggested that the RCPAC consider sending a representative to a cultural conference in 2018, instead of a recreation conference.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

N. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

Date:	May 9, 2017
Location:	Surrey Arts Centre
	13750-88 Avenue, Surrey, BC
Time:	6:30pm

O. <u>TERMINATE</u>

Moved by R. Camparmo, Seconded by D. Gendron, That the meeting terminate at 9:06pm. CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Community Representative Co-Chair

Council Representative Co-Chair