# HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

## POINT PLEASANT PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES April 9, 2009

PRESENT: Councillor Sue Uteck

Ms. Lisa Olie Mr. Don Awalt

Ms. Gerrie Masters Mr. Duncan Morum Mr. Phillip Read Mr. Harald Norve Ms. Kate Greene Mr. Douglas Keefe Mr. Bernard Badley

Honorary Member: Ms. Janet Kitz

ABSENT: Mr. Paul Doane (with regrets)

STAFF: Mr. Stewart MacMillan, Landscape Architect, Infrastructure & Asset

Management

Mr. Stephen Rice, Supervisor - Major Parks

Mr. Peter Bigelow, Manager, Real Property Planning

Ms. Sandra T. Riley, Legislative Assistant

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m.

New members Mr. Don Awalt, Ms. Lisa Olie, Mr. Douglas Keefe, and Mr. Bernard Badley were introduced to the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

2. <u>APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR</u> (For the Term of April 2009 - April 2010)

The Legislative Assistant assumed the position of Chair for the voting process. As there were two nominations for the position of Chair, a secret ballot was taken with the following result:

MOVED By Councillor Uteck, seconded by Mr. Don Awalt, that Ms. Gerrie Master be appointed Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee for the term of April 2009 until April 2010. MOTION PUT AND PASSED

Ms. Masters, as the new Chair of the PPPAC, called for nominations of Vice-Chair.

MOVED By Councillor Uteck, seconded by Mr. Bernard Badley, that Mr. Duncan Morum be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee for the term of April 2009 until April 2010. MOTION PUT AND PASSED

#### 3. MEETING DATES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR

The 2009 meeting schedule for the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee was before the members for their approval. After a discussion of possible meeting time change, the Committee approved the 2009 schedule with the amendment to remove August.

MOVED BY Ms. Kate Greene, seconded by Mr. Phillip Read, that the 2009 meeting schedule for the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee be approved, as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

#### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -** October 09, 2008

MOVED by Mr. Duncan Morum, seconded by Mr. Phillip Read, that the minutes of October 09, 2008 be approved, as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED

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# 5. <u>APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS:</u>

#### Additions:

- 9.1 Point Pleasant Park where it fits in to the Budget Process Phillip Read
- 9.2 Updates from Peter Bigelow, Manager, Real Property Planning
- 9.3 Mi'kmag and Amtoukati handout presented by Mr. Don Awalt
- 9.4 Orientation for New Members

MOVED BY Mr. Duncan Morum, seconded by Mr. Bernard Badley, that the order of business be approved, as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED

#### 6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

- 6.1 Update on Teleconferencing
- 6.2 Hard copies of the PPP Comprehensive Plan for new members Peter Bigelow
- 6.3 Re-visit the Volunteer Program
- 6.4 The Park Information Cards to be distributed to the Committee Peter Bigelow
- 6.5 Off-leash Status discussion (follow up from October 2008 meeting)
- 6.6 Revision of the Terms of Reference discussion (Gerrie Masters and Kate Greene)
- 6.7 Feedback on the Construction Quality of the Kiosks update
- 6.8 Discussion of the Showing Ceremony Councillor Uteck
- 6.9 Quorum for the Committee discussion

The above items have all been deferred to the next meeting of the PPPAC on May 14, 2009.

#### 7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - NONE

#### 8. REPORTS

## 8.1 Councillor Uteck - Barbecue Appreciation Event for Park Employees

Councillor Uteck advised that she would like to hold a barbecue to thank the Park staff, including Allan Robertson, for all the work they have done (won the National Award). She further advised that it would be a good opportunity to educate the public. She stated that she would advertise and find sponsors for the event; sometime in mid June. She advised the Committee that she would work with Stephen Rice on this project.

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#### 9. ADDED ITEMS

#### 9.1 Point Pleasant Park - where it fits in to the Budget Process - Phillip Read

To be brought forward to the next meeting of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee on May 14, 2009. Councillor Uteck will give a brief update.

#### 9.2 Updates from Peter Bigelow, Manager, Real Property Planning

Mr. Bigelow gave the Committee brief updating on the following items, advising that:

- Point Pleasant Park Comprehensive Park won the National Honours Award from the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects
- Signage in the Park The Contractor is expected to finish the project in early June
- HRM Staff will be coming in with solar panels to deliver light to the display cases A
  number of other groups are assisting in what the contents of these display cases
  shall be
- Fall planting last year (100,000 trees). No Spring seedling planting this year as waiting for results from Fall planting to assess where augmenting is needed
- The Legion will do fundraising, the Admirals office will lend assistance, and HRM will offer an Engineer for the restoration of the Bonaventure Anchor. The missing names of lost seaman will be added to the Anchor
- Parks Canada doing an interpretive installation at Martello Tower in May
- Slowly moving trees to proper locations over the next year and a half
- Sea Kayak rental for Black Rock Beach previously discussed put a hold until next year

A discussion ensued with Staff answering the questions posed by the Committee.

### 9.3 Mi'kmaq and Amtoukati - handout presented by Mr. Don Awalt

The Committee thanked Mr. Awalt for his work on the history of the Mi'kmaq and Amtoukati. The Committee will take the opportunity to review this material as it was circulated at the commencement of the meeting.

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#### 9.4 Orientation for New Members

The Chair, Gerrie Masters, requested this item be put on the next agenda of May 14, 2009. This orientation will include things such as:

- An overview of the Comprehensive Plan
- The former role of the PPPAC and the one that's proposed
- Mi'kmag and Point Pleasant Park (Don Awalt)
- How to schedule use of the Park
- What the penalties are for off-leash
- Projects currently under way in the Park (Peter Bigelow)
- A list of who to call for specific queries; a 'who's who'

#### 10. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee is scheduled for May 14, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. at Shakespeare-by-the-Sea building, lower parking lot.

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair proposed, on behalf of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee, to thank Mr. Robertson for his time as Chair. She advised that she would send him a note to that effect.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Sandra T. Riley Legislative Assistant