

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

POINT PLEASANT PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOTES

November 10, 2011

PRESENT:

Mr. Duncan Morum (Chair)
Mr. Don Awalt (Vice Chair)
Ms. Nancy Vanstone
Mr. Robert Apold
Ms. Teresa Piorkowski

REGRETS:

Mr. Dale Smith
Mr. Richard Tilley
Ms. Lisa Olie
Ms. Katrina Leckovic
Councillor Sue Uteck

STAFF:

Mr. Brian Phelan, Supervisor of Parks and Open Spaces
Mr. Stephen Rice, Supervisor, Major Parks
Mr. John Charles, Infrastructure & Planning
Ms. Andrea MacDonald, Manager, Animal & Taxi Limousine Services
Ms. Julie Vandervoort, Legislative Support

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 13, 2011

As there were insufficient Committee members for quorum, the minutes could not be approved.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

The Committee decided to briefly discuss some of the agenda items.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES / STAFF UPDATES

4.1.1 Enforcement of By-law A-300 – Respecting Animals and Responsible Pet Ownership – Update

The Chair asked Mr. John Charles, Planner, if he wished to speak to the Committee on this item. Mr. Charles stated that he preferred to give his presentation at a future meeting when the Committee had quorum.

4.1.2 Shilling Ceremony

The Chair noted that he had received a message from Councillor Uteck that she would obtain an update on this matter.

4.2 Staff Updates

Mr. Stephen Rice, Supervisor of Major Parks, provided an update on the Volunteer in the Park (VIP) program, stating that the new registration form is available and the program is ready for participants. Mr. Brian Phelan, Superintendent of Parks and Open Spaces, added that he had received one inquiry about the program and was following up. The Chair noted that press releases have been sent about the program.

Mr. Rice and Mr. Phelan also provided updates on the transition to winter work in the Park, the storm and snow management plans, the strategy to minimize replacement of crusher dust on some roads and paths, repairs to culverts, and improvements to lighting.

5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - NONE

6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Correspondence - None

6.2 Petitions - None

6.3 Presentations - None

7. REPORTS

7.1 Committee Members

7.1.1 Attendance – Chair

The Chair informed the Committee that Mr. Dale Smith had offered to resign as he had missed the previous three meetings and this one. The Chair added that he was waiting for clarification from the Legislative Attendant on the application of the rule governing attendance.

7.1.2 Volunteers in the Park

This item was dealt with under 4.2, above.

7.2 Staff

7.2.1 Proposed 2012 Meeting Schedule

The Chair drew the Committee's attention to the proposed 2012 schedule attached to the agenda package. The Committee decided to finalize this item at a future meeting when there is quorum.

8. ADDED ITEMS - NONE

9. NEXT MEETING DATE – December 8, 2011

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

Julie Vandervoort

Legislative Support