



**POINT PLEASANT PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 1, 2014**

PRESENT: Mr. Duncan Morum, Chair
Councillor Waye Mason
Ms. Paula Minnikin
Mr. Peter Duinker
Ms. Helen Sinclair
Ms. Annette Hartt
Mr. Will Gregory

REGRETS: Mr. Don Awalt, Vice Chair
Ms. Nancy Vanstone

STAFF: Mr. Stephen Rice, Supervisor of Major Parks
Mr. Darcy Warren, Legislative Support

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 16:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned at 17:15 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 16:30 p.m., with Councillor Mason acting as Chair, in the Office and Maintenance Building, Point Pleasant Park.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 6, 2014

The following changes were noted in the minutes of February 6, 2014:

- Ms. Hartt was present at the February meeting.
- Change the spelling of Minniken to Minnikin

MOVED by Ms. Minnikin seconded by Mr. Duinker that the minutes of February 6, 2014 be approved as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

- 8.1 Meeting Schedule
- 8.2 Play ground

MOVED by Mr. Duinker, seconded by Ms. Hartt that the agenda be amended as presented. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

6.1 Correspondence

6.1.1 Ms. Anne West – dated March 25, 2014

6.1.2 Ms. Candice Malcolm – dated March 25, 2014

A short discussion ensued regarding item 6.1.1 and 6.1.2. It was agreed that there is not much that the Committee can do regarding dogs in the park. It was agreed that more enforcement of the by-laws is needed.

6.1.3 Mr. Todd Scott – dated March 30, 2014

This item was deferred until the next regular meeting.

6.1.4 Ms. Doris Balch – dated March 3, 2014

6.2 Petitions - None

6.3 Presentations

6.3.1 Artist in Residence Program – Sarah Burwash

Mr. Jamie Maclellan, Community and Recreation, introduced Ms. Sarah Burwash to the Committee as artist in residence.

Ms. Burwash informed the Committee that she will be spending the next several weeks creating a series of park-based installations called “Gates of Sojourn”, to encourage visitors to access the park in new and exciting ways.

Ms. Burwash stated that members are invited to attend open houses every Wednesday from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. She also stated that June 21, 2014 would be the end date.

Mr. Morum entered the meeting at 16:45 p.m.

7. REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS

7.1 STAFF

7.1.1 Update from Mr. Stephen Rice, Supervisor of Major Parks

Mr. Rice updated the Committee on the following:

- Seasonal staff will begin working within the next few weeks.
- Fifty thousand dollars has been approved in the Capital Budget for the Mi’kmaq Warrior Memorial
- Five hundred thousand dollars has been ear marked for the restoration of the stone wall surrounding the park in the 2015-2016 Capital Budget.

Ms. Sinclair questioned the terms and conditions when using the park. Mr. Rice responded that the contract, terms and conditions can be found on the website.

Ms. Minnikin expressed concern that maintenance vehicles are driving too fast throughout the park.

7.2 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

7.2.1 Shilling Ceremony

It was noted that Mr. Windsor has resigned from the Committee, leaving a lead role in the Shilling Ceremony. Mr. Morum informed those present that the tentative date for the ceremony is June 24, 2014.

It was decided that Mr. Morum would gather the information used at last year's ceremony and divide sections between the Committee Members to ensure that the Shilling Ceremony will take place.

7.2.2 PPP Comprehensive Long Term Plan and By-Law Review

Mr. Duinker informed the Committee that he had walked the woods throughout the park and found that it was in good condition. He questioned if any progress has been taken regarding the request for information at the February 6, 2014 meeting. Councillor Mason responded that he would take the requests to Community Council on Tuesday May 6, 2014, and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

7.2.3 Reinstatement of Park Volunteers

No update at this time.

7.2.4 Off Leash

This item was dealt with in Item 6.1.2

7.2.5 Mi'kmaq Warrior Memorial

This item was dealt with in Item 7.1.1

7.2.6 Communications

7.2.7 Yearly Priorities – Progress to date

8. ADDED ITEMS

8.1 Meeting Schedule

Discussion ensued regarding the meeting schedule.

MOVED by Mr. Morum, seconded by Mr. Duinker that Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee request Community Council to revise the Terms of Reference to reflect bi-monthly meetings beginning in September 2014. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.2 Playgrounds

Councillor Mason informed the Committee that he has money from his capital budget to have an installation of a new playground.

MOVED by Ms. Minnikin, seconded by Mr. Morum that Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee initiate a site plan for the installation of a playground in the park, to be brought back to the Committee for approval.

Mr. Duinker expressed concern that a playground should be sited in a well shaded area in the park.

Ms. Minnikin stated that she would like the site plan to be brought back to the Committee for approval. The Committee agreed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9. IN CAMERA - None

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – June 5, 2014

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 17:15 p.m.

Mr. Darcy Warren
Legislative Support