



**POINT PLEASANT PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
September 4, 2014**

PRESENT                    Mr. Duncan Morum, Chair  
                                 Mr. Don Awalt, Vice Chair  
                                 Ms. Helen Sinclair  
                                 Ms. Nancy Vanstone  
                                 Mr. Peter Duinker

REGRETS:                 Ms. Annette Hartt  
                                 Councillor Waye Mason  
                                 Ms. Paula Minnikin

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

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*The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m., and the Committee adjourned at 5:45 p.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Office and Maintenance Building, Point Pleasant Park.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 1, 2014**

**MOVED by Mr. Duinker, seconded by Ms. Sinclair that the minutes of May 1, 2014 be approved as presented. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

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

Additions:

- 8.1 Requests to Halifax and West Community Council
- 8.2 Halterm

**MOVED by Ms. Vanstone, seconded by Mr. Duinker that the agenda be approved as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE**

**5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE**

**6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS - NONE**

**6.1 Correspondence**

**6.1.1 Point Pleasant Park Re: Washrooms**

Correspondence dated August 12, 2014 from Ms. Mary Wilkie, regarding the state of the washrooms.

Mr. Awalt entered the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

A short discussion ensued on the correspondence received from Ms. Wilkie.

Mr. Rice responded that the cleaning of the bathrooms at the park is contracted out. He also stated that the outdoor toilets are pumped yearly or as necessary. All bathrooms are cleaned on a daily basis, with logs posted on the doors. Mr. Rice informed the Committee that any complaints should be directed to 311 in order to rectify the problem. He will contact the Clerk's Office to see if this has been completed, if not he will respond to Ms. Wilkie.

**6.2 Petitions - NONE**

**6.3 Presentations - NONE**

**7. REPORTS/DISCUSSION**

**7.1 STAFF**

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

Mr. Rice informed the Committee that there have been no major projects this season and maintenance as usual. He did note that there is some wear and tear on the kiosks and they have been cleaned up. There are concerns that the kiosks may start leaking and will have to look at doing maintenance on them.

A new on-line survey is underway by Halifax Regional Municipality regarding on and off leash, this survey is available until September 21, 2014.

The Committee agreed that the summaries from the Point Pleasant Park survey be forwarded to Mr. Bodicka, HRM Planner, to see if they can be incorporated into the survey currently taking place.

Ms. Sinclair expressed her concerns over the current artist in residence program at the park. She noted that it would be best if it were more interactive and aimed at the park and its surroundings. It was agreed that the Committee request Mr. MacLellan to make a presentation to the Committee before beginning the requests for proposals next season.

**7.2 COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**7.2.1 Shilling Ceremony**

It was noted that this ceremony did not take place this year. Ms. Sinclair suggested that the Shilling Ceremony should be incorporated into a day dedicated to celebrating the park. The Committee agreed to proceed with a Celebration of the Park Day, in which the Shilling Ceremony would be included. This would encourage more people to attend.

**7.2.2 PPP Comprehensive Plan and By-Law Review**

This item was deferred until Councillor Mason is able to attend the next meeting. The Committee agreed to request the Clerk's Office contact Councillor Mason to provide an update to them before the next meeting.

**Moved by Ms. Vanstone, seconded by Mr. Duinker that the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee request someone from staff to make a presentation on November 6, 2014 regarding the implementation to date on the recommendations contained in the Point Pleasant Park Comprehensive Plan. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

The Committee agreed to dedicate the majority of the November meeting to this item.

**7.2.3 Reinstatement of Park Volunteers**

No update at this time.

**7.2.4 Off Leash**

No update at this time.

**7.2.5 Mi'kmaq Warrior Memorial**

No update at this time.

**7.2.6 Communications**

No update at this time.

**7.2.7 Yearly Priorities - 2015**

Deferred to next regular meeting.

**8. ADDED ITEMS**

**8.1 Requests to Halifax and West Community Council**

**MOVED by Ms. Sinclair, seconded by Mr. Morum that Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee recommend that Halifax and West Community Council request a staff report to identify solutions to the major concerns as identified in the 2012 Point Pleasant Park Survey:**

1. Improve compliance of existing park rules particularly with respect to dogs and bike through the park;
2. enhanced enforcement (e.g. increased officer patrols to encourage compliance; and
3. increased awareness (e.g. signage )

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**8.2 Halterm**

Mr. Duinker noted that we no longer have a representative from Halterm. Mr. Duinker stated that he would contact them to inquire if someone else from Halterm would volunteer to sit on the Committee.

**9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – November 6, 2014**

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday November 6, 2014 in the Office and Maintenance Building, Point Pleasant Park.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Mr. Darcy Warren  
Legislative Support