



**Minoru Sports Pavilion  
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**Tuesday April 12, 2011**

Present: Jim Lamond(Chair), Barbara Norman, Danielle Hume, Annie Watson, Jeff Lightfoot, Tony Shaw, Terry Kehoe, Serj Sangara, Roger Barnes, Don Fennell, Michael Crawford, Ivan Wong, Donna Marsland, Dawne Tiller, Warren Karsgaard, Peter Mitchell. Councillor Bill McNulty.  
Eric Stepura, Sam Morizawa, Mike Romas, (City staff)

Regrets: Lance Carey, Gerry DeCicco, Don Fisher, Gary Rosval

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

1. Approval of minutes from March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Moved: Barb Norman, Seconded: Donna Marsland, Carried.

## **2. Council Report – Councillor Bill McNulty**

Councillor McNulty attended the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Kajaks at the Airport Inn and over 260 guests were present. Pleased that the Facility Task Force Needs Assessment is moving forward.

Maritime Festival will be held in August 2011 and the Tall Ships June 3-5, 2011 in Steveston both of which are well in hand with arrangements.

Councillor McNulty reported on a Community Safety meeting agenda item with regard to Criminal Record Checks and the proposed purchase of a finger printing machine to speed up the process. However, the RCMP stated that there was a compatibility issue and were taking a wait and see approach. Two of these machines could be purchased for a total of \$15,000 and hopefully would result in only a nominal fee for this type of criminal check to be completed. The target date is now January 2012 for these machines to be installed at the local RCMP detachment.

Jim committed to following up on this by forwarding a copy of the communication from Ottawa to the RCMP in regard to the purchase of these machines.

## **3. Guest – Alice Wong**

Councillor McNulty introduced Alice Wong and stated that through her endeavours infrastructure grants had been obtained together with funding towards the two artificial turf bowling greens. Alice Wong thanked everyone for inviting her to the meeting and emphasized that sport had always been a

large part of her life as she used to be a Phys Ed teacher in Hong Kong. Alice referred to the assistance with funding provided from her office and that she was always available to listen and be involved in negotiations to make things happen. Alice stressed the importance of a local voice being heard in Ottawa and announced that two sport incentives would be brought forward in regard to an adult sports tax credit in 2014 and doubling of the sports tax credit for children.

A question and answer period followed:

Annie Gymnastics require funding for a new facility and would like to discuss this with you.

Alice After May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Mike Aquatics have a national meet in Montreal, however it is a financial problem for kids to attend. What funding does the government have to assist with these kind of events?

Alice I cannot give you an answer off the top of my head but I will get back to you. I will talk to the Minister of Sport after May 2<sup>nd</sup>

Annie Could we look at the structure of the Own the Podium program as the development of future athletes needs to be addressed.

Alice I will look into this.

No further questions. Alice Wong left the meeting at 7:20 pm together with Councillor McNulty who had another engagement.

#### **4. Staff Update**

Eric provided information on the rebuilding of the soccer field at McMath which will be ready in September, the upgrading of the two basketball courts at Thompson to 4 on 4 courts and three tennis courts at Minoru will be upgraded.

#### **5. Sports Hosting Update**

Mike confirmed that Richmond had won the bid for hosting the 2012 Canadian Sports Alliance Congress which will be held April 18-20, 2011.

Task Force will be looking at expanding the grant guidelines to support more amateur sports in Richmond.

#### **6. KidSport**

Terry recognized the Steveston Athletic Association and their donation of \$1250 to KidSport.

Financial statements circulated for information and reviewed in detail by Terry. Applications are down so far this year. The Local Chapter of Telus donated \$12,500 to KidSport.

Sportschek have a new promotion of a \$1000 voucher to assist KidSport, please submit your interest to Terry via e.mail. Terry committed to sending out more details via e.mail.

Steveston Athletic Association were pleased to become a member of Richmond Sports Council and paid their \$10 membership fee. Round table introductions took place.

#### **7. Trust Fund – update to be provided at May meeting.**

## 8. Sports Awards Banquet

Don emphasized the need to submit nominations as quickly as possible. Tickets are being printed and reservations are being accepted with all proceeds going to KidSport.

## 9. Correspondence

Jim referred to the letter from the Richmond Olympic Oval which had been circulated in regard to rates being offered and the deadlines for these rates. Jim encouraged members to make their own bookings.

## 10. Round Table

- Roger Task Force Survey distributed to identify the sports group facilities requirements over the next 10 years with deadline for completion of survey by April 30, 2011. The Committee will then have a sense of priorities that need to be addressed. Roger reviewed the questions and asked that responses be as detailed as possible. Following the results of the survey, a report will go forward to Council after review by Sports Council members
- Roger Soccer update – Coastal Cup Championship will be held at Minoru and Richmond High April 30-May 1, 2011 covered by City TV and CKNW radio.
- Mike Asked if the survey would cover the assessment of private facilities, Jim responded No.
- Annie Provincial Gymnastics Championships held in Langley, club did very well in competition (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place). Gymnastics BC will be holding a 2012 Gymnastics Championship and are looking for a host. Annie to follow up with Mike Romas to see if this could be hosted at the Oval.
- Mike Richmond Rapids first week in May. Province wide meet at Watermania.
- Peter J Jimmy Ng Tournament May 28-29,2011.
- Serj Referred to letter from the Oval and Serj had worked out some stats in regard to baseball: 524 players equalled \$1697 per visit October 2010 thru March 2011. \$11,296 in rental fees. 20 players March 13, 2010 from 9 am to 9 pm. No portable batting cage allowed. Lots of kids had an opportunity to be visible.
- Danielle Any questions in regard to the letter from the Oval, to please e.mail using information provided in the letter. RACA meeting held and received feedback. Moving forward on an agreement with RACA for next year.
- Tony 18 teams in the Table Tennis Metro Vancouver Invitational at the Oval on March 13<sup>th</sup> and reached quarter finals.
- Warren Good feedback from the Oval. Latrace first game 3 weeks ahead of time. Brighthouse started last week 4 weeks ahead of time.
- Don Pacific International Cup bonspiel which takes place from April 20- 24 Incl. which involves teams from all of North America. Admission is free for all to attend and we welcome guests from near and far.
- Jeff Rmd Minor Hockey season over. Good coverage in newspaper. Provincial championship registration was up. Fees are up. AGM April 13 together with awards ceremony
- Barb Ice coming out at Minoru March 13<sup>th</sup>. Less turn around time due to new system installed thanks to Heineken. Sept. 1 – 4 Broomball championship. Families can now

attend due to licencing change. Ice at Oval 70 hours requested for next year. Arena Open House in August. Roller Derby April 30 and July 9<sup>th</sup>.

- Donna Pre season has started so fun begins...
- Ivan Opening April 23<sup>rd</sup> for summer season. Two training camps, one in May and one in August.
- Dawne Ladner/Delta Triathalon Race. Several members will be in Boston Marathon. Sockeye Spin.
- Jim Attended Richmond Communities meeting to promote the idea of the Richmond Community Games with regard to Sport for Life and there was a good response. Planning will start in the fall in preparation for the August 2012 event. Attended Connaught 100 year celebration.

No further business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

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Nora Wright  
Recording Secretary

**Next Meeting: Tuesday May 10, 2011**