Tuesday February 9, 2016

Present:

Jim Lamond (Chair), Gregg Wheeler(City staff), Tony Shaw, Bob Jackson, Terry Kehoe, Jack Hamilton, Don Fisher, Sam Morizawa (City staff), Tanya Donaldson, Ivan Wong, Warren Karsgaard, Kim Seaborn, Bill Shayler, Mike Fletcher, Don Fisher, John Braaten, Barb Norman, Noleen Mueller, Stu Corrigal, Tanya Foley, Mike Thorne, Jordan Mottl, Councillor Bill McNulty

Regrets: Sanjeet Sadana, Kathleen Wong, Donna Marsland

Meeting called to order at 7 pm

- 1. Approval of January 12, 2016 minutes Moved: Barb Norman, Seconded: Jack Hamilton, Carried.
- 2. Business arising Nil

3. **Staff Update**

Gregg referred to the repair of the sanitary line under Minoru 2 which had now been completed. However, in Minoru 3 adjacent to the tennis courts an 8 inch key watering pipe was presently pumping water.

The UROC awards which celebrate the achievement by youth will be held during the first week of May which is Youth Week and Gregg encouraged everyone to submit applications for youth that deserve recognition..

4. **Minoru Fields and Building Update** – no report

5. Wall of Fame

Bob confirmed that preliminary work on nominations had been completed and there had been 10 nominations plus the 40 from 2015. There had been a recommendation from the committee that the Builders category should be Coach and Athletes/Team to Pioneer category. There may be a need to go back to Council with the suggested changes. March 2nd will be the next Committee meeting. The council liaison to the committee is now Councillor Steves who has replaced Councillor Loo. Bob stated that no timelines had been set by the City this year which certainly helped the process.

Jim recognized Don Fennell and welcomed him to the meeting.

6. **Sport Hosting**

Tanya emphasized that grant funding is now available and encouraged everyone to submit their application by the deadline of April 30, 2016.

Tanya confirmed that a variety of bids were in the process of being prepared.

7. Creating Community Champions Gala Event

Bob reported that all tickets were sold out and there was a waiting list of 4 tables for the March 11, 2016 event. The MC would be Rob Fai and there would be 20 athletes for hosts representing a variety of sports.

8. Sports Awards

Terry emphasized the urgent need for nominations for the May 5, 2016 event. Nominations are to be submitted at the very latest by end February. Terry expressed his disappointment at the lack of support from Sports Council in submitting nominations and the need to get information out to the coaches and administrators. Richmond News are on board for this event together with a request for a representative to RSC.

9. **KidSport**

Bob confirmed that the AGM of this Committee was held on February 9, 2016 and Don Fisher will be replacing Gary Rosval. More committee members are also required and Bob asked that should anyone be interested to please let him know.

A grant from the City in the amount of \$19,000 had been approved. Applications have been made to other organizations for funding too which are still pending.

Bob drew attention to the outstanding cheques in the amount of \$4,000 and also confirmed that so far this year 28 applications have been received for funding.

- 10. **Trust Fund** no report.
- 11. **Correspondence** none.

12. Round Table and New Business

Bob:

• Jim and Bob had visited Gary Rosval in hospital and will visit again in a couple of weeks. Bob provided an update on Gary's health

Stu:

- Plans underway for Move for Health Week/Discover Your Sport May 6th
- There will be a Social media demo at the March meeting

Mike:

• Steelhead fishing/Goose season

 Sportstown closed and new venue not available until May or June. Need 3200 sq.ft warehouse space temporarily

Noleen:

- Rmd Gymnastics looking for space also as 7400 River Road relocation has been delayed
- Need temporary resources for training
- Both Rod and Gun Club and Rmd Gymnastics will be accommodated in River Road location once renovations are completed

Kim:

• Spring program rapidly filling up and will surpass 200

Jordan:

- Feb 20th RBC Training course free for 14-25 yrs with testing for qualification to progress in their sport. Application forms circulated previously via email
- Canadian Womens National Volleyball Team Oval will be their home in 2017
- Spring programs open and filling up fast

Terry:

- AGM held and Terry is no longer on the Executive
- Spring football registration underway

John:

- Baseball registration open and up 20% so far
- April 1st start up

Tony:

• Table Tennis Tournament at the Oval Jan 30th and was the best in 10 years. 50% of the participants were non Asian

Don:

• February 15th BC Senior Curling Championship hosted by Tim Hortons with 16 teams and over 200 volunteers

Donna:

- Rmd Minor Hockey awarded First Shift for 6-10 yrs old by Hockey Canada. \$199 cost includes equipment, ice time and coaching. Program starts April 2nd
- RACA now have new score clocks in the Arenas
- More Rink dividers installed
- Web cast cabling available
- New staff positions available
- March 20th Face Off Against Cancer tournament at the Ice Centre

Jack:

- Mens Rugby 2nd half of the season in full swing
- Looking forward to Intl. Tournament at BC Place 7 aside rugby this year
- New field excellent

Tanya:

- Getting ready for Spring/Summer Tennis season
- First week of May for the Spring opening
- Finalized Tennis BC for 54th Richmond Open

13. Council Update

Councillor McNulty provided the following information:

- Community grants approved in the total amount of \$824,655 with \$19,000 for KidSport
- Major festivals for 2016/2017 approved with all activities going through the 150 Committee of which Councillor McNulty is the Chair
- 2017 is Canada's 150th birthday and RSC asked to bring forward some ideas in celebration
- Phase 2 Facilities Development funds will be hard to come by for minor capital as there are many major capital projects pending
- Please invite Council members to RSC events to help raise awareness of strong commitment by the sports community

Bob thanked Councillor McNulty for his help in increasing KidSport grant by an additional \$2000.

Meeting adjourned at 8.05 pm with reminder from the Chair that the AGM would be held on March 8th and to please bring along the \$10 membership fee.

Jim also emphasized the need for nominations for the Sports Awards event.

Nora Wright Recording Secretary

Next meeting – March 8, 2016 AGM Followed by Regular RSC Meeting