

Tuesday January 12, 2021 Telephone/Video Conference call meeting

Attendance: Jim Lamond (Chair), Bob Jackson, Colin Elms, Don Fisher, Gordon Farrell, Stanley Yip, Robin Hughes, Rosemary Nickerson, Sean Handlin, Osmond Tsang, Lance Carey, Sonja Dong, Stu Corrigal,, Serj Sangara, Ivan Wong, Kim Jensen, Scott Stewart, Keegan Murphy, Kathleen Wong, Brent Lexier, Serj Sangara, Karen Fisher, Barry Riva, Councillor Bill McNulty, City Staff - Gregg Wheeler, Paul Morizawa

- 1. Call to order at 7.04 pm.
- 2 Approval of minutes from December 2020. Moved: Scott Stewaat, Seconded; Councillor Bill McNulty, Carried.
- 3. Business arising from minutes none.

4. Council Update

Councillor McNulty provided the following updates:

- No changes at City Hall with staff working from home. Public cannot come to City Hall
- Moving ahead with Lawn Bowling Club House with funds approved six years go. Consultations taking place with other societies and groups
- SPCA has taken over animal control and replaced RAPS
- Arson and murders in Richmond and everything under control at present
- Curling Club available for rentals with more details later in the minutes below.

5. **Staff Report**

Gregg Wheeler provided the following updates:

- Pickleball event held at Curling Club, lots of space available week days and weekends with COVID Safety Plan in place.
- PHO extended thru February 5th so no adult sport activities at present time. Up to 21 yrs of age skill development only. 3 metres of spacing between players. The update is that the newest PHO restrictions are amended to say that training for athletes 22 years and older is permitted at this time, but only like this:
 - Athletes age 22+ and Masters Athletes are only permitted to train in groups with a reduced number of participants:
 - Two people may engage in indoor sports with one another
 - Four people may engage in outdoor sports with one another.

Here is a link to support this info:

https://www.viasport.ca/news/january-7-2020-updates-province-wide-restrictions

- Field Allocation Policy City staff will be setting up a meeting January 20th to review policy and administrative procedures and process which would be the document used by City staff on a day to day basis. Annual meetings to be held in the future on thIS policy. All field user groups would be invited to the January 20th meeting following which a draft would be presented to the February 9th Sports Council meeting for endorsement. Field space standards would also be addressed.
- Facility Use Strategy to be developed in the next two weeks
- 6. **Wall of Fame** Councillor McNulty confirmed that a meeting had been arranged for January 27th at 7.00 pm
- 7. **Sports Awards** Jim announced that the 2019 and 2020 awards would be a combined event hopefully in 2021. Nominations to be submitted as soon as possible.

8. KidSport

Bob provided details as follows:

- 187 kids helped in 2020 compared to 339 in 2019.
- \$67,000 in grants in 2020

- Large decrease in number of kids participating in sports
- Enrolments must be down

9. **Announcements** (submitted via email)

The Richmond Curling club Curling season is suspended until Sept. 2021, due mainly to Covid 19 Provincial health regulations. We are however actively soliciting bookings for non ice activities an inquiries can be directed to Janice Froese, our Office and Business Development Manager who may be reached regularly during daytime hours. **604-278-1722**

We will be flexible as possible to work with any and all groups to provide space. We have a 19m square foot concrete floor and bookings can be made to the start of ice installation in the fall. (Our ice presently has been removed).

We also have the lounge space good for meetings/seminars/training sessions and are fully licensed.

Richmond Sports Council financials.

General chequing account balance as at Jan.12/21 \$3,059.90 Don Fisher, Treasurer.

9. Other Business

No further business

10. **Adjournment** at 7.25 pm

Jim Lamond, Chair	
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Nora Wright, Recorder	

Next virtual meeting - Tuesday February 9, 2021.