



Richmond Sports Council

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Tuesday March 13, 2012

Present: Jim Lamond(Chair), Peter Mitchell, Don Fisher, Barbara Norman, Bob Jackson, Annie Watson, Tony Shaw, Terry Kehoe, Gary Rosval. Bill Shayler, Dan Marriott, Roger Barnes, Don Fennell, , Paul Alexander, Michael Crawford, John Braaten, Ivan Wong, Donna Marsland, Laura Heroux, Albert Wood, Christopher Maika, Rob Herron, Councillor Bill McNulty.
Eric Stepura, Sam Morizawa, Mike Romas, (City staff)
Gerry DeCicco – Oval staff.

Meeting called to order at 7:12 pm.

Election of Officers

Chair	Jim Lamond
Vice Chair	Bob Jackson
Secretary	Peter Mitchell
Treasurer	Gary Rosval

The above were nominated and accepted by acclamation.

1. Approval of February 15, 2012 minutes
Moved: Barb Norman, Seconded: Don Fisher, Carried.
2. Business arising from minutes – Nil.
3. **Staff Update**

Eric confirmed that on May 20th at 5 pm the Rick Hansen Relay would arrive in Richmond following a cross country run which started in Newfoundland in August 2011. A celebration of this event will take place on the Oval Legacy Plaza from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm where there will be stage entertainment and other activities. Community sports groups are invited to display or provide a demonstration of their sport that cater to people with disabilities. Eric requested that anyone wishing to participate should contact him directly.

Policy on Sponsorship – Eric stated that the committee reviewing this policy amendment will meet shortly and a report will be prepared for submission to Council for approval.

Eric distributed volunteer information with contact details to access the data base of City volunteers. Information is also available on the City web site.

4. **Sport Hosting Update**

Mike provided information on the events at the Oval including National Karate Championship March 16-18, Canadian Junior Short Track Championship March 22-25. Mike will be going to Everett, Washington to attend the Pacific Rim Gymnastics Championship event and will be presenting Richmond's bid at their annual meeting.

Mike confirmed that BC Sports Agency is the new provincial sport body with Scott Ackles as the new CEO. A representative will be attending a future Sports Council meeting.

Mike will be distributing the Hosting BC Program via e.mail shortly. Mike also confirmed that a new Sport Hosting Co-ordinator had been hired (Jennifer Scott) and will attend the next meeting to be introduced.

5. **Council Update**

Councillor McNulty referred to the Rick Hansen Relay Celebration and that the City will be donating funds for this event. The Public Art Program has also received funding to promote art in the community focussing on the work of local residents. Maritime Festival will be held August 5 and 6th at Britannia.

6. **KidSport**

Bob circulated financial statements for information and confirmed that a grant had been received from the City in the amount of \$6250. Applications for grants have been submitted to Coast Capital Savings Community Fund and to the Provincial Government for \$10,000 from their proceeds of crime. Telus will again be approached also. Bob noted that the number of applicants had increased 80% over last year and there was a real need in the community. Jim noted KidSport has been in existence now for 5 years and thanked Terry and Bob for making the Richmond chapter the best in BC.

7. **Trust Fund**

Sammy circulated information on the allocation of funds in 2011 and confirmed that the fund totalled \$123,000 at present.

8. **Sports Awards**

Jim confirmed that information had been circulated via email and that the banquet would be held on Thursday May 3rd at McMath Secondary School at 6:30 pm. Tickets were \$35.00 and can

now be purchased on line (as well as cheque or cash). Jim emphasized the importance of the event and encouraged everyone to submit their nominations prior to the deadline of March 30, 2012. Jim stated he had been in discussion with Tourism Richmond to be a possible sponsor in the future. Questions arose in regard to the Builders Category of Award and this needs to be confirmed.

Steve brought up the subject of the cut off dates being a challenge for soccer and discussion took place and will need to be addressed.

9. **Correspondence** – Nil.

10. **Round Table** (highlights)

Gary

- 3 Provincial Championships – Squirts (30 team event) will be held long weekend in July

Annie

- Elite Canada championship 4 attended from the club (one senior boy won and a junior came 2nd) and chosen to participate in Pacific Rim Championships

Steve

- Senior Soccer All Stars Awards event held

Peter

- 10th anniversary of Jimmy Ng tournament at Thompson May 26-27
- 2nd annual Steveston Rotary club walk for Japan at the end of March (one km around Garry Point Park) with proceeds to Japan

Terry

- Now a member of the Richmond Raiders Executive. Hosting All Star Game in Richmond. Junior team will be started this year.

Albert

- Albert Wood introduced himself he was representing the Rod and Gun Club

Tony

- Metro Vancouver Invitational tournament will be held at the Oval on March 31st

Gerry

- Karate National Championships at the Oval March 16-18.
- New Performance Centre has opened
- Climbing Wall will be opening March 20th for a sneak preview

Mike

- Surrey Provincial swim meet, Richmond Rapids placed 6th in the province. One 16 yr old going forward to the Olympic trials

Christopher

- High school track meet at the Oval very successful
- Telus donated \$10,000 in Scholarships
- BC elementary school championships in May
- Junior development championship will be held in July
- One mile race on Canada day in conjunction with Salmon Festival

Don

- A large number of championships being held in Richmond over the spring break

Don

- Two major events at curling club – BC Club Challenge and Pacific Intl. Cup – more details will be provided at the next meeting

Barb

- 5200 drop in kids in January. 15,000 complimentary passes for the Arena for spring break.
- 13 tournaments over the spring break = 529 teams over 2 weeks

Eric

- 26th Dolphin Park Classic Basketball Tournament will be held July 27-29
- Nations Clup will be held July 20-26

Jim reminded everyone of the letter received from the BC Games Society in regard to hosting of the 2016 Summer Games or 2018 Winter Games in Richmond. Jim requested feedback from the members and following discussion the following motion was put forward:

Motion:

That Richmond Sports Council prepare a bid for the hosting of the 2016 BC Summer Games. Moved: Jim Lamond, Seconded: Peter Mitchell, Carried.

Jim stated that an organizing committee would be formed shortly and noted that the bid was to be submitted by September 2012.

Community Games – Jim confirmed that as there had been little interest from the community associations, it had been suggested that a Sports day be held with sports group demonstrating their sports. Jim will bring more information to the next meeting.

No further business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Nora Wright
Recording Secretary

Next meeting: Tuesday April 10, 2012