



# Richmond Sports Council

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**Tuesday November 8, 2016**

**Present:**

Jim Lamond (Chair), Gregg Wheeler (City staff), Bob Jackson, Terry Kehoe, Don Fisher, Sam Morizawa, Don Fennell, Ivan Wong, Kathleen Wong, Mike Thorne, Rosemary Nickerson, Barb Norman, Tanya Donaldson, Warren Karsgaard, Jack Hamilton, John Braaten, Mike Fletcher, Glenn Jensen, Al Groff, Barry Riva, Steve Valenzuela, Gregg Wheeler, Councillor Bill McNulty

**Regrets:** Stu Corrigan, Noleen Mueller, Bill Shayler, Serj Sangara, Tanya Foley, Kim Seaborn, Donna Marsland

Meeting called to order at 7.00 pm

1. Approval of October 11, 2016 minutes – Moved: Barb Norman, Seconded: John Braaten, Carried.
2. Business arising – Nil
3. **Council Update**

Councillor McNulty provided information as follows:

- 2017 will be Canada 150 celebrations and Richmond's 139th birthday activities will "Tie present with the Past" and a lot of good ideas received. The Japanese tall ship Kaiwo Maru will be arriving in May 3-8, 2017.
- Walking tour held on November 7<sup>th</sup> of the new Minoru Complex which is 15 months from completion
- Request to the Province to increase Hotel Room Tax from 2% to 3%. Sport Hosting received \$400,000 from this tax as a result, however, more funds were originally agreed upon that Tourism Richmond would give \$500,000 to Sport Hosting. After a year this was changed to \$400,000. Also out of the \$400,000, \$100,000 goes to Sport Hosting. Councillor McNulty urged Sports Council to enter into discussion on this issue with Tourism Richmond and noted that the Board had changed significantly to include 2 City staff and 3 from the community. Jim stated that Sports Council had submitted a name for this Committee but as usual never got a response.
- Local sports groups residency requirements which was currently at 60% per organization had been referred by Council to RSC for feedback. Jim responded that this would be addressed later in the meeting and the results of which would be communicated directly to Council. Councillor McNulty suggested that a Check List be prepared for ease of reference by the sports groups

4. **Staff Update**

Gregg referred to the Xiamen delegation arriving November 25 – 26 th and should any sports group be interested in meeting with the group to please let him know. Jim and Bob will attend.

Reminder of Remembrance Day Service at the City Hall Cenotaph starting at 10.40 am Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>

Minoru 3 field issue with storm drainage still ongoing and alternatives being addressed to continue usage.

In February 2016 Richmond City Baseball made a proposal to the City regarding a Baseball Wagon Wheel for Whiteside/South Arm area. Since then Boys Softball had folded and Palmer became available Softball fields will have to be reconfigured and this has been discussed with staff. As a result the under 18 boys Softball will remain in place will be moved to Steveston. One of the diamonds at Palmer will still be used for Adult Softball.

Wall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held on Saturday November 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 am and is open to the public. The new 8 categories of the wall design would be completed for the ceremony.

#### 5. **Wall of Fame**

Bob stated that the City would be announcing the 17 inductees shortly. Bob continued that the Committee had always been concerned about the configuration of the Wall of Fame and as a result there will be change to the wall which will now depict the 8 categories. Bob reminded everyone that the deadline for nominations for 2017 was December 31, 2016.

#### 6. **Sport Hosting Update**

Jim reported that there will be a meeting to go over the grants. Jim reminded everyone that funds of \$100,000 were available and to submit applications for funds for Spring 2017. It was announced that the Coaching Conference had over 600 delegates.

#### 7. **Creating Community Champions Event**

Bob confirmed the date of Friday April 3, 2017 at the Hilton. The next planning meeting of the committee would be held on November 14<sup>th</sup>. Guest speaker yet to be confirmed.

#### 8. **Sports Awards**

Terry confirmed that the ceremony would be held on April 27<sup>th</sup> at McMath School. Terry emphasized that nominations should be submitted by January 15, 2017. The nomination forms would be on the RSC web site shortly.

#### 9. **KidSport**

Bob circulated three information sheets on financials, recipients and 15 outstanding cheques. Bob confirmed that \$75,000 had been given out in grants to date for 2016 with 230 kids receiving support. The presenters at the Coaching Conference had donated their fees to KidSport in the amount of \$500.

#### 10. **Trust Fund**

Sammy to meet with Jim.

#### 11. **Correspondence**

Jim referred to information received with regard to a new MRI facility in Richmond and he would be inviting them to attend the December meeting as a guest. More information will be circulated separately via e.mail.

Invitation received to the Rod and Gun Club Open House including Gymnastics on Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 3 pm.

Jim confirmed that himself, Bob and Stu would be meeting with the Xiamen group.

#### 12. **Local sports groups residency requirements**

Round table feedback as follows:

Mike: Status quo 60% per organization

Glenn: would like to see 70%

Barry/Al: 60% per organization

Mike: 60% per organization

Terry: 60% per organization

Warren: would like to see grandfather clause added for those people who had played all their lives in Richmond but had moved away due to economic reasons.

John: 75% per organization

Jack: 60% per organization plus a grandfather clause

Tanya: 60% abd exemption should be available

Barb: Does not apply to Arenas, 100% Richmond residents, adults pay full price, no subsidy

Don: 60% per organization

Rosemary: Aquatics allocation of space is an issue. 60% per team

Kathleen: Rmd Field Hockey is 10% residents but would like to see 70 to 80%

Ivan: 60% per organization, bowling has 100% Richmond residents

Bob: Richmond residents should be protected and should be 75 to 80% per organization

Serj: 80% per organization. Not sure if also being discussed is the "priority" of different groups, but I would hope that Youth groups would continue to take precedent..... (especially, if programs are being offered at N/C for participants.)

Stu: Higher than 70% per organization

Jim: 70% per organization

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Jim stated that he would submit a letter directly to Council following the direction from Sports Council with regard to residency requirements.

### 13. **London/Steveston 5<sup>th</sup> Diamond Draft Proposal**

Feedback received as follows:

- As long as it does not encroach on soccer field
- Could impact football and storage container
- Need to look at the whole plan
- Need to find a solution to make everyone happy
- Discussion to take place with City staff

### 14. **Round Table – highlights**

Glenn:

- Softball waiting to hear about hosting Provincial tournament

Mike:

- Open House Gun Club and Gymnastics on Nov. 19 11am thru 3 pm
- Thanks to Gregg and staff for helping to organize
- Update provided on hunting and fishing

Terry:

- Two teams made playoffs in Kamloops

John:

- Re-elected as Chair for another two years

Tanya:

- AGM November 9<sup>th</sup>, new executive

Don:

- Curling progressing well
- Int'l Canada Open Wheelchair Bonspiel RCD, info sent out via email

Treasurer's report – no change from last month, 3 members still to pay their dues

Rosemary:

- All is good
- Looking forward to a successful 2017
- Regular maintenance of pools, Steveston Pool 40 swimmers less

Kathleen:

- Nov. 9 – 11 Triple A championships
- Field Hockey BC Training Program, 10 Richmond players tried out and 10 accepted
- Womens Senior League encouraging 13 and upwards to participate
- Looking for On line management program that is user friendly, anyone have any recommendations, please let me know.

Ivan:

- Bonspiel RCD info as announced by Don
- Looking for volunteers for rock cleaning

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Serj, not in attendance but email the following:

- Would like to thank Richmond Sport Hosting for the opportunity to attend this past weekend's Coach's Conference...Much appreciated.
- Would also like to thank Richmond Girls Softball and the City of Richmond for their continued support in helping us offer our programs in East Richmond... (Have forwarded Greg Wheeler some info on portable mounds

No further business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.

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Jim Lamond, Chair

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Nora Wright, Recording Secretary

**Next meeting: December 13, 2016**