



## Richmond Sports Council

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### **Tuesday June 16, 2020 Telephone/Video Conference call meeting**

1. Call to order at 7.05 pm.
2. Approval of minutes from March, 2020. Moved: Councillor Bill McNulty, Seconded; Scott Stewart, Carried .
3. Business arising from minutes – none.
4. **Council Update**

Councillor McNulty provided the following information:

- City following Provincial government guidelines for Stage 2
- City hall closed but open for payment of property taxes only
- City staff some working from home and some deployed to other duties
- Works yard staffing as normal
- Stage 3 will be a challenge in regard to social distancing guidelines
- Strong concern re second wave of COVID 19 virus and liability issues as a result
- 88 cases in Richmond from a population of over 200,000
- Council diligently monitoring the situation and before any operations open would need approval of Council

#### **5. Staff Report/Field and Facility Use**

Gregg referred to the City web site and Stage 2 information re informal use of sports facilities and highlighted the following:

- June 28<sup>th</sup> return of use of sports fields
- Will be open for those that have submitted applications

- Payment will be required prior to sports field use only
- All applications must be submitted to Gregg Wheeler at the City and include the following in regard to conditions of use as follows:
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  - a) \$5 million insurance required
  - b) Return to Play Guidelines
  - c) Field Sport Contract to be signed including wording on COVID19

Gregg continued that for those sports that do not belong to a Provincial Sports Organization (PSO) could use an equivalent sport guidelines to adopt and use. Concern expressed that POS and non PSO sports were discriminatory and Gregg responded that it was the same criteria for all sports i.e. insurance, contract and Return to Play Guidelines.

Gregg committed to sending out more information together with contracts next week for review and return prior to June 29<sup>th</sup>. Gregg reiterated that no soccer games to be played this summer only skill development.

## **6. Insurance**

Gregg confirmed that insurance information would be sent out next week and were in line with legislation from the Provincial Government.

Gregg emphasized that all sports organizations must be compliant with criteria outline otherwise the organization would not be covered.

## **7. KidSport**

Bob stated that everything was on hold and there had been no grants issued since February 2020. The annual amount per child per year would remain at \$700 for the time being.

Bob pointed out that revenue would be reduced over the next two years. A cheque had been received from the City and would be pro rated

Kajaks enquired if there was flexibility in regard to the 10 weeks specification as there was uncertainty in this regard. Bob committed to following up on this issue with the Committee as he could not make a decision at the current time.

## **8. Other Business**

Richmond Jets – enquiry received in regard to hockey and Gregg responded that currently it was Stage 2 but when Stage 3 was announced then the arenas would be opening.

Basketball - status enquiry and Gregg explained that the focus would be on outdoor sports and timeline for resumption of basketball was unknown at present. Gyms remain closed and Gregg suggested that contact be made with Basketball BC In regard to skill development.

### COVID 19 Testing Station

Councillor McNulty drew attention to a Testing Station that was now open and located in the west parking lot adjacent to Fire hall No. 1 on Granville.

### Richmond Curling Center (submitted via email)

We are still in summer mode and the Club is closed until at least early September 2020.

Richmond Sports Council  
Bank balance as at June16/20 \$3,179.90

Membership dues are payable now for 2020 and should be paid at next in-house meeting, of not paid already.  
Receipts will be issued at time of payment.

## **9. Adjournment** - No further business and meeting adjourned at 7.45 pm

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Jim Lamond, Chair

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Nora Wright, Recorder

**Next meeting – to be announced.**