

# **Minutes**

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# **Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting**

held via Zoom Monday, January 18, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

**Present:** 

Isaac Gilbert, Chair

James Palanio, Vice Chair

Tyson Bull Gary Dean John Archer

Robert (Sandy) Ross

Laura Harp Drew Barnes

Staff:

Len Robson, Public Works Manager

Kelsey Johnson, Manager of Recreation, Arts & Culture Anthony Haddad, General Manager of Community Services

Blake Laven, Director of Development Services JoAnne Kleb, Public Engagement Program Manager

Todd Whyte, Parks Manager

Alysa Wardley, Legislative Assistant

**Regrets:** 

Jake Kimberley, Councillor

Lee Davidson

Michaela Wooldridge

Julia Barber Susan Fraser

**Guest:** 

Katya Irwin, Word Count Consulting

#### 1. Call to Order

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee was called to order by the Chair at 3:03 p.m.

# 2. Adoption of Agenda

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adopt the agenda for the meeting held on January 18, 2021 as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

# 3. Adoption of Minutes

# It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the December 10, 2020 meeting as presented.

#### 4. New Business

4.1 <u>Skaha Lake Park East Plan Planning Exercise Review – JoAnne Kleb, Public Engagement Program Manager, Len Robson, Public Works Manager</u>

The Public Engagement Program Manager gave a presentation reviewing the Skaha Lake Park East Plans and public engagement results. A community engagement workshop was conducted in 2020 to gather public opinion on 3 proposed concepts for Skaha Lake East, while public opinions have been gathered from online feedback forms through Shape Your City. Overall, Concept A was the preferred option with both the community engagement forums and the workshop, with further statistics and comments indicating the preferred design components to each concept.

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee receive into the record the overview of the public engagement activities conducted to date for the Skaha Lake Park East Plan and support staff preparing the draft consolidated plan and proceeding to the next phase of engagement.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The Public Works Manager presented a draft of the consolidated plan for Skaha Lake Park East, including consulting with the Penticton Indian Band to better understand opportunities for representation, working with the paddling community for the boathouse location, suggestions for the marina building, the splash-pad area, and for the parking lot. New ideas of note were the relocation of the parking lot to the southeast corner of the park and enhancing the marina as a destination through amenities such as a restaurant. Moving forward the draft of the consolidated plan will gather further feedback and review new considerations.

Comments from Members at Large ranged from support of plans to feelings that plans seemed like they were compromising ideas and a desire that more options would have been explored with regards to the motorized boating area. Other comments would like to continue to support a location for the boathouse which allows ease and access to the water.

# It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommend that staff proceed with the high level feasibility, design, costing of this variation to concept A in conjunction with the development of the Concept A Consolidated Plan.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

4.2 <u>Mountain Bike Skills Park Subcommittee, Campbell Mountain – Pat Dowler, Penticton and Area Cycling Association</u>

The representative from the Penticton and Area Cycling Association provided the Committee with a presentation on the proposed plans for a Mountain Bike Skills Park on Campbell Mountain. Proposed works include a purpose built network of features, such as pump tracks and jumps, for bikers of all levels of experience to develop skills. Campbell Mountain has been suggested as the most favourable venue for the Park. The main goal suggested for this Park is to provide a free venue to encourage family use and outdoor activity within the community.

The floor was opened for questions and comments, allowing Mr. Dowler to provide further clarity on the proposed location of the Skills Park, including access to the Park and potential City of Penticton boundaries.

# It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee support the securing of a location for the Penticton and Area Cycling Association to have a mountain biking skills park built, preferable location being "Location 1" identified at the North end of Campbell Mountain.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

# 5. **Next Meeting**

The next Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held on February 22, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

# 6. **Public Question Period**

# 7. Adjournment

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adjourn the meeting held on January 18, 2021 at 4:44 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

**Certified Correct:** 

Alysa Wardley Legislative Assistant