



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

MINUTES of a **REGULAR** meeting of the **GREATER VERNON ADVISORY COMMITTEE** held in the Board Room at the Regional District Office on Thursday, April 5, 2012

Members:	Director M. Macnabb Director D. Dirk Director R. Sawatzky Alt. Director B. Spiers Alt. Director C. Lord Councillor G. Kiss Director B. Fleming T. Ouchi K. Smith	Electoral Area "C" (Chair) District of Coldstream City of Vernon City of Vernon City of Vernon District of Coldstream Electoral Area "B" Alt. Agricultural Representative School District 22 Representative
Staff:	T. Hall D. McTaggart T. Nelson K. Pinkoski P. Juniper	Administrator General Manager Engineering Community Development Coordinator, Parks, Recreation & Culture Parks Planner Executive Assistant (taking minutes)
Also Present:	Councillor M. Besso Councillor P. McClean D. Ross Media and public	District of Coldstream District of Coldstream Manager, Recreation Services, City of Vernon

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved and seconded by Director Sawatzky and Alternate Director Lord
That the Agenda of the April 5, 2012 Greater Vernon Advisory Committee meeting be approved with the following addition:

- G. Chair's Report

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Greater Vernon Advisory Committee Meetings

Moved and seconded by Councillor Kiss and Alternate Director Lord
That the minutes of the following Greater Vernon Advisory Committee meetings be adopted as circulated:

- a. Regular Meeting March 8, 2012
- b. Special Meeting March 22, 2012

CARRIED

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Vernon Tennis Association

Marsha White, President of the Vernon Tennis Association spoke in support of the Vernon Tennis Association program. The following was presented:

- Request for a reduction in court fees
- Scheduling
- Capital improvements including additional courts, security lighting, backboards and washroom facilities

Water Supply Agreement – Stepping Stones

Gordon Nicholson, applicant, was present to speak to his application for water service to serve a secondary suite on the property. Mr. Nicholson advised the Committee that in consideration of the 2 options presented in the staff report dated March 23, 2012 he would prefer the option of paying an equivalent Development Cost Charge for the property.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Vernon Community Music School

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Sawatzky

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the letter of support, included in the report from the Community Development Coordinator dated March 16, 2012, be endorsed and provided to the Vernon Community Music School for inclusion in their funding applications; and further,

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the funding request from the Vernon Community Music School be deferred to the 2013 budget, and considered in accordance with funding policies; and further,

That staff notify the Vernon Community Music School of the fact that the Board is working on a grant policy, and that the request from the Vernon Community Music School, in their presentation given on March 8th, 2012, will be considered in the development of that policy.

CARRIED

Okanagan Boys & Girls Clubs

Moved and seconded by Director Sawatzky and Alternate Director Lord

That the letter dated February 28, 2012 from the Okanagan Boys & Girls Clubs be received for information.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Vernon Tennis Association

Moved and seconded by Directors Dirk and Sawatzky

That the letter from the Vernon Tennis Association, dated February 6, 2012, be received for information; and further,

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the request from the Vernon Tennis Association, in the letter dated February 6th, 2012, for a grant to offset a portion of the court fees not be approved; and further,

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that staff be directed to meet with the Vernon Tennis Association and investigate partnership opportunities to work toward the short-term and long-term capital objectives as outlined in the report from the Community Development Coordinator, dated March 15th, 2012.

CARRIED

Vernon and District Funtastic Sports Society Grant Request

Moved and seconded by Director Dirk and Alternate Director Lord

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that the request from the Vernon and District Funtastic Sports Society, in a letter dated March 1st, 2012, for a grant to offset the facility fees for the 2012 Funtastic event not be approved; and further,

That staff notify the Vernon and District Funtastic Sports Society of the fact that the Board is working on a grant policy, and that the request from the Vernon and District Funtastic Sports Society, in a letter dated March 1st, 2012, will be considered in the development of the policy.

CARRIED

Proposed Sports Complex

Moved and seconded by Directors Sawatzky and Dirk

That the letter received February 28, 2012 from Jade Freeman re: future sports complex be received for information.

CARRIED

Water Supply Agreement – Stepping Stones

Moved and seconded by Director Sawatzky and Alternate Director Lord

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that Schedule B of the Water Supply Agreement – Stepping Stones dated January 1, 2011 between the Regional District of North Okanagan and the Township of Spallumcheen be amended to allow one additional unit on that property located at 131 Overlook Place, in the Township of Spallumcheen, and legally described as Lot 7, Sec 34, Twp 8, ODYD, Plan 29868 through a reduction from 0.81 hectare of agricultural water allocation to 0.55 hectare of agricultural water allocation; and further

That the Water Supply Agreement – Stepping Stones dated January 1, 2011 be amended to provide for management approval of applications where there is no change to the Peak Instantaneous Flow.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

Community Garden Network

Moved and seconded by Alternate Director Lord and Director Sawatzky

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that an amendment to the Community Gardens in Greater Vernon Policy No. GVPRC-002 to include communal style garden plots, as outlined in the report from the Community Development Coordinator dated March 16, 2012, be approved; and further

That the Board of Directors authorize staff to charge the agricultural rate for water used for gardening at the community garden located on the Okanagan College site; and further

That the Board of Directors approve \$2,500 for a second community garden seed grant in 2012,

with funds to come from reserves; and further
That the Board of Directors defers the funding request for Community Garden coordination to the 2013 budget deliberations.

CARRIED

CHAIR'S REPORT

Parks Service Review

The Chair provided an update to the Committee following a meeting with the Central Okanagan Regional District (CORD) that he had attended with Directors Sawatzky and Fleming and Councillor Besso. The meeting was held to provide insight into how other parks services were provided under other organizations and to explore the option of a full regional parks function.

- CORD markets the Regional Parks to locals and tourists through strategic planning
- Regional Parks focus on historic, first nations, ecological, linear connections and trail use
- Maintenance is contracted out
- Recreation facilities within the municipalities are managed by the municipalities and are not a part of the Regional Parks function
- Regional Parks function provides them access to funds and allows them to partner with other agencies

Moved and Seconded by Alternate Director Spiers and Councillor Kiss

That it be recommended to the Regional Board that staff be directed to report on the Parkland Acquisition Referendum monies spent to date.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION

Greater Vernon Parks, Recreation and Culture

The Administrator provided a verbal update to the Committee regarding the process for the Greater Vernon Parks, Recreation and Culture Service Review. He advised that staff are scheduling meetings to facilitate discussions between the participants.

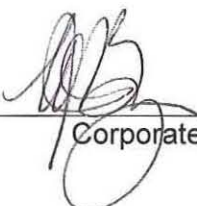
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Certified Correct:



Chair



Corporate Officer