



PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

**Wednesday, January 25, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
Century House, Spruce Room**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Councillor Jaimie McEvoy | - Chair, City Council Member |
| Shawna Barkley | - Community Member |
| Brynn Bourke | - Community Member |
| John Davies | - Community Member |
| Mike Folka | - Community Member (exited at 6:45 p.m.) |
| Ted Garbutt | - Community Member |
| Andrew Hull | - Community Member (arrived at 6:51 p.m.) |
| Vince Kreiser | - Community Member |
| Michel Roy | - Community Member (exited at 7:01 p.m.) |

MEMBERS REGRETS:

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| Casey Cook | - School Board Representative |
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GUESTS PRESENT:

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| Councillor Patrick Johnstone | - Chair, ACTBiPed |
| Virginia Ayers | - ACTBiPed |
| Brad Cavanagh | - ACTBiPed |
| Karon Trenaman | - ACTBiPed |
| Don Crockett | - Lanarc |
| Palmer Wright | - Parsons |
| Michelle Babiuk | - TransLink |
| Sam Young | - TransLink |

STAFF PRESENT:

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| Dean Gibson | - Director of Parks and Recreation |
| Mark Allison | - Manager of Strategic Initiatives and Sustainability |
| Steve Kellock | - Senior Manager of Recreation Services and Facilities |
| Stephen Blore | - Engineering Technologist (Transportation) |
| JoAnn Tosh | - Committee Clerk |

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

1.0 ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions.

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of November 30, 2016

Procedural note: Item 2.1 was addressed following item 5.1

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the November 30, 2016 Parks and Recreation Committee meeting minutes be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Brunette-Fraser Regional Greenway: Sapperton Landing Park to Westminster Pier Park – Conceptual Design Study

Procedural note: Item 3.1 was addressed first on the agenda

Don Crockett, Lanarc, led the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Advisory Committee for Transit, Bicycles and Pedestrians (ACTBiPed) through a joint workshop regarding the Brunette-Fraser Regional Greenway.

Procedural note: Mike Folka exited the workshop at 6:45 p.m.; Andrew Hull arrived at 6:51 p.m.; Michel Roy exited the workshop at 7:01 p.m.; members of the ACTBiPed exited the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items.

5.0 REPORTS

5.1 Queen's Park Arenex Collapse

Procedural note: Item 5.1 was addressed following Item 3.1

Dean Gibson, Director of Parks and Recreation, provide an On-Table PowerPoint presentation regarding the December 16, 2016 collapse of the Queen's Park Arenex.

In response to questions from the Committee, Mr. Gibson provided the following information:

- It is believed that one of the main truss' failed resulting in the collapse of the building;
- There were no injuries, as the building was empty at the time of collapse;
- The insurance policy does not require the building to be rebuilt on the same foundation;
- The majority of the Queensborough Boxing Club equipment was not salvageable;
- The City was able recover a significant amount of equipment from the building with minor damage;
- Following the collapse, the City's Building Management Division inspected other City facilities to ensure that the buildings were not at risk due to the heavy snow fall;
- Currently, the structural engineers working on site are only able to determine contributing factors which lead to the collapse and not the exact reason for the collapse;
- It is a priority for staff to have the programs back in operation as soon as possible in facilities throughout the community or in nearby municipalities;
- The Shasta Trampoline Club has relocated their programs to the Vancouver Circus School located at the River Market in New Westminster;
- It is anticipated that City staff will be visiting the Coquitlam Poirier Forum for a site tour to determine if it would be feasible for New Westminster to temporarily run its programs over the next several years out of a similar building;
- When considering the possibility of relocating the temporary facility, the City is challenged with providing ample onsite parking; and,
- Should the permanent long term facility be located outside of Queen's Park, the current location within the park could be used as natural green space.

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Committee acknowledge and express appreciation for the exceptional efforts of the Parks and Recreation staff in the events leading up to, and after the collapse of the Queen's Park Arenex.

CARRIED.

All members of the Committee present voted in favor of the motion.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items.

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

There were no items.

8.0 NEXT MEETING

March 8, 2017, 6:00 p.m. at Queensborough Community Centre, Poplar Room.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Certified Correct,

Councillor Jaimie McEvoy
Chair

JoAnn Tosh
Committee Clerk