



## Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt

### ESQUIMALT PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 26, 2017 at 7:15pm  
Archie Browning Sports Centre – Boardroom  
1151 ESQUIMALT ROAD

## MINUTES

**Present:** Vice Chair Matteo Ferri, Councillor Susan Lowe, Councillor Meagan Brame, Gillian Larson, John Noyes, Morlene Tomlinson, Bill Percival, David Coney  
Scott Hartman, Director of Parks & Recreation Services  
Rick Daykin, Manager of Parks & Facilities  
Jeff Byron, Manager of Recreation Services

**Regrets:** RJ Senko, Celia Owen

**Guests:** Michael Dupuis, Chris Dupuis, Peter Ryan

The meeting was called to order at 7:18pm.

### 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval moved by Gillian Larson and seconded by John Noyes  
The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of June 8, 2016 accepted with spelling correction.  
Minutes of December 15, 2016 accepted as is.  
Adoption moved by Morlene Tomlinson and seconded by Bill Noyes  
The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### 3. CURRENT BUSINESS

- a) A presentation from Michael and Chris Dupuis –(Esquimalt Off Leash Dog Park)

Chris & Michael Dupuis asked that the Committee consider constructing a fenced in off leash dog park in Esquimalt. Chris stated that the nearest fenced dog park is in VicWest, and that the park was often filled to capacity. Michael estimated there are approximately 70,000 dogs within the CRD which possibly includes up to 3500 dogs in Esquimalt.

The Director informed the Committee that no research has been done on this concept as of yet.

A discussion ensued regarding questions on size, cost of construction and the percentage of off-leash area in neighbouring communities vs Esquimalt. It was mentioned that a fenced in area does not meet Council's current strategic priorities, and that a fenced in dog area was not identified as a need during the previous community consultation regarding dogs in parks.

The Director suggested this concept could be including in the upcoming community consultation regarding funds coming from the CRD.

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Moved by David Coney and seconded by John Noyes that the discussion of an off-leash dog area be included in the public process of CRD fund allocation.  
The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

b) 2017 Strategic Priorities and Operational Strategies

The Director provided an overview of Council's 2017 Strategic Priorities and Operational Strategies.

**4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- a) Fraser Street Water Park construction has been delayed due to weather. Construction will be wrapped up by the end of May
- b) PerfectMind Software - online registration is now available for Bloomin Beautiful and Summer Camps. Full program registration and pass purchasing capabilities will be available for Fall 2017. Full
- c) Memorial Park – the HMCS Memorial will be relocated from the Town hall site to Memorial Park.
- d) CRD Amenity Funds – a public process will be set up by Corporate Services to determine where funds will be assigned.
- e) CREST Tower Installation – should be completed in May 2017

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Morlene Tomlinson and seconded by Gillian Larson that the meeting be adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

The motion **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

<hr/> Matteo Ferri, Vice Chair  This __ day of __, 2017	=	<p>Certified Correct:</p> <hr/> Anja Nurvo, Corporate Officer
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