

MINUTES
PARKS, TRAILS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Held at the G.R. Pearkes Recreation Centre
June 23, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Chair: Susan Brice

Members: Ted Austin; Terrance Berscheid, Pamela Carroll; Daryl Dagneault; Warren Ellam; Tom Hatcher; Dave Marecek; Stefanie Yao, Dex Owen (Student Liaison)

Staff: Suzanne Samborski, Director of Parks and Recreation; Kelli-Ann Armstrong, Senior Manager, Recreation Services; Eva Riccius, Senior Manager Parks; Elizabeth van den Hengel, Committee Clerk

Regrets: Rick Paynter (SD 61 representative)

Guests: Colleen Hobson, Executive Director, Saanich Neighbourhood Place; Corinna Bays, Early Childhood Educator, Saanich Neighbourhood Place

MINUTES

MOVED by D. Dagneault and Seconded by T. Berscheid “That the minutes of the Parks, Trails and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting May 28, 2016 be adopted as circulated.”

CARRIED

SAANICH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE CHILDCARE CENTRE

The Executive Director and Early Childhood Educator, Saanich Neighbourhood Place provided the Committee with updates on the proposed new childcare centre. The following was noted:

- Two rounds of public participation events have been held to date.
- Currently Saanich Neighbourhood Place has secured \$1.25 million in funding towards the construction of the new childcare facility.
- Currently 70 families are signed up on the interest list.
- The building has been repositioned into the parking lot area to reduce the impact on greenspace.
- This parking lot is currently not well utilized.
- The proposed childcare centre is approximately 7500 square feet. The building has been designed as a multiuse facility.
- An outdoor nature play space is planned for the children.
- The area for the proposed centre is currently zoned for health and recreation.

NEW CRD WATER CONSERVATION BYLAW #4099 AND THE BC DROUGHT SITUATION

The Director of Parks and Recreation provided the Committee with an overview on the new CRD water conservation requirements and the following was noted:

- Saanich Parks maintains over 150 automated irrigation systems within parks and boulevards.

- Many of these irrigation systems are outdated and inefficient by today's irrigation standards.
- The irrigation systems that are not in compliance with the new CRD bylaw will be tracked and given priority for replacement or repair.

DIVISION UPDATE, PARKS

The Senior Manager of Parks, provided a Division update.

DIVISION UPDATE, RECREATION

The Senior Manager, Recreation Services, provided an update.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for September 2016.

Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are accurate.

Committee Secretary