

**COWICHAN VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT
KERRY PARK RECREATION CENTRE**

Minutes of the special meeting of the Kerry Park Recreation Centre Commission, meeting held at Kerry Park Recreation Centre on Monday, July 18th, 2011 at 6:00 pm.

PRESENT: Chairperson: Heather Broughton
Directors: Gerry Giles, Ken Cossey, Brian Harrison,
Lori Iannidinardo
Commissioners: Leslie Heino, Mike Croft, Doug
Higginson

ALSO

PRESENT: Kim Liddle, Manager, South Cowichan Recreation
Tony Liddle, South Cowichan Facility Operations
Coordinator; Ron Austen, General Manager, Parks
Recreation & Culture Dept

ABSENT: Sheena Boyles, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes from the June 20th, 2011 Kerry Park Recreation Commission meeting be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM THE MINUTES**

None

DELEGATIONS

None

**DEPARTMENT
REPORTS/
CORRESPONDENCE**

CR1- Letter –Mill Bay Community League

Letter dated July 8, 2011 from the Mill Bay Community League (MBCL) was received in regards to the expired lease agreement for the 2.19 acre site on Wilkinson Road which Kerry Park Recreation Centre has lease from the MBCL since 2004. Kim gave an overview of past lease agreement and an update on meetings that have been held to date in respect to the lease agreement. Doug Higginson declared a conflict of interest as he sits on the board for MBCL and requested to leave the room. Doug left the room at 6:07pm. It was noted from Director Harrison that staff should not be negotiating any future renewal of the lease prior to commission approval; discussion regarding current uses, future needs and the importance of this site for future use took place as well as how the details in the original lease agreement came about; it was noted that there was an appraisal done on the property in 2004 to ensure the rate set was not exceeding fair market value; discussion ensued regarding who would negotiate with MBCL on the commission's behalf

It was moved and seconded that staff enter into negotiations with the Mill Bay Community League for the continued lease of the property and report back to the commission.

MOTION CARRIED

Doug Higginson returned at 6:13 pm

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

UB1- Kerry Park Redevelopment Project

Commission chair opened up discussion in regards to the recommendations that were made under UB1 at the June 20th, 2011 commission meeting; recommendations did not move forward to the board level due to unresolved funding concerns that the four electoral area directors are trying to work through. Director Giles gave an overview of two meetings held between the four electoral area directors and senior staff of CVRD in regards to the current funding model for Kerry Park Recreation and the different options that were looked at; it was noted that it is going to take some time to work out a formula that works for all communities and a decision was not able to be reached prior to the recommendations going before the board on July 13, 2011. Discussion took place around the importance of resolving funding models prior to going out to referendum for facility upgrades. At this time recommendations have been put on hold until 2012. Commissioner, Doug Higginson expressed his disappointment and stressed that this issue must be resolved and time is of the essence.

Action Item: that a meeting be scheduled between the four area directors and the CEO of CVRD to review available options for moving forward; topic will be added as an agenda item for the next meeting for follow up.

NEW BUSINESS

none

MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for August 23rd, 2011

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm

Certified Correct:

Chairperson

Secretary

Dated