

Minutes of the meeting of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission held at the Curling Lounge, Monday June 25, 2009. Called to order at 7:06 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Members: B. Peters (Acting Chair), D. Darling, R. Wise, C. Bath, R. Forrest (Mayor of Town of Lake Cowichan), Alex Marshall (alternate director for Area I),

**ABSENT:** K. Kuhn (Area I Director), S. McFarlane (Chairperson), I. Morrison (Area F Director), L. Olson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

J. Elzinga, Manager, Island Savings Centre; R. Frost, West Cowichan Facility Coordinator; R. Austen, General Manager Parks, Recreation and Culture, L. Backlund, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation.

**ADOPTION OF  
AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded:

**That the agenda be approved with the following additions: BA2 – Renovation Project and Old Business - Rocky.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF  
MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded:

**That the minutes of the May 25, 2009, Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting be approved as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**That the minutes of the June 28, 2009, Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission special meeting be approved as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**BA1: Update regarding request to Town Council**

Staff at the Town office forwarded an application form so we could re-apply for camping in the parking lot to accommodate the summer bonspiel. CLR Manager has completed and submitted the application form, and is waiting for further news from Town Council. Mayor Forrest gave an update from Town Council saying they may consider giving approval to events booked already with the understanding that people would be able camp. If they do give approval it will be for this year only. We should hear soon.

**BA2: Arena Renovation Project:**

- Schematic Design: J. Elzinga informed the Commission that the CVRD has signed off on the schematic design as presented to the Commission for any questions.
- Timeline: CEI and Staff are working toward a timeline of having the shovel in the ground on September 9, 2009. This means that tenders should go out in the second week of August for demolition and noting that we still have had no word regarding the Building Canada and RINK funds that have been applied for.
- Schematic Costing: An update on the schematic costing based on the current design should be arriving in 2 to 21/2 weeks.
- Design Committee: Has been meeting weekly to give input to CEI regarding Room Data Sheets and Schematic Design. There have been many little changes but the two most significant were: 1) that a decision was made to build the new addition at “High Importance” rather than “post disaster” standards which are usually reserved for hospitals, police stations, fire halls etc. 2) With respect to the extension of the slab in the upper viewing area, the design committee has recommended to “crank the slab” to allow for maximum amount of viewing with better sight lines. This decision has gone forward for costing.

**BUSINESS ARISING  
FROM THE  
MINUTES**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

none at this time

**NEW BUSINESS**

**NB1: Permanent change of hours – Youbou Bowling Alley Liquor License # 300537**

L. Backlund explained that the liquor license was received in 2003 and the facility is currently licensed Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 6:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. and Saturday 6:30 p.m. – midnight. Wednesday and Friday were not licensed at the time to allow for children bowling in the facility. Rules have changed now. To allow for flexibility in programming and to allow for the extension of the liquor license to accommodate the annual Youbou Regatta Dance, staff have recommended the hours change.

It was moved and seconded:

**That staff proceed with obtaining a permanent change to licensed hours of the Youbou Bowling Alley license #300537 to allow for**

**licensing Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 6:30 p.m. – midnight and Saturday 6:30 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**OLD BUSINESS**

R. Wise asked staff if a thank you letter had been sent to Mt. Sicker Logging and TimberWest. Staff has confirmed that Thank you cards had been sent to both parties thanking them for their generous gift of wood toward the arena renovation project.

**WEST COWICHAN  
FACILITY  
COORDINATOR'S  
REPORT**

**Environmental testing at Youbou Hall:** The report has come back regarding testing the underground oil tank. Everything is below detectable levels so all is good. R. Frost asked the Commission to think about going to heat pumps in the future and getting rid of oil all together similar to what has been done in Honeymoon Bay and Mesachie Lake Halls.

**Garbage rates:** An agreement has been negotiated for garbage pickup at the Youbou Hall. He noted that the re-organization of the CVRD has allowed for more time to investigate issues such as these and he hopes to do more in the future.

**Propane Tender:** The propane tender closed today. They had hoped to save up to 15% but it appears that they have saved even more than this. Super Save will be supplying the propane.

**MANAGER'S  
REPORT**

**Lake Days Dance:** 475 tickets were sold to this year's dance as opposed to 781 in 2008. Budget figures were almost reached and the dance broke even.

**Canada Day Grant and Event:** Everyone is invited to attend the Canada Day event at Mesachie Lake Ball field on Wed. July 1<sup>st</sup> from 6 – 9 p.m. We will also be celebrating the Mesachie Lake Volunteer Fire Department's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the new fire truck will be on display. We received \$1000 in grant funding for this year's event.

**Programmer Update:** This process is still ongoing.

**Summer Program** staff started this week. We received 3 Grant funded positions through HRDC.

**NEXT MEETING**

**Thursday July 30, 7:00 p.m. Curling Lounge.**