

Minutes of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission Meeting held on Thursday, December 21, 2017 in the Cowichan Lake Sports Arena Curling Lounge, 311 South Shore, Lake Cowichan BC at 7:02 PM.

**PRESENT:** Acting-Chair L. Johnson  
Alternate B. Day  
Director I. Morrison  
E. Fearon  
T. Repstock  
D. Darling  
T. Akiyama  
C. Bath

**ALSO PRESENT:** S. Slawuta, RC Strategies & PERC  
R. Frost, West Cowichan Facilities Coordinator  
T. Kaul, Recreation Programmer II  
L. Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation  
L. Bowery, Recording Secretary

**ABSENT:** Director K. Khun  
Mayor R. Forrest

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**M1** Regular Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting of November 23, 2017

**It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Cowichan Lake Recreation meeting of November 23, 2017 be adopted with the correction of C. Bath as present.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **REPORTS**

**R1** S. Slawuta from RC Strategies + PERC handed out reports and gave the Power Point presentation on the Curling Rink Study

**R2** R. Frost, West Cowichan Facility Coordinator Verbal Report Re: WorkSafe BC ammonia audit

WorkSafe BC visited CLSA to audit our emergency plans and work procedures. A predetermined checklist was followed along with discussion and questions that lasted five hours. A report will be generated that will point out any problem areas.

Every arena is expected to have issues that will need to be corrected. Overall, WorkSafe BC indicated that CLSA is very prepared compared to other facilities that have been visited.

**R3** Tanya Kaul, Recreation Programmer II gave a Power Point Presentation on the CLSA Programs from 2017.

**R4** L. Blatchford, Manager, Cowichan Lake Recreation Verbal Report Re: Lake Days Dance 2018; CLASS Replacement Project; Hockey Tournaments in January; Hockey Jamboree's in January; Curl BC Event; Cowichan Lake area "Paint the Town Red Event"; and Rogers HomeTown Hockey Event

CLSA is stepping back from hosting a Lake Days Dance in 2018. Two other local businesses will be offering live bands on Saturday, June 9, 2018. Recreation is here to fill a gap if needed but it appears that next year there is no gap to fill.

The launch Date for our new Software Program is September 4, 2018.

LCDMHA is hosting a Midget Hockey Tournament at CLSA on December 28, 29 and 30, 2017 as well as a Pee Wee Hockey Tournament on January 5, 6, 7, 2018.

LCDMHA is hosting an Initiation Jamboree at CLSA on January 14, 2018 and an Association Jamboree on Saturday, January 20, 2018.

CLSA in partnership with the Cowichan Rocks Curling Club is hosting Curl BC's BC Winter Games Playdown event on January 12, 13 and 14, 2018. The winning male and female teams from this event will qualify for the BC Winter Games held in Kamloops, BC on February 22 to 25, 2018.

Cowichan Lake area's Paint the Town Red event is Friday night January 19, 2018. We will offer a public skate and hockey related crafts from 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM. Lake Cowichan First Nations traditional welcome song and dance on ice will be at 7:30 PM followed by a Lake Cowichan Senior Lakers Adult Rec Hockey game at 8:00 PM. People wearing red will receive a free hot chocolate. Bring a red stuffie and purchase a \$50/50 ticket to huck your stuffie for a chance to win half the pot at the half time show. The red stuffies will then be collected and given to sick children in the hospital in time for Valentine's Day.

Rogers HomeTown Hockey event will be January 20 and 21, 2018.

**R5** Directors I. Morrison and K. Kuhn Verbal Report Re: CVRD Board update

The staff recommendation to change the one evening Board meeting to the afternoon was defeated.

The next Municipal Election will in October of 2018.

The CVRD 2018 Budget will go forward for approval this January.

The Meades Creek project is 40% complete and should be opening in April or May of 2018.

Public Safety Division is moving to Bings Creek and will include the EOC "Emergency Operation Centre" as it will no longer be in the flood plain.

BC Assessments have changed and are targeting Condos and Town houses in Stratas.

HBCS Annual Pot Lick Dimmer was on Sunday, December 17, 2017. It was a great success with lots of kids and gifts from Santa.

Area F hosted their Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, December 16, 2017.

The CVRD Staff Christmas Dinner was on Friday, December 15, 2017.

**R6**

B. Day Verbal Report Re: Town of Lake Cowichan update

For an easy to read explanation of Town of Lake Cowichan contributions to CVRD taxes, see schedule J under draft budget.

Regional Recreation, Affordable Housing, Watershed Management and Regional Grant in Aid are four possible topics for referendum questions in the upcoming 2018 elections.

Connecting Communities initiatives.

Elder Care initiatives are back up and running with possible partnerships with LC First Nations.

The Town has had First and Second reading on bylaw for Tiny Homes and Tiny Lots.

The Town's budget discussions are to begin in January of 2018.

The Columbarium naming is underway as is the redevelopment project slotted for the spring.

Water and sewer projects for the two bridged railway crossings will be going out to tender again.

High school students have approached Council about starting a Youth Council and using the vacant lot behind Subway as a park.

**ADJOURNMENT**

9:55 PM

**It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM.

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Chair

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Recording Secretary

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_