Minutes
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting

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Date: Monday, June 20, 2016
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Council Chambers, Municipal Hall

Committee Members: Councillor Owen Dickie
Councillor Blair Ireland
Amanda Armstrong
Susan Bauhart, Chair
Deb Butler
Elisabeth Dahnert
Mike Hazen
Rob Robertson

Staff: Greg Buchholz, Director of Infrastructure Services
Julia Ambrozy, Recording Secretary

Absent: Councillor Rob Geier
Russ Bentley

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

1) Adoption of Agenda for June 20, 2016

That the Parks and Recreation Committee Agenda of June 20, 2016 be adopted with the following addition:
Add new item: Update on request for RDCO to acquire Spion Kop as a Regional Park before item 7) New Business;
And that the Agenda items be renumbered accordingly.
2) **Adoption of Minutes for April 18, 2016**

*It was moved and seconded*

_That the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2016 be adopted._

_Carried._

3) **Business Arising from Regular Council Meeting**

Nothing to report.

4) **Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update**

The consultants Sashta McCoy, Urban Systems and Henk Kampman, Thinkspace made a presentation on the Parks & Recreation Master Plan highlighting the following:

- The Committee revised the vision statement to state “Scenic lakes, Okanagan landscapes, and small-town character are the setting for Lake Country’s year-round recreation”
- Extensive public consultation identified the need for:
  - Indoor pool and fitness Facility
  - More drop-in programs for youth
  - Another sheet of ice
  - Safe routes for walking and biking routes
  - Improvement to lake access
  - More and improved recreational trails
- Indoor facilities annual operational & maintenance costs were reviewed
- Replacement cost and capital improvement costs for facilities were presented along with time line for implementation
- A map of the current inventory of parkland classifying the parks and open spaces identified deficiencies in some existing neighbourhoods
- The public park amenities requested by the public are natural playgrounds, skate parks, motor bike track, wayfinding signage, washrooms, pickleball courts and loops on parks
- Recommendations to acquire new parkland in strategic locations were presented
- Next steps are to develop strategic financial plan to look at costs and funding strategies and hold open houses in September to present recommendations and identify gaps.

The Director will ask Council for input on the communication plan to the public in terms of open houses. The consultant suggested on line surveys could be made available for the public to give their feedback after the open house.

The Director reported that the timeline for completion of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan will depend on the length of the public consultation but projects such as the skateboard park design, are already being advanced based on the Master Plan.
5) **Parks & Recreation Project Update**

The Director updated the Committee on the following Parks and Recreation projects:
- Grand opening for the for new playground at Pioneer Park at 11am on July 5\textsuperscript{th}
- Councillor Dickie reported it is the closest playground to the water in the Okanagan and is wheelchair accessible
- Swim rafts have been ordered for installation at Pebble Beach and 4\textsuperscript{th} street pending Transport Canada approvals
- The swim raft to be installed at the Oyama isthmus will require a foreshore lease from the Province
- Location of a new off-leash dog park is being determined because SD 23, the owners of the current location at Woodsdale Road, have given notice that the property is being sold.

6) **Tyndall Rd Parkland Update**

Plans for the park development on Tyndall Road have been temporarily put on hold while the developer continues to work on site drainage issues. The development of the waterside park will proceed once environmental approvals have been received.

7) **Update on Request for RDCO to acquire Spion Kop as Regional Park**

The Committee discussed the issue of RDCO acquiring Spion Kop as a regional park. The Chair suggested that securing Spion Kop as parkland should be captured in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

*It was moved and seconded*

**THAT, PARC recommends that Council request an update from RDCO on the status of RDCO acquiring Spion Kop as a regional park along with an explanation for its position on the priority list of potential park acquisitions.**

**Carried.**

8) **New Business**

None

9) **Next Meeting**

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, Oct 3\textsuperscript{rd} at 7pm at the Municipal Hall Council Chambers.
10) **Adjournment**

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

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Susan Bauhart, Chair

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Julia Ambrozy, Recording Secretary