

WHISTLER

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF RECREATION LEISURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, JULY 08, 2021, STARTING AT 3:00 P.M.

Remote Meeting
Held via Zoom

PRESENT	Mtgs. YTD (3)
Councilor, R. Forsyth	4
Member at Large, Chair, J. Chuback	4
Member at Large, A. Ross	4
Member at Large, K. Paterson	4
Member at Large, L. Harnish	3
Member at Large, C. MacKenzie	4
Member at Large, C. Kaipio	3
Whistler Sports Legacies representative, Co-Chair, R. Soane	4
Tourism Whistler representative, M. Kunza	4
Manager, Resort Parks Planning, RMOW, M. Pardoe	4
Recreation Manager, RMOW, R. Weetman	4
Parks Planner, Resort Parks Planning, RMOW, M. Hill	3
Recording Secretary, J. Wynott	1
Recording Secretary, O. Carroll	4
REGRETS	
Sea to Sky School District 48 representative, I. Currie	1
Member at Large, B. Calladine	3
Member at Large, T. Nepomuceno	2
Member at Large, D. Clark	3
Parks Planning Technician, Resort Parks Planning, RMOW, C. Eccles	2
GUESTS	
Planner, RMOW, T. Napier	
Director of Planning, RMOW, M. Kirkgaard	
Manager, Projects Planning, J. Chapman	
General Manager, Resort Experience, RMOW, J. Gresley-Jones	

Meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by C. MacKenzie
Seconded by L. Harnish

That Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee adopt the Regular Committee Agenda of July 8th, 2021.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by C. MacKenzie
Seconded by R. Forsyth

That Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee adopt the Regular Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee minutes of June 10th, 2021.

CARRIED

The committee wishes for the Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee Council member to highlight any important/relevant items to Council verbally during council meetings, in addition to council receiving minutes in the council meeting packages.

Minutes are approved at committee meetings and are then moved into council packages.

COUNCIL UPDATE

Council member Ralph Forsyth provided an update to the committee.

- Tuesday July 6th Council rescinded the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) Mask Policy to align with Public Health Authority.
- Council unanimously voted for the Pay Parking in Parks pilot project. Council is welcoming feedback on the project.
- Council approved the renaming of Squaw Valley Crescent in Creekside to Chamonix Crescent.

R. Forsyth left at 3:20 p.m.

K. Paterson joined at 3:32 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

4500 Northlands
Boulevard
Presentation

Tracy Napier, RMOW Planner gave a presentation regarding the rezoning process of the 4500 Northlands Boulevard site with the purpose of seeking input from the committee on the framework policy and the drafted guiding principles for the development. Tracy outlined a planning process of three phases, a policy framework and six draft guiding principles to inform site design and guide evaluation of design alternatives. These principles would create a framework for council to assess the rezoning proposal. The draft principles include 1. Balance resort and community needs, 2. Strengthen sense of place and social connections, 3. Provide diverse housing opportunities, 4. Enhance connectivity and mobility, 5. Accelerate climate action and address resource use, 6. Integrate and enhance nature.

Questions and Comments regarding the presentation:

Committee members voiced that they wanted to ensure the past commitment to the community during previous negotiations of the proposed space was still honored, and asked how that can be represented as a value during this process. The previous commitment was for an indoor recreational facility to the community. They also suggested that the language should be something that can be applied to various developments in the future not specific to one sport.

Staff responded that what was committed in the past and what the community needs are today will be considered in this process.
The Chair thanked the planning staff for the comprehensive presentation and the Committee looks forward to ongoing opportunities for engagement and updates.

That the Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee recommends that staff consider adding the concept of 'maintain, enhance and diversify sports and recreation opportunities' to the overall guiding principles for the 4500 Northlands Boulevard site planning process.

Moved by C. MacKenzie
Seconded by A. Ross

CARRIED

Lost Lake Nordic
Pass

J. Chapman, T. Napier, M. Kirkegaard left at 4:20 p.m.

J. Gresley-Jones left at 4:30 p.m.

Roger Weetman, Manager of Recreation for the RMOW provided a proposed fee structure update for youth Lost Lake Nordic ski passes, and asked for support for the changes from the committee. This recommendation helps to reduce the barriers to entry for youth accessing the sport of Nordic skiing, making it more affordable for participants and families.

That the Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee support the Lost Lake Nordic Youth ski pass pricing structure as presented.

Pool HVAC
Commissioning
Update

Moved by A. Ross
Seconded by C. MacKenzie

CARRIED

Roger Weetman provided an update on the Pool HVAC Commissioning occurring at Meadow Park Sports Centre. They have encountered some issues with various units including fans and compressors, however they believe they are in the process of resolving the issues.

Whistler Summer
Experience 2021
Interim Update

The annual facility maintenance shutdown will occur this year from August 28 – September 6. All building facilities will be closed and patrons will not be permitted access during this time.

Martin Pardoe, Manager of Parks Planning for the RMOW provided an update on the Whistler Summer Experience 2021. Focus included reviewing the Free Rainbow Park Shuttle Van, Bike Valet and Parks Pay Parking.

Questions and Comments regarding the presentation:

The committee asked about community feedback regarding pay park parking including support for and against, the request for a local's pass and a family pass. Staff explained there is very limited parking at the best of times, provision of a pass will not guarantee a parking spot, monitoring of free and pay parking locations is ongoing and will be used to evaluate the pilot pay parking initiative following the summer. Staff also explained that the pay parking revenue is funding new services not previously offered including the park shuttle van and secure and attended bike parking and gear storage at Lost Lake and Rainbow Parks. Longer term the ability to increase the number of parking spaces is not possible and alternative transportation methods (bike, shuttle, and walk on Valley Trail) must be adopted for the future sustainability of these spaces.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Discussion regarding meeting minutes and adoption occurred. The committee asked if there was an opportunity to adopt the meeting minutes outside of a meeting. Staff looked into this, and as per the Council Procedure Bylaw no. 2300, meeting minutes can only be adopted during committee meetings.
- A Valley Trail upgrades update was provided.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 9th at 3:00 p.m.

MOTION TO TERMINATE

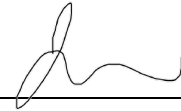
Moved by C. MacKenzie
Seconded by R. Sloane

That the Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee Meeting of July 8th, 2021 be terminated at 5:00 p.m.

CARRIED

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J. Chuback, Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Wynott", positioned above a horizontal line.

J. Wynott, Recording Secretary