

WHISTLER

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF RECREATION LEISURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2022, STARTING AT 4:00 P.M.

Remote Meeting

Held via Zoom – Link available at www.whistler.ca/rlac

PRESENT	Mtgs. YTD (8)
Councillor, R. Forsyth	7
Member at Large, Paul Street	7
Member at Large, C. MacKenzie	8
Member at Large, Chair, J. Chuback	7
Whistler Sports Legacies representative, Co-Chair, R. Soane	6
Member at Large, D. Titus	6
Member at Large, B. Goldsmid	5
Tourism Whistler representative, Karen Goodwin	4
Sea to Sky School District 48 representative, Cynthia Higgins	7
Manager, Resort Parks Planning, RMOW, M. Pardoe	7
Recreation Manager, RMOW, R. Weetman	7
Recording Secretary, RMOW, J. Wynott	8

REGRETS	
Member at Large, A. Ross	5
Member at Large, L. Scroggins	5

GUESTS	
Parks Planner, RMOW, A. Oja	

CALL TO ORDER

J. Chuback recognized The Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Lílwat People, known in their language as Lilwat7úl, and the Squamish People, known in their language as Skwxwú7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by R. Soane

Seconded by C. MacKenzie

That the Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee adopt the Regular Committee Agenda of Thursday, December 8, 2022 with the below addition:

- Snow clearing on the trail beside the skate park

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by D. Titus
Seconded by P. Street

That the Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee adopt the Open Committee Minutes of Thursday, November 17, 2022, as circulated.

CARRIED

R. Weetman entered at 4:03 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

NEUP
Recommendation

The Committee passed the following NEUP Recommendation.

That RLAC supports the formalization and continuation of a Non-exclusive Use Permit (NEUP) for municipal parks and trails with the following primary objectives and benefits in order to improve management of municipal assets through;

- collection of accurate information on who is using our parks, trails, and when;
- balancing use in popular areas to reduce likelihood of negative outcomes (user congestion, conflict, onerous site maintenance and repair requirements) decreasing congestion in high profile areas (balancing use)
- ensuring that businesses have sufficient liability insurance & business licences, and;
- ongoing monitoring of business accountability with municipal objectives.

CARRIED

The Committee discussed that revenue is not a primary objective for this program, however the program is currently operating on a cost neutral basis when evaluating revenue vs. staff time.

R. Forsyth entered at 4:05 p.m.

Council Update

Councillor R. Forsyth provided the following update:

- Council signed a 60 year lease with the Museum. This helps the Museum secure funding and make long term plans such as building renovations, which will take up a small portion of Florence Peterson Park.

The Committee discussed the Museum building history and opportunities to connect to other existing buildings to provide more effective visitor flow.

- The budget Open House was well attended and the proposed tax increase was discussed. The proposed tax increase will help build required municipal reserves.
- The Fee for Service agreements were adopted where local service providers receive funds to operate.
- Councillor R. Forsyth receives lots of communication regarding vehicle and pedestrian lighting that is malfunctioning. Council has requested a presentation from staff to explain lighting throughout the municipality and how the public can report malfunctions.

Meadow Park
Redevelopment
Project

A presentation by A. Oja was given regarding the Meadow Park Redevelopment Project and a discussion was held.

A.Oja reviewed the 2019 Outside Voice survey and engagement responses, and what the municipality heard from the community during that process. She reviewed the draft schematic plan that came from those responses. The plan includes features such as a new off-leash dog area, better water access, VT location moved for more picnic spaces, a separated play area from the VT, larger and new splash area, the addition of teen zones and a removable baseball fence.

The Committee discussed the schematic design. Discussion occurred around the proposed Teen area including lighting the area, ideas to increase space use and how to reduce undesirable behavior. They discussed the possibility of having a revenue generator such as a covered space for birthday parties or corporate sponsorship.

The timeline includes releasing the schematic plan to the community approximately on January 23 with two components; an online survey and pop up display engagement. The goal is construction will start April 2024. This project is 100% RMI funded.

The Committee felt this is an overall improvement to the space and liked the draft schematic plans.

D. Titus left at 4:48 p.m.

A.Oja left at 4:50 p.m.

Committee of Council
Program Review

R. Forsyth discussed his role on the Governance and Ethics Committee, and provided an overview of the Committee Review. This review is of all Committees in the Municipality, and to determine how they can be more effective. R. Forsyth reiterated the value Committees provide as a primary community engagement tool and advisors to Council.

The Committee discussed the role of RLAC as an advisory Committee, and not as decision makers. They discussed the value provided to the RMOW and potential ways to increase youth engagement.

M. Pardoe discussed the value RLAC provides as well as the staff time Committees take from an internal standpoint.

The Committee was encouraged to complete the Committee survey circulating asking for feedback.

OTHER BUSINESS

Snow Clearing on
Trail by Skate Park

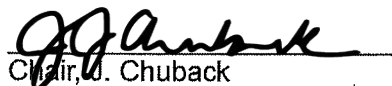
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MOTION TO TERMINATE

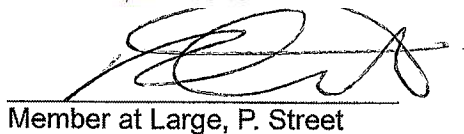
Moved by Roger Soane
Seconded by Craig MacKenzie

That the Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee meeting of Thursday, December 8, 2022 be terminated at 5:20 p.m.

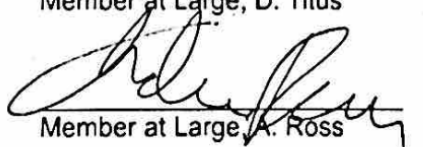
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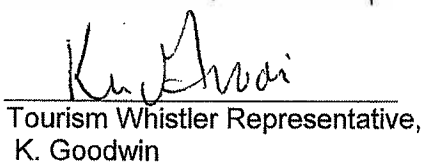

Chair, J. Chuback

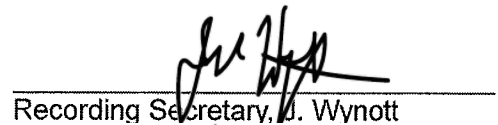

Co-Chair, R. Soane

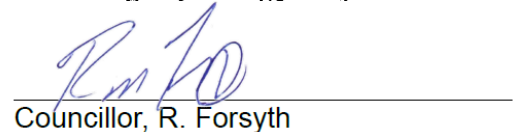

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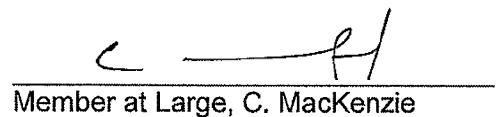

Member at Large, D. Titus


Member at Large, A. Ross

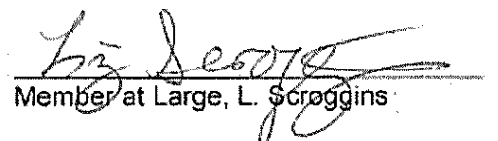

Tourism Whistler Representative,
K. Goodwin

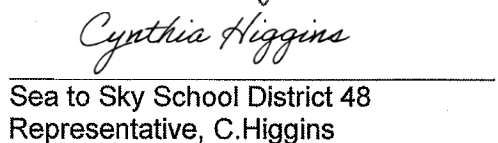

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