



# WHISTLER

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF RECREATION LEISURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2019, STARTING AT 4 P.M.

In the Flute Room

4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

#### PRESENT:

Manager, Resort Parks Planning, RMOW, M. Pardoe  
Recreation Manager, RMOW, R. Weetman  
Member at Large, Chair, J. Chuback (remote)  
Member at Large, Co-Chair, R. Soane  
Member at Large, M. Lunn  
Member at Large, D. Clark  
Member at Large, D. Ziff  
Member at Large, A. Ross  
Tourism Whistler representative, M. Kunza  
Councillor, Ralph Forsyth  
Sea to Sky School District 48 representative, I. Currie  
Recording Secretary, RMOW, M. Talaro

#### REGRETS:

Parks Planner, RMOW, A. Oja  
Member at Large, L. Harnish  
Member at Large, K. Paterson

Meeting called to order at 4:02 pm

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Andrew Ross  
Seconded by Dave Clark

**That** Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee adopt the regular Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee agenda of February 14, 2019.

CARRIED

#### ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Diane Ziff  
Second by Andrew Ross

**That** Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee adopt the Regular Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee minutes of December 13, 2018.

CARRIED

## PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Review of feedback and edits to current version shown to group. Committee motions to recommend updated version to Council.

**That** Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee recommend the updated Terms of Reference be brought to the February 26 Council meeting for approval.

RLAC Terms of Reference

Moved by Murray Lunn  
Second by Dave Clark

CARRIED

Draft policy directions were presented and discussed. Include permitting class 1 ebikes on valley trails and all mountain bike trails with the exception of above the Flank Trail, Emerald Forest Conservation Area and other sensitive trails as identified through other effort. All class 2 and 3 e-bikes will be prohibited on the valley trails except in motorized areas (i.e. FSR's). Adaptive eMTBs permitted but must have 3-4 wheels, hand cranks, etc. (RSTBC policy) and clarify use area(s) for aMTBs.

Question: When it rains will trails be closed to Ebikes?

Answer: Ebikes are heavier, but common sense will apply. No desire for closures at this time.

E-bike Policy

Question: How does it affect the walking population?

Answer: As a trail user, you ride in the environment you are in. Move to the road if you want to ride faster.

Question: Will signage be needed on trails?

Answer: Recommended not to enforce speed limits on trails. Will think about messaging going forward.

Question: Are motorized skateboards prohibited?

Answer: Proposing to prohibit them on the valley trails. Prevention in the event of an incident.

Review and feedback of work in progress operational, booking guidelines and user fees.

A V Janyk Sports Field

Question: Will the gates be closed during certain times of the day?

Answer: Due to man power issues, the gates will remain open at all times.

Question: Permitted uses? Will it be reviewed when new users want access?

Answer: Yes, it will.

Question: Metal spikes? Are soccer cleats ok?

Answer: Soccer cleats are acceptable.

Before the field is user ready, safety impact testing need to be conducted, installing 50% of the fence, home and away bench areas and shelters need to be constructed and grading, seeding and trees to be planted.

Question: Warm-up field, what stage is that in?

Answer: The RMOW is not involved in the warm up field. In the design and construction of the main field, space was protected for a possible future warm up field and a 100m x 4 lane running sprint track. Whistler Youth Soccer Club has said that they fundraise for the warm-up field. A full 400m track is not possible given the nature of the landfill's membrane below the surface.

Moved by Roger Soane

Seconded by Ralph Forsyth

**That** Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee recommend staff ask Council that the warm-up field be funded by the RMOW and be paid back by the soccer club at a later date.

Carried

Draft user fees were presented and discussed. They include a range of hourly cost options from:

**Local:**

- Youth Registered Non Profit/Charity/School - \$10/hour
- Youth Private - \$20
- Youth Commercial - \$40
- Adult Registered Non Profit/Charity/School - \$35
- Adult Private - \$70
- Adult Commercial - \$85

**Out of Town:**

- Youth Registered Non Profit/Charity/School - \$20/hour
- Youth Private - \$40
- Youth Commercial - \$60
- Adult Registered Non Profit/Charity/School - \$45
- Adult Private - \$85
- Adult Commercial - \$100

Fees are less than lower mainland averages and comparable to similar municipal facilities in the Sea to Sky Corridor. Revenue to be generated was part of the expectation when the field was built to help with maintenance costs. It is likely that a larger review of all municipal sport fields user fields will occur in 2019 and that all fees may increase for 2020.

Question: \$10 for only soccer?

Answer: \$10/hour any local youth registered charity, non profit or school.

Question: What would be the booking parameters?

Answer: Priority system, own programs, local community groups, local commercial groups, out-of-town groups. Should there be over demand for select times then may look at a peak user fee rate, similar to what the District of Squamish has.

Question: Is there a cost recovery goal?

Answer: No, not at this time.

Moved by Ralph Forsyth  
Seconded by Andrew Ross

**That** Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee support the user fees as presented other than consideration to increase the Adult Commercial Local and Out of town rates above what was presented.

Discussion – Consider increasing the Adult Commercial Local and Out of Town rate increases to help offset youth fees and keep it affordable. How does the rate compare to North Van and Squamish? Quest is a flat rate of \$100. It should be a community project, the idea behind building the field in the first place.

Carried

## OTHER BUSINESS

4500 Northlands Blvd  
Section 215  
Covenant Tennis  
Court Obligations

Discussion of the clause “Discharge of Grantor’s Obligations” in the Section 215 Covenant as it pertains to the tennis courts at 4500 Northlands Blvd.

Question: Did the owners build 4 outdoor courts?

Answer: No, it is a clause if the owner in its discretion terminates its obligation to make the tennis courts available for public play. Under the Agreement the owner must either build or pay cash in lieu for construction of four public outdoor tennis courts on land provided by the municipality.

Future Topics

Park Master Plan; 2019/20 Potential Valley Trail Projects; 2019-2023 Five Year Financial Plan; Facilities Tour.

Ski Callaghan would like to change the Extra Early Bird pass sale date to be offered in the Spring versus the fall. Suggestion of mid-March to mid-April then Early Bird would be from April until Fall. Suggestion of creating a down payment option, as pass wouldn’t be used for seven months.

Facility tour – MPSC (cardio expansion location), Passivhaus, Spruce Grove, location of new washrooms at Passivhaus.

Feedback on washroom budget? Passivhaus, Bus loop, Plaza, looking at approximately \$3 million dollars.

**NEXT MEETING**

March 14 next meeting at 4 p.m.

**TERMINATION**

Moved by Andrew Ross  
Second by Dave Clark

**That** Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee terminated the February 14, 2019  
Recreation Leisure Advisory Committee meeting at 5:03 p.m.

CARRIED

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Chair, J. Chuback

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Recording Secretary, M. Talaro