Township of Langley
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RECREATION, CULTURE, AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 8, 2023 at 7:00pm
Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338-65 Avenue, Langley, BC

MINUTES

Present:
Mayor E. Woodward

D. Kang (Committee Co-Chair)
Councillor T. Baillie (Council Co-Chair)
Councillor M. vanPopta (Council Co-Chair)

G. Abreo, S Cook, C. Grey, R. Jhaj, J. Loewen, T. Taylor, and R. Thandi

Staff:
R. Stare, Acting Director, Recreation
K. Stepto, Recording Secretary

Election
S. Cook nominated D. Kang to be the Community Co-Chair for 2023.
R. Thandi seconded the nomination.

D. Kang was elected Community Co-Chair for 2023, by acclamation, and assumed the position of Co-Chair.

A. APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

1. Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee – March 8, 2023

Moved by T. Taylor,
Seconded by J. Loewen,
That the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee approve the agenda and receive the agenda items of the March 8, 2023 meeting, as amended.
CARRIED

Clerk's Note: Item C.1 was added to the agenda.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee – February 8, 2023

Moved by R. Jhaj,
Seconded by C. Grey,

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

That the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the February 8, 2023 meeting, as amended.
CARRIED

2. Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee Closed Meeting – February 8, 2023

Moved by J. Loewen,
Seconded by G. Abreo,
That the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee adopt the Minutes of the February 8, 2023 Closed meeting.
CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. ACUCC Firefighters vs. RCMP Water Battle

T. Taylor provided a presentation regarding a proposed Water Battle Community Event at the ACUCC in the summer. He suggested that this be an annual event to promote the connection between first responders, recreation services, and Township residents. The event will span over 5-6 hours between two swims, each targeting different audiences. The first swim will be family-oriented with access to police and fire vehicles in the parking lot, photo ops, and a leisurely water fight in the Breaker Bay and/or the Big Top water feature. The second swim will be geared toward youth, focusing on a battle in the Big Top and field zones. This swim will also expose youth to the various employment opportunities with the Township and create a positive relationship between youth and our emergencies services.

Project goals are:

1. Provide a wholesome community event incorporating emergency services.
2. To showcase our recreation and emergency services to Township families and youth in our community.
3. To target youth and young adults for occupational positions within the township (i.e., Recreation, Fire and Police services).

Event requirements include:

1. RCMP and Fire representatives;
2. Adequate staffing and volunteers;
3. Community representation;
4. Community outreach;
5. Adequate parking; and
6. A specific event timeline.

Discussion ensued and the following comments/questions were provided:

- Will liability be a concern?
- Can food trucks be brought in?

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Will sporting organizations in the community be invited to have a tent to promote their groups?
- Will this be a pre-sale event only?
- Could there be a perception of wasting water if we have water restrictions at that time?
- Will mud and dirt be tracked into the pool?
- How will participation be monitored? Wrist bands? Hand stamp?
- Will there be enough First Responders available to come to this event?
- Will those not interested in being in the water fight still be engaged somehow?

Action: R. Thandi and J. Loewen volunteered to meet with T. Taylor to flush out more details and report back at the next meeting.

D. REPORTS

1. Co-Chairperson's Report

D. Kang thanked the committee for the nomination to be Co-Chair.

E. CORRESPONDENCE

F. WORK PROGRAM

1. Draft 2023 Work Program

The Advisory Committee reviewed the draft 2023 Work Program.

MOTION
Moved by T. Taylor,
Seconded J. Loewen,
That the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee endorse the 2023 Work Plan, with the addition of three topics:

1. Potential Firefighters vs. RCMP Water Battle at ACUCC
2. TOL 150 Celebrations Update
3. Canadian Premier League Update

CARRIED

COUNCIL
Moved by D. Kang,
Seconded by S. Cook.
That the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee recommends that Council approve the Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee 2023 Work Plan, presented as Attachment A.
CARRIED

F. WORK PROGRAM

2. BCRPA Conference

Staff noted that it was possible to send two delegates from the committee to the BCRPA Conference taking place May 3-5, 2023 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Vancouver. A. Bayona and S. Cook will attend the conference and provide a report to the committee.

G. COUNCIL REFERRALS

H. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. RCPAC Photo

A photo was taken of the committee for the Township website.

I. NEXT MEETING

Date: April 12, 2023
Location: Salmon River Committee Room
4th Floor, 20338-65 Avenue, Langley, BC
Time: 7:00 pm

J. TERMINATE

Moved by C. Grey,
Seconded by R. Jhaj,
That the meeting terminate at 8:16pm.
CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Community Representative Co-Chair

Council Representative Co-Chair

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Attachment A

A Action Required
D Delegation
P Presentation
R Report
R/F Review / Feedback
U Staff/Rep Update

Recreation, Culture, and Parks Advisory Committee 2023 Work Program

General Committee Work

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Sept	Oct	Nov
Orientation		P							
Election of Community Co-Chair			A						
2022 Final Report		A							
Work Program *Approve and appoint liaison roles*		R&F A							
Conferences *BCRPA 2023 annual conference. Selection of 1 member to attend and to provide report to committee.*			R/F	A	U				
Fees and Charges *Staff update re: 2023/2024 fees and charges*				U					

Projects, Programs and Events

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Sept	Oct	Nov
Youth Programs and Services *Youth week, first week in May*				P R/F					
Seniors Programs and Services *Seniors week, second week in June*					P R/F				
Adult Programs and Services							P R/F		
Parks Tour						P			
Canada Day Events					U		U		
Public Art					U				
Cultural Programs									P U
Library Services *FVRL annual update*								P U	
Langley Walk *First Sunday in May*				U					
Salishan Place Update						U			
Firefighters vs. RCMP Water Battle				U	U				
Township 150 Celebrations				U	U				
Canadian Premier League					U				

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Attachment A

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Annual Task Forces

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Sept	Oct	Nov
Langley Awards *Pete Swensson Outstanding Community Youth* *Eric Flowerdew Volunteer of the Year* *John & Muriel Arnason Volunteers of the Year* ***Selection Task Force*** *Staff: C. Naples* *Committee Representatives: S. Cook and C. Grey*		A	U	U					

Community Liaisons

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Sept	Oct	Nov
ADHOC Groups *Appointment of representatives and subsequent updates* ***Langley Outdoor Sports Advisory Group (LOSAG)*** *Staff: T. Bucker* *Committee Representative: G. Abreo*		A							
Museum Advisory Group *Appointment of representatives and subsequent updates* *Staff: R.Schmidt* *Committee Representative: A. Bayona*		A						U	R/F A

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