



**POINT PLEASANT PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
January 28, 2021**

PRESENT: Brian MacDonald, Chair
Susan Summerby-Murray, Vice Chair
Councillor Wayne Mason
Stephanie Gustys
Erin Allen
Jake Dambergs
Janet Dyson
Natasha Warren

REGRETS: Alex Smith

STAFF: Stephen Rice, Supervisor Major Parks, West Parks
Alana Tapper, Superintendent Park West
Haruka Aoyama, Legislative Assistant
Liam Power, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m. and the Committee adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

1.2 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Liam Power, Legislative Assistant called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

MOVED by Jake Dambergs, seconded by Susan Summerby-Murray

THAT Brian MacDonald be nominated as Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The Legislative Assistant called three times for further nominations for the position of Chair; there were none

MOVED by Susan Summerby-Murray, seconded by Janet Dyson

THAT nominations for the position of Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Brian MacDonald was acclaimed as Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

MOVED by Jake Dambergs, seconded by Stephanie Gustys

THAT Susan Summerby-Murray be nominated as Vice Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The Chair called three times for further nominations for the position of Vice Chair; there were none.

MOVED by Jake Dambergs, seconded by Stephanie Gustys

THAT nominations for the position of Vice Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Susan Summerby-Murray was acclaimed as Vice Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 5, 2020

MOVED by Natasha Warren, seconded by Susan Summerby-Murray

THAT the minutes of March 5, 2020 be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

MOVED by Jake Damberg, seconded by Susan Summerby-Murray

THAT the order of business be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence

The Legislative Assistant noted that correspondence was received from David Keefe, Matt Kervin and Jeremy Keyes and circulated to the members.

7.2 Petitions – NONE

7.3 Presentations

7.3.1 Lulu's Eatery – Kanzi Hegazi

Kanzi Hegazi gave an overview of their proposal of Lulu's Eatery in Point Pleasant Park. Lulu's Eatery aims to strengthen the community ties with focus on sustainability to improve overall park experiences. Lulu's Eatery aims for zero waste, promoting environmental recycling system, and integrating local and global culture and flavour, improved accessibility, diversity and inclusivity.

A copy of the presentation is on file.

Alana Tapper, Superintendent Park West provided an overview on food tuck permit in the park and indicated that a staff will bring back more information on planning, by-law and historical information related on food vendors (trucks) in the park area to a next Committee meeting.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Point Pleasant Park Operations Update

The following was before the Committee:

- Point Pleasant Park Operations Update memorandum, dated January 28, 2021

Stephen Rice, Supervisor Major Parks, West Parks, provided an update on operations of the Point Pleasant Park by referring to a memorandum circulated to the Committee with special focus on safe walking surface (roads & streets), impacts of the COVID-19 on staff/student numbers dedicated for park management, garbage & litter, trees and benches repairing. A project included forestry thinning with two third of its work completed (over 10 hectares completed). Upon approval of the 2021 budget, the municipality will proceed with tree thinning program. Plan for 2021 summer is washroom strategy.

In response to a question from the Committee, Steven Rice indicated that when it comes to garbage in the park, traffic in the parking lot might impact the workload of garbage collection staff as while parking lot

users are responsible for their own garbage, their use of garbage cans impact amount of garbage thrown into garbage cans in the park.

9.1.2 Proposed 2021 Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule

The following was before the Committee:

- A staff report dated January 5, 2021

MOVED by Susan Summerby-Murray, seconded by Jake Dambergs

THAT Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee approve the proposed 2021 Meeting Schedule as outlined in the Attachment 1 of the staff report dated January 5, 2021.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10. UPDATES FROM THE COMMITTEE

10.1 Discussion on park usage signage and compliance

A staff explained that they are working with a communication team to provide a pdf version of how park usage signage looks like. A staff will be bringing the Committee with inventory to seek their input, feedback and for their review to include in the operational document. In 2021, a focus is on information signage, and in following years, a focus will be on dogs on leash/dogs off leash signage.

Councillor Mason joined a meeting at 5:30 p.m.

11. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – March 4, 2021

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Haruka Aoyama
Legislative Assistant