



**POINT PLEASANT PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MARCH 3, 2022**

PRESENT: Jake Dambergs, Chair
Karlyn O'Hanley, Vice Chair
Natasha Warren
Alex Smith
Councillor Waye Mason
Brian MacDonald
Harpreet Singh
Sandra Nowlan

REGRETS: Erin Allen

STAFF: Steve Rice, Supervisor, Major Parks West
Jill McGillicuddy, Legislative Assistant
Alicia Wall, Legislative Support

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The meeting was called to order at 4:39 p.m., and the Committee adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:39 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

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

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Brian MacDonald

THAT Karlyn O'Hanley be nominated for the position of Vice Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The Chair called three times for any further nominations.

MOVED by Sandra Nowlan, seconded by Brian MacDonald

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

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

There being no additional nominations, Karlyn O'Hanley was declared Vice Chair of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 25, 2021

MOVED by Natasha Warren, seconded by Alex Smith

THAT the minutes of November 25, 2021 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Brian MacDonald, seconded by Sandra Nowlan

THAT the agenda 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 – November 25, 2021

6.1 Discussion re: Utilization of the Point Pleasant Park’s Display Case to Illustrate Indigenous Usage of the Area Pre and Post Contact

Cheryl Copage-Gehue, Advisor, Indigenous Community Engagement, Diversity & Inclusion spoke on the importance of engaging the Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre in developing a plan forward, to which the Committee agreed.

Copage-Gehue and Tracey Jones-Grant, Managing Director, Diversity & Inclusion responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

Jake Dambergs stepped down from the Chair and Karlyn O’Hanley assumed the Chair.

6.2 Discussion re: Open Fires in Point Pleasant Park

Steve Rice, Supervisor, Major Parks West advised that if someone sees an active fire, they should call 911, and noted there is signage indicating fires are not allowed in the Park. Rice responded to questions of clarification.

Members commented that signage was not working and the need for more enforcement and fire prevention.

Chris Poole, Supervisor, Horticulture (East) responded to questions of clarification from the Committee indicating 311 can be called to report clean up sites in the Park.

Jake Dambergs assumed the Chair.

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence – None

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentation – None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Point Pleasant Park Operations Update

Steve Rice, Supervisor, Major Parks West provided the following updates and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee:

- The stonewall in the Tower Road parking lot has been removed and the cable and post will be put back in this spring.
- Culverts will be installed on Prince of Wales Drive to redirect water.
- Signage will be updated.
- Stonewall repairs are being done in phases.
- Forest management work is ongoing, and thinning is being done in sections.

9.1.2 Discussion on the Park’s kiosks

Steve Rice, Supervisor, Major Parks West advised that the kiosks were rotten and needed to be replaced. Staff propose removing the kiosks and replacing them with park maps, to which the Committee agreed.

9.1.3 Discussion on dedication benches to the Park

Steve Rice, Supervisor, Major Parks West advised that the old green benches need to be replaced. Staff are looking at adding Point Pleasant Park to the Civic Gifts for Parks Program wherein members of the public can donate memorial benches. The ornamental back benches being used in parts of the Park are being proposed.

Rice and Chris Poole, Supervisor, Horticulture (East) responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

The Committee was supportive of adding the Park to the program and the type of bench being proposed. It was noted that the location of memorial benches should be accessible, and that Sailor's Memorial Way would be a good location for them.

9.1.4 Proposed 2022 Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule

The following was before the Committee:

- 2022 Proposed Meeting Schedule

MOVED by Brian MacDonald, seconded by Sandra Nowlan

THAT the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee approved the proposed 2022 meeting schedule as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9. COMMITTEE MEMBERS – NONE

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – May 5, 2022

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Alicia Wall
Legislative Support