



# TOWN OF VIEW ROYAL

## MINUTES OF THE PARKS, RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ELECTRONICALLY ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

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**PRESENT:** R. Bickel  
I. Brown  
L. Jeurond  
E. Kuiack  
J. Snyder  
Councillor McKenzie, Council Liaison

**REGRETS:** Councillor Kowalewich, Council Liaison

**ALSO PRESENT:** I. Leung, Director of Engineering  
L. Taylor, Director of Development Services  
J. Paterson, Recording Secretary  
  
0 members of the public  
0 members of the press

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – the Chair called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOVED BY: J. Snyder  
SECONDED: E. Kuiack

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

3. **MINUTES, RECEIPT & ADOPTION OF**

a) Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Environment Advisory Committee meeting held May 23, 2023

MOVED BY: E. Kuiack  
SECONDED: R. Bickel

THAT the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Environment Advisory Committee meeting held May 23, 2023 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

4. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

5. **PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

a) **Nursery Hill Drive Playground Request**

The Committee discussed the possibility of installing a children's playground area and other uses at Garry Oak Meadows Park on Nursery Hill Drive specifically:

- installation of small dog run and picnic benches;
- protection of Garry Oak trees;
- playground meeting CSA standards;

- installation of retaining wall and fence due to slope of property;
- costs associated with maintenance;
- installation of pavilion or gazebo and fenced area; and
- neighbourhood engagement.

MOVED BY: J. Snyder  
SECONDED: L. Jeurond

PREAC-10-23 THAT the Committee recommend that Council request staff survey the Nursery Hill Drive community regarding interest for use of the open space area on the south side of Garry Oak Meadows Park;

AND THAT the Parks, Recreation and Environment Advisory Committee help with the neighbourhood engagement.

**CARRIED**

## **7. REPORTS**

### **7.1 STAFF REPORTS**

### **7.2 COUNCIL REPORTS**

a) Minutes of the Council meetings held May 16, 2023 to July 18, 2023

MOVED BY: J. Snyder  
SECONDED: E. Kuiak

THAT the minutes of the Council meetings held May 16, 2023 to July 18, 2023 be received.

**CARRIED**

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a) Clarification of “In Stream Projects” for Proposed Building Bylaw No. 1111, 2023**

The Committee discussed the proposed Building Bylaw No. 1111, specifically:

- timing of building permit applications in relation to Zero Carbon Step Code Level 4 compliance;
- development permits meeting requirements for building permits; and
- bylaw going forward to Council in October for adoption.

### **b) Prohibiting Renewable Natural Gas**

The Committee discussed prohibiting renewable natural gas as a heating and cooking source in new buildings.

MOVED BY: I. Brown  
SECONDED: L. Jeurond

PREAC-11-23 THAT the Committee recommend to Council that, in addition to the other requirements already listed in draft Building Bylaw No. 1111, 2023, the Town not permit renewable natural gas (RNG) as an alternative energy source to meet the Zero Carbon Step Code level 4.

**CARRIED**

**c) Strengthening Tree Protection Bylaw in New Developments**

The Committee discussed the Town's Tree Protection Bylaw, specifically:

- expanding the focus of the bylaw to include greenspace between buildings;
- building setbacks;
- ability of a variety of trees providing shade;
- terms of reference;
- restricting intensity of construction blasting; and
- improved shoring methods.

The Director of Engineering noted the Urban Forest Strategy will be established with consultation from the Parks, Recreation & Environment Advisory Committee.

**10. CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTION**

**11. TERMINATION**

MOVED BY: I. Brown  
SECONDED: J. Snyder

THAT this meeting now terminate at 8:29 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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CHAIR

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RECORDING SECRETARY