

MINUTES of a meeting of ESTIMATES COMMITTEE of the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the District of Oak Bay, held in the Council Chambers, Oak Bay Municipal Hall, 2167 Oak Bay Avenue, Oak Bay, B.C., on Wednesday March 30, 2011.

PRESENT: Chairman N. B. Jensen
Councillor H. Braithwaite
Councillor A. R. Cassidy
Councillor P. Copley
Councillor J. Herbert
Councillor T. Ney

STAFF: Municipal Administrator, M. Brennan
Municipal Treasurer, P. Walker
Director, Parks and Recreation, L. Curtis
Manager, Recreation Program Services, J. Barclay
Manager, Administrative Services, G. Brown
Manager, Parks Services, L. Middleton
Executive Assistant / Human Resources, M. Krieger

PARKS &
RECREATION
COMMISSION: Drew Henderson
Monty Holding
Victor Lotto
Rick Marshall
Sandy Piercy
Brian Sharp
Brian Yellin

Chairman Jensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Jensen thanked the members of the Parks and Recreation Commission for all their time and effort. He commented that the municipality would not be the same without their contribution.

2011 Parks and Recreation Budget

The Director of Parks and Recreation noted that in 2010 the Parks and Recreation net operating expenditure was 3.91% below the approved budget. In 2011 the net operating budget request is for \$3,299,165, which is .99% less than the 2010 approved budget. Ms. Curtis then gave a general overview of the 2011 operating and capital budgets, answering questions from Committee members on individual items.

The Manager of Parks Services commented that staff is looking at using more native and drought resistant plants. Mr. Middleton also commented that the fees for tree permits are in line with the fees charged in other municipalities.

During the discussion of the capital budget explanations were given for the irrigation project, the Gyro Park washroom refurbishment, and the replacement of the thermastors. It was commented that if the Neighbourhood Learning Centre project proceeds then the resurfacing of the Carnarvon Park tennis courts will not be necessary.

The Director of Parks and Recreation thanked Janet Barclay, Grant Brown and Lorne Middleton for putting the 2011 budget together.

Chairman Jensen thanked Parks and Recreation staff and the Commission for their work.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED by Councillor Braithwaite
Seconded by Councillor Herbert, That the Estimates Committee meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Certified Correct

D/Municipal Clerk

Chairman