

**Minutes of the Parks, Recreation & Culture Advisory Committee
Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at 7:00pm**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tim Richards, Chair
Bruce Mason

Gord Horth
Tara Pollock

STAFF PRESENT:

Clayton Postings

REGRETS:

Councillor Duck Paterson

Tim Godau

COMMITTEE REVIEW

Committee Members discussed communication, including timely agendas, monthly PRC updates and minutes containing more information. Staff will endeavor to provide this information.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Holland Creek Crossing Review

Staff supplied copies of the staff report dated June 18, 2018, which included the comments from the joint meeting held June 7, 2018.

Committee members discussed the process leading up to the joint meeting on June 7, 2018 and expressed frustration over the lack of information sharing and communication prior to and after the meeting.

Staff reviewed the history of the area including the agreement between the Town of Ladysmith and the owner of the Holland Creek area property, which included a land-transfer with the assurance of a future Holland Creek crossing to enable the owner to develop the property.

Committee members appreciate that Council received their feedback and unfortunately Council was bound by a past Council-agreement regarding the agreement between the Town of Ladysmith and the owner of the Holland Creek area property. It was determined that this information needed to be supplied prior to the June 7, 2018 meeting and that moving forward with this development, the Town should begin disseminating this information to the public as soon as possible.

REFERRED BY COUNCIL

Ladysmith and District Arts Council – Recommendation for Town of Ladysmith First Poet Laureate

Moved and seconded

2018-19: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee supports this initiative and recommends that Council consider defining the terms and formalize a process to select the successful candidate.

NEW BUSINESS

LOT 108

Moved and seconded

2018-20: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee recommend that Council consider developing a plan for the enhancement and completion of Lot 108 sports complex that may be used in acquiring future grant funding.