

Minutes of the Parks, Recreation & Culture Advisory Committee  
Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 7:00pm

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Tim Richards, Chair  
Bruce Mason  
Councillor Duck Paterson

Gord Horth  
Tara Pollock

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Clayton Postings  
Robyn McAdam

**REGRETS:**

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**AGENDA**

*Moved and seconded:*

**2019-01: That Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee approve the agenda for the meeting as presented.**

*Motion carried.*

**MINUTES**

*Moved and seconded:*

**2019-02: That Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee approve the minutes of the November 21, 2018 meeting as presented.**

*Motion carried.*

**DELEGATION**

**Public Arts Strategy** – Lacey McRae Williams presented a draft copy of the Ladysmith Public Arts Strategy. The committee was impressed with the thoroughness of the report and the public engagement involved. The Committee will be able to provide feedback at the next Committee meeting. The final copy of the Public Arts Strategy will be presented to Council following the February PRCAC meeting.

**REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

**Tree Dedication Request** – Committee members discussed Staff Report to Council recommending that council authorize staff to proceed with the purchase of a Sequoia tree to be planted at Transfer Beach.

*Moved and seconded:*

**2019-03: That the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee supports this initiative and recommends that Council consider defining the tree and bench dedication process.**

**UPDATES**

**Arts & Culture Update –**

- The Kitchen and Bathroom reno is nearly complete at the Waterfront Art Gallery
- Due to storm damage, the January exhibit was cancelled and art was placed online instead
- LOVE literacy project is underway encouraging public to write a 'love poem' about Ladysmith. The poems will be printed and mounted in

various parks, trails, and businesses in Ladysmith and Stz'uminus from February 1<sup>st</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>.

- Spring Art Tour is coming up in April
- The Ladysmith Theater is presenting Terry Boyle – Irish Singalong pub night on St. Patricks Day.
- Theater is busy with 1-2 shows a day

**Parks, Recreation & Culture Update –**

- Update on storm damage from December – warming centre was open at the FJCC to assist those community members without power. The Machine Shop roof was damaged during the storm, causing some disruption for tenants. Many trees fell on the Holland Creek, Heart Lake, and Stocking Lake Trails during the storm.
- Council has approved the implementation of the Youth Strategy and staff has been instructed to apply for funding through the Community Grants program.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM**

**Next Meeting will be held at 7:00pm, February 20, 2019 at the Frank Jameson Community Centre.**