

Minutes of the Haines Park User Groups Meeting held electronically via Zoom video conference on Monday April 27, 2020.

Council Present:	Mayor:	Steve Morissette
	Councillors:	Vickie Fitzpatrick Lindsay Kenny Bert Kniss Bill Wenman
Staff Present:	Chief Administrative Officer:	Kelli Tuttle
	Public Works Foreman:	Jason Startup
User Groups Present:	BV Girls Fastball:	Tammy Gallamore
	BV Recreation:	Kelly Walker
	BV Baseball:	Nathan Tremblay
	BV Dynamic Aging Society:	Ingrid Hope
	BV May Days Society:	Randi Derald

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Morissette called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

The purpose of this meeting is to gather input from users of Haines Park into the parks current and future uses, the needs of users and future planning for park upgrades. Participants are asked to consider future upgrade potential which will encourage greater use of the park facility leading to attracting visitors to the Village and further sparking economic opportunities within the Village. Participants should also consider the park facilities in the context of the Former Middle School Development Project and future residential use. Suggestions will be sketched on the attached map and used to develop a long-range Haines Park planning model.

INTRODUCTIONS

The attendees of the meeting introduced themselves.

DISCUSSIONS

CAO Tuttle spoke to the Village of Fruitvale Assessments.

a. Storage

The Village of Fruitvale Zoning Bylaw 846, 2013 Section 8 defines the landscaping and screening requirements for shipping containers where permissible.

8.3 Refuse and Recycling Bins and Shipping Containers

8.3.2 All site refuse and recycling bins, including all other large receptacles used for the temporary storage of materials, and shipping containers where permitted, require opaque screening from adjacent lots and streets.

8.3.3 All screening will be a minimum of 2.0 m in height to a maximum height that is equivalent to the height of the refuse or recycling bin, or shipping container where permitted.

8.3.4 All sides open to public view shall be screened by the additional planting of shrub and groundcover material at least 1.5 m in height.

The Village must consider either:

1. Treatment to screen the existing storage container, or
2. Replace the existing storage container with an accessory structure.

The Village budget for storage facilities is \$21,000 and may include treating or replacing the existing shipping container or any combination.

b. Ballfield Enhancements

The current ball diamonds are not currently in a lay-out which supports regulation play using two adjacent diamonds. The 2020 plan is to reformat the lay out of the existing diamonds to meet regulation size.

The Village budget for ballfield enhancements is \$17,000.

c. Haines Park Cover Structure (beer garden structure)

To ensure the structural integrity of the existing structure, the Village will perform structural work on the existing cover or alternatively replace the structure. The Village budget for the cover structure is \$60,000.

ROUNDTABLE DISUSSIONS

a. Beaver Valley Girls Fastball

T. Gallamore, representing BV Girls Fastball spoke on moving the bases to allow room for walkways, seating and a spray park. Also discussed was a smaller field area for little kids baseball.

b. Beaver Valley Baseball

McInnis Park field needs weed control and upgrades to the infield. BV Baseball is putting in a scoreboard. The batting cage needs to be upgraded for safety. The grant is not enough money to do the needed upgrades which include:

- replacing the cement slab with mat,
- replacing the chain link fence; and
- replacing the netting on the top of the batting cage.

c. Beaver Valley Slow Pitch – did not attend

d. Beaver Valley Recreation

Kelly Walker from BV Recreation stated that the beer garden structure is used for the summer parks program, so she is happy to see it in the plans. The park is in need of weed control. The water park is a nice addition as currently the summer parks program uses a sprinkler.

e. Beaver Valley Dynamic Aging Society

Ingrid Hope from the BV Dynamic Aging Society commented that Haines Park is a gathering spot therefore the park requires an appealing aesthetic. The flow of the park needs to be considered. Food trucks are brought in and need to be connected to power. If the beer garden structure was on the opposite side of the park, there will need to be power and water there too. Park at the bottom. Road comes in from the alley. Walking paths throughout the park. Practise diamond alternative - change Haines ball diamond in other direction to open up concession area.

f. Beaver Valley May Days

Randi Derald from the BV May Days commented that higher fencing is needed around the ball diamonds. If the seacan is going to be screened, they would rather it be fencing instead of live screening as that would require irrigation and maintenance. If the kiddie cars are not going to be used anymore, maybe they could be donated or sold and the seacan storage would not be needed. She asked if the seacan could be placed at the Village Works yard. With respect to the concession building, it needs shelving installed, the paint on the floors is peeling and is hard to keep clean therefore a non-slip-type material should be applied to the floors, the stove and grill need cleaning and maintenance. They would like to see hard awnings installed over the concession windows to protect patrons and volunteers from fly balls. They agree with the beer garden structure being relocated to the other side of the park. More bleachers around the ball diamonds. They have lots of volunteers willing to help with construction.

g. Village of Fruitvale Council

Mayor Morissette commented that moving the seacan to the public works yard will limit access to it. Tables and chairs are in the north end of the building. The framed in office in the concession building that is currently used as a locked office for cash, etc. could be removed to gain more storage. A secured locked cupboard could be added in the concession for items that need to be locked up. The roof, fascia and soffits on the concession need replacing and sealing and all three structures need roofing. An irrigation plan is required.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:23 pm.

Mayor

Certified Correct:

Chief Administrative Officer